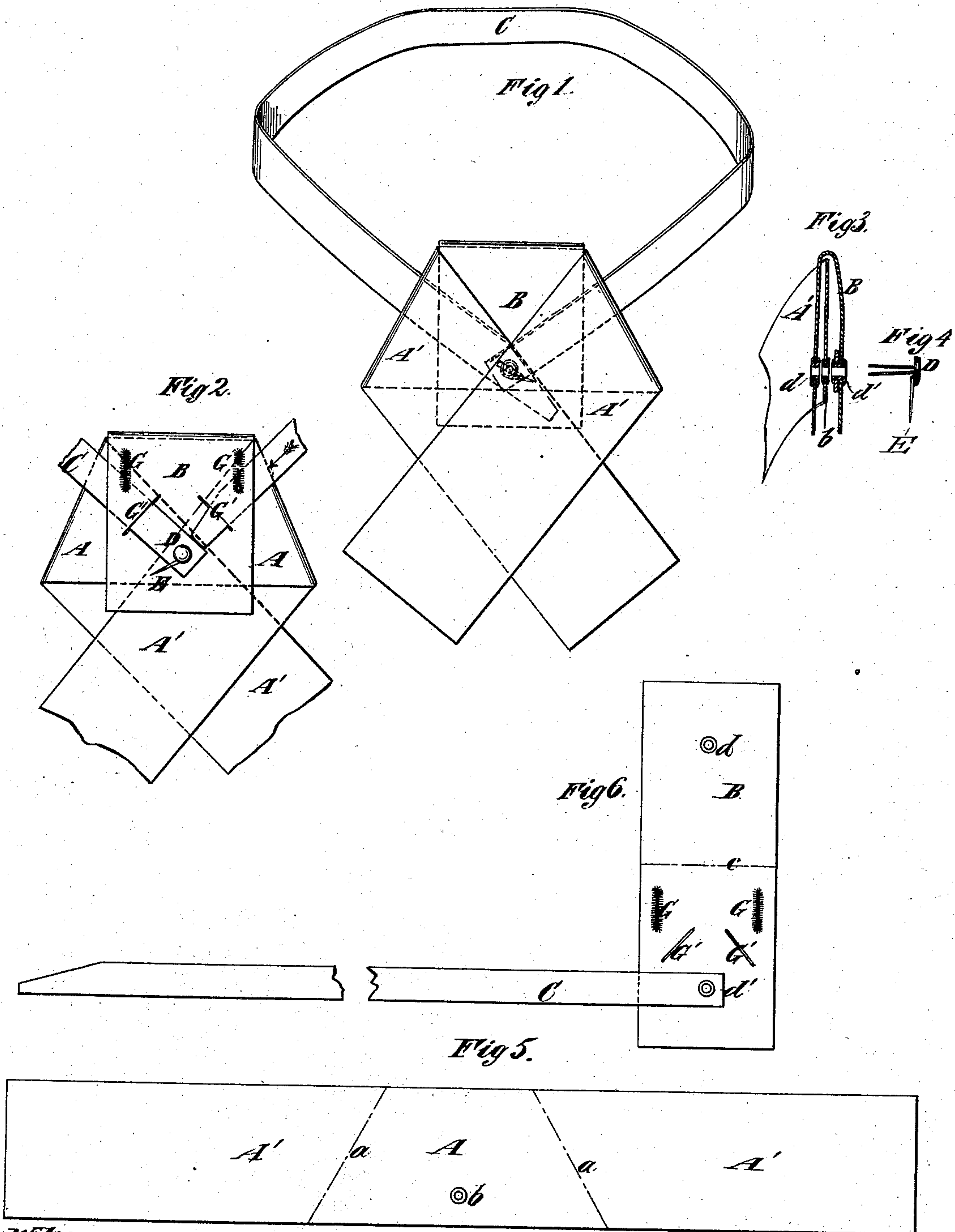


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDGAR K. BETTS, of Lansingburg, in the county of Rensselaer and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neckscarfs, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to produce a scarf which may be readily reversed to expose different sides, either covered with the same material or two different materials, to view, and to so construct such scarf that it may be easily and properly laundered.

The invention consists in the combination, in a reversible scarf, of a strip or piece forming the body, a cross-piece forming flaps or tabs, and a neckband permanently secured to said cross-piece in such manner that it may be swung laterally to enter either side thereof. The neckband is preferably secured to said cross-piece by means of a central swivel, and said cross-piece has button-hole-shaped slits or slots on both sides of said swivel, through either of which the neckband may be inserted. The said cross-piece is also preferably capable of being turned inside out, so as to present either surface for use. The fastening whereby the strip or piece forming the body and the cross-piece are secured together may be provided with a device, such as a pin, for securing the free end of the neckband.

The invention also consists in the combination, in a reversible scarf, of a strip or piece forming the body, a cross-piece forming flaps or tabs, and a neckband permanently secured to said cross-piece in such manner that it may be swung laterally to either side thereof.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of a scarf embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a back view thereof with the neckband broken away. Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the upper part thereof. Fig. 4 is a side view of the fastener, whereby the main strip or piece and the cross strip or piece are connected. Fig. 5 is a face view of the main strip or piece of the scarf, and Fig. 6 is a face view of the cross-piece and neckband.

Similar letters of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures.

A A' designate the main strip or piece, which is straight from end to end, and may be faced

on both sides with the same material, or, if desirable, each side with a material different from that on the other side. It is folded along the dotted lines *a*, so as to form a body, A, and two crossing wings, A'. The body A is provided with a hole, *b*, preferably fitted with an eyelet.

B designates the cross strip or piece, which may be faced with material or materials to correspond with the main strip or band A A'. When in use it is folded or doubled at the middle, along the dotted line *c*, across the body A of the main strip or piece. This cross strip or piece is provided with holes *d d'*, preferably fitted with eyelets, which, when the said strip or piece is in place, come opposite the hole *b* in the main strip or piece. The eyelet in the hole *d'* serves, in this example of my invention, to secure to the central portion of the cross strip or piece B a neckband, C, of ordinary style, and in such manner that it may be adjusted, as upon a swivel, at different angles relatively to the said cross strip or band. This neckband may also be faced with material or materials to correspond with the main strip or piece A A'. A fastener, D, here shown as consisting of a button-like device having flexible prongs, may be passed through the holes *b d d'* and bent over at the back, so as to clinch and secure the main strip or piece and the cross strip or piece together. This fastener, while it may serve as a button for securing the free end of the neckband C after it is passed around the neck, is here shown as provided with a pin, E, which extends from it, so as to be capable of engaging with the free end of the neckband for the purpose of securing it. When the fastener is thus made in the same piece with the device for securing the free end of the neckband the number of pieces comprised in the scarf is lessened, and the operation of taking it to pieces for reversal or laundering is simplified.

To detach the parts of this scarf the prongs of the fastener D are bent up so as to pass through the holes *b d d'* in the main strip or piece and the cross strip or piece, whereupon the said strips or pieces may be separated.

If the scarf is to be reversed, it is only necessary to fold the main strip or piece reversely

along the dotted lines *a*, and to fold the cross strip or piece reversely over the body A of the main strip or piece, and to secure it by means of the fastener D. It will be readily understood that in one case the neckband will be fastened at the outside, and when the scarf is reversed at the inner side, of the cross piece or strip; but this is immaterial, because the neckband may in either case be slipped from one side to the other through button-hole-shaped slits G or button-hole-shaped slits G'. These slits serve to hold the neckband in proper position relatively to the top of the scarf, and, if they be made slightly smaller than the neckband, can serve as a fastening for the free end of the latter.

If the scarf is to be laundered, there will be only two straight pieces, one having the neckband attached to it to operate upon. Hence there will be little or no liability of so distorting the shape of the tie in the process of laundering it as to mar its appearance. When the laundering is completed it is only necessary to fold the main strip or piece at the dotted lines *a*, so as to form wings A', crossing each other, to fold the cross strip or piece at the middle over the body A of the main strip or piece, and to insert and clinch the fastener D, whereupon the scarf will be ready for use.

If desirable, the neckband may be sewed to the cross strip or piece in lieu of being fastened thereto by an eyelet; but in such case it would be permanently secured to the right-hand side of the scarf when the latter is reversed, and might prove somewhat awkward. I prefer the connection by means of an eyelet, because it provides for swinging the neckband over to the left-hand side of the tie when it is reversed, so as to make the scarf equally convenient with either face exposed for wear.

The neckband may be fastened by an eyelet to the main strip or piece, and in such case the cross strip or piece may be detached when soiled and slipped into place again and secured with its back face outward. As this will be the part of the scarf most quickly soiled, it may be advantageous to secure the neckband to the main strip or piece.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, in a reversible scarf, of a strip or piece forming the body, a cross-piece forming the flaps or tabs, and a neckband permanently secured to the said cross-piece in such manner that it may be swung laterally to either side thereof, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. The combination, in a scarf, of a main strip or piece forming the body and wings, a cross-piece forming flaps or tabs, a neckband connected by a central swivel to said cross-piece, and button-hole-shaped slits or slots in said cross-piece upon each side of said swivel, through either of which the neckband may be passed, substantially as specified.

3. The combination, in a scarf, of a main strip or piece forming the body and wings, a cross-piece forming flaps or tabs, and capable of being turned inside out, a neckband connected by a central swivel to said cross-piece, and button-hole-shaped slits or slots in said cross-piece upon each side of said swivel, through either of which the neckband may be passed, substantially as specified.

4. The combination of the main strip or piece provided with the hole *b*, the cross strip or piece provided with the holes *d d'*, and the fastener D.

5. The combination of the main strip or piece, the cross strip or piece, the neckband, a fastener whereby they may be detachably secured together, and a device connected to or forming a part of the fastener, for securing the free end of the neckband, substantially as specified.

6. The combination of the main strip or piece A A', the cross-piece B, provided with holes *b d d'*, the neckband C, and fastener D, and the pin E, substantially as specified.

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Correction of Letters Patent No. 239,428.

It is hereby certified that in Letters Patent No. 239,428, granted March 29, 1881, to Edgar K. Betts, for an improvement in "Neckscarfs," the paragraph commencing with line 31 and ending with line 36, both inclusive, on page 1 of the printed specification attached to and forming a part of said Letters Patent, was erroneously printed and published as a part of the said specification; whereas it forms no part thereof, having been stricken out by amendment; that the proper corrections have been made in the files and records of the Patent Office, and are hereby made in said Letters Patent.

Signed, countersigned, and sealed this 11th day of April, A. D. 1881.

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