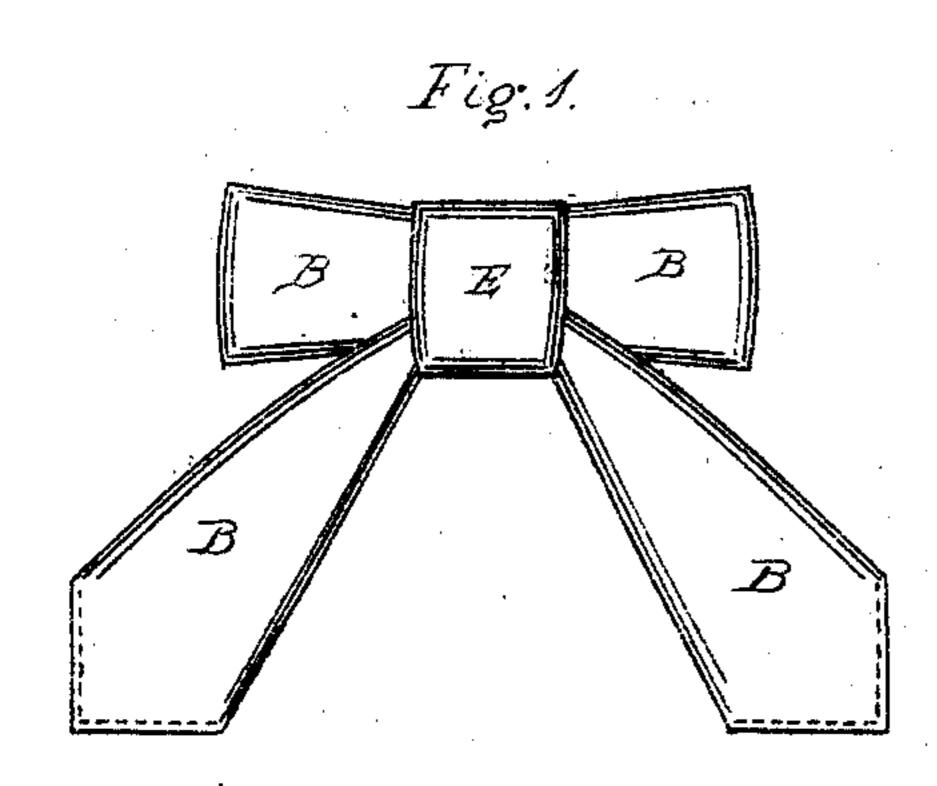
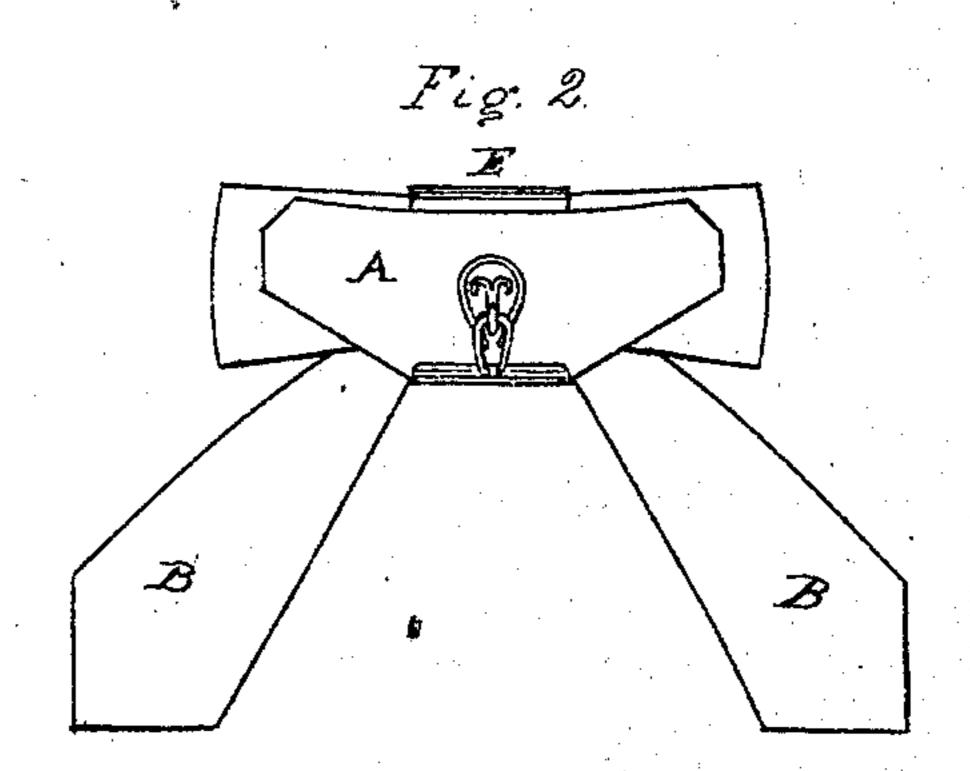
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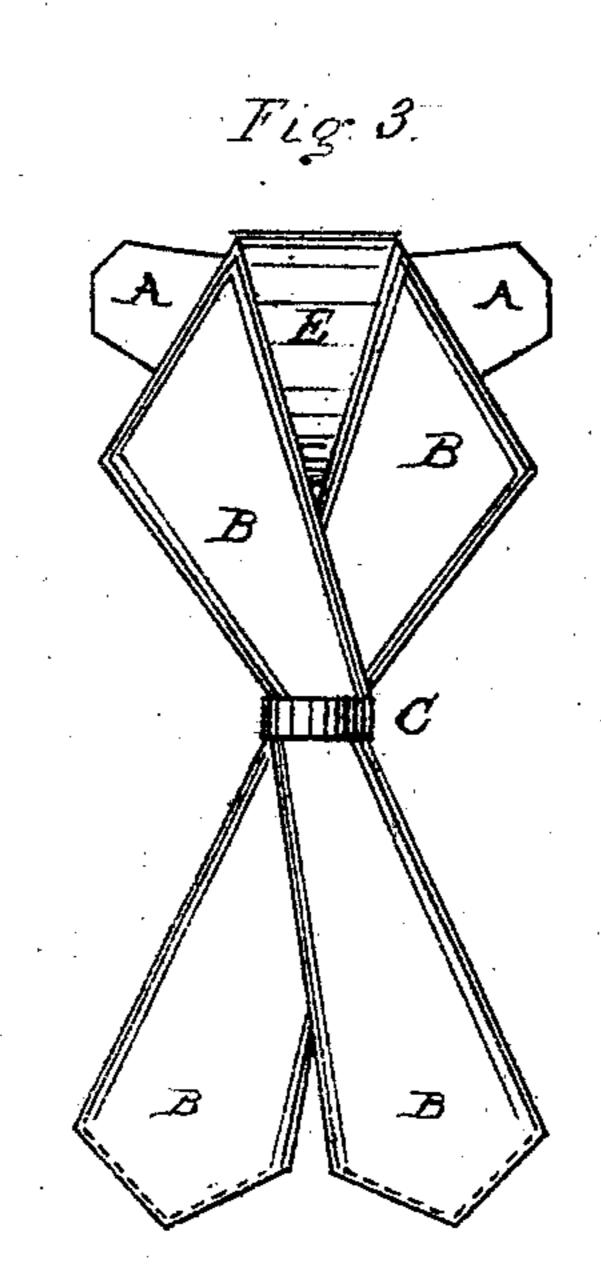
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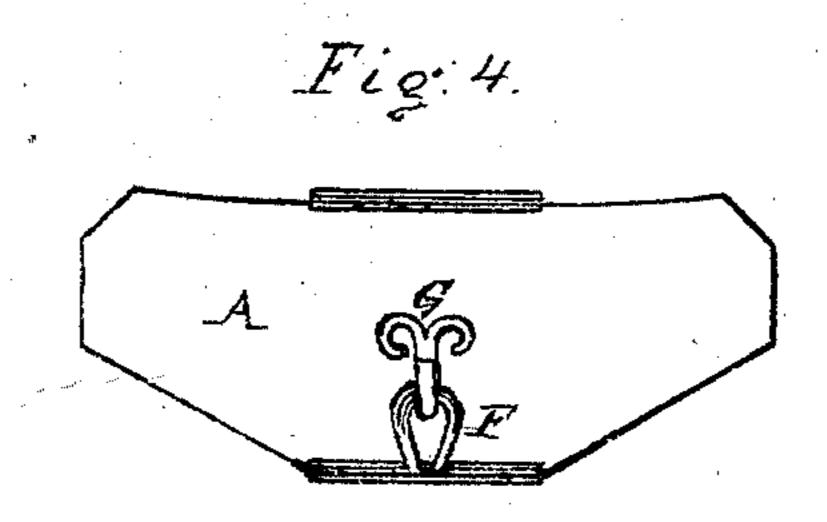
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IMPROVEMENT IN NECK-TIES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADOLPHUS HOFFSTADT, of the city of New York, in the county of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Neck-Ties; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of improved neck-tie when used as a bow; Fig. 2, a back view of the same; Fig. 3, a front view of the same when used as a scarf; and Fig. 4, a back view of the shield with the elastic loop for attaching the

same to the shirt removed.

The object of my invention is to make a necktie which can be used in the form of a common bow or as a scarf, according to the taste of the wearer.

In the accompanying drawing, A is the ordinary shield, to which the neck-tie is attached, and is provided with the usual elastic loop for fastening it to the shirt. B B are two flaps of silk, satin, or other suitable material, and form the body of the neck-tie. They are secured to the front of the shield and folded over so as to cross each other, and held by a ring or clasp, C. (See Fig. 3.) This clasp is movable up and down for the purpose of varying the set of the tie. E-is

a cross-piece, of the same material as the flaps, and is secured at one end to the upper portion of the shield, while to its other end is secured an elastic loop, F, which engages with a hook, G, on the back of the shield, and holds the crosspiece in place. To change the neck-tie from the bow-form, Fig. 1, to that of a scarf, it is only necessary to disengage the elastic loop from the hook, when the flaps B B are pulled down until they assume the shape shown in Fig. 3. The cross-piece is then inserted between the flaps above the clasp, and the loop fastened to the hook. To change back to a bow, the cross-piece is again released, the flaps pushed up until the clasp is about the center of the shield, and the cross-piece run between the ends of the flaps and fastened to the hook, when the neck-tie will again assume the shape of a bow, as seen in Fig. 1.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is—

The cross-piece E, loop F, and hook G, in combination with the shield A and flaps B B, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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