

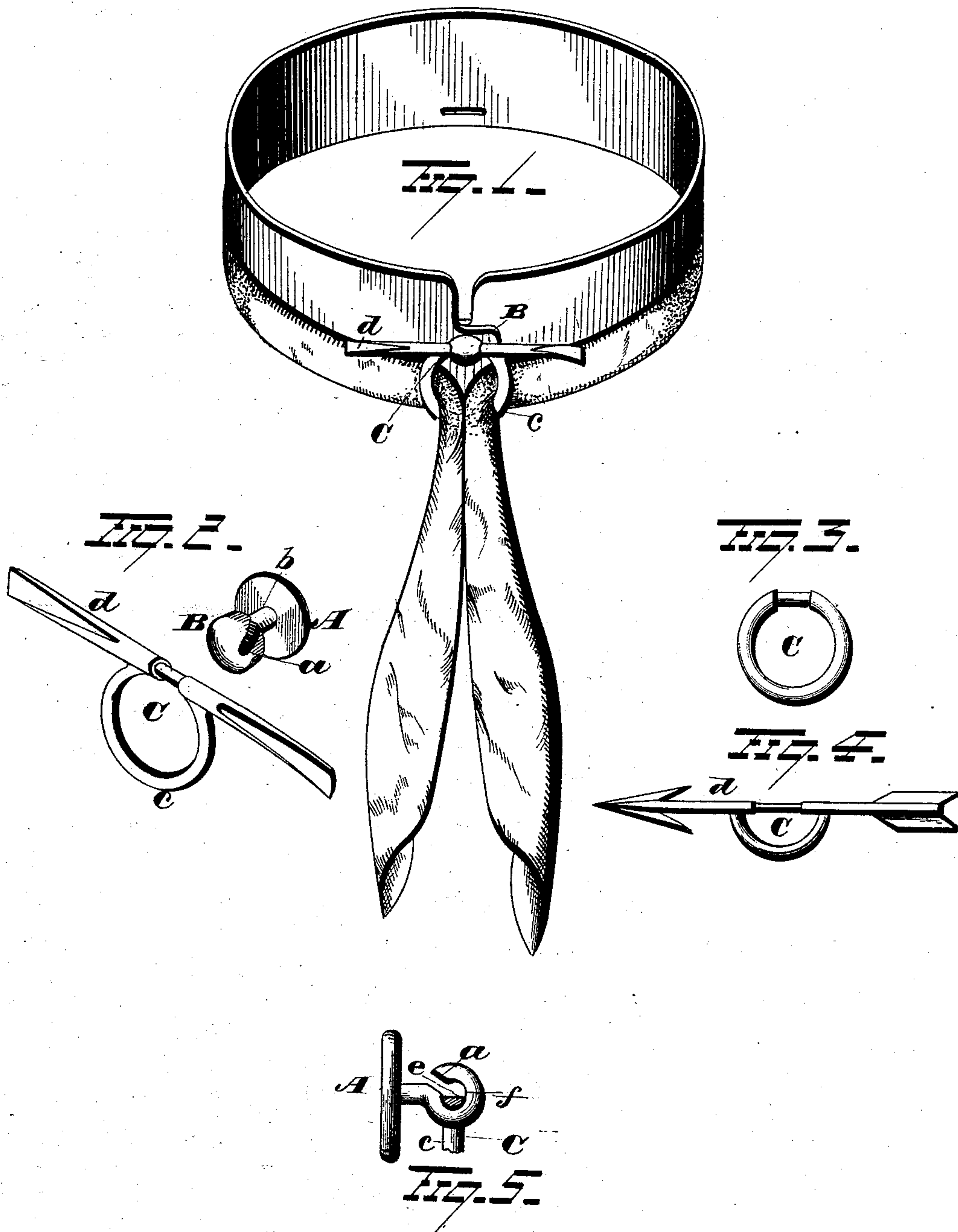
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. RACE, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Collar-Button and Scarf-Ring; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in combined collar-button and scarf-ring, the object of the same being to provide an ornamental device of this character which shall combine simplicity, economy, and neatness in construction with durability and efficiency in use; and with these ends in view my invention consists in the parts and combinations of parts, as will be more fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of my improvement attached to a collar and scarf. Fig. 2 shows the parts detached. Figs. 3 and 4 show modified designs of scarf-rings, and Fig. 5 is a modification of the combined ring and button.

A represents a collar-button, preferably made of metal and in one piece, having a slanting kerf or slot, *a*, formed in the head B. This slot *a* is formed in the rear surface of the head just above the shank *b*, and inclines downward a sufficient distance to retain the ring therein when the parts are placed in position. By forming the slot on the rear surface of the head the button is not disfigured, and can consequently be worn without the scarf-ring when so desired.

The scarf-ring C can be made in any desired shape and of any convenient size, and consists preferably of the ring *c* and the bar *d*, the whole being secured together or formed in one piece, as desired. The bar *d* can be in the shape of an arrow, oar, gun, or any other suitable device, and is secured to the periphery of the ring or forms a part thereof, as desired, and is adapted, when secured to the collar-button, to be retained in a horizontal position, its projecting ends standing partly over the scarf on opposite sides of the ring, and preventing the scarf from slipping upward on the collar. I prefer to cut a small portion of the ring away

and secure the bar *d* thereon immediately over the cut-away portion, which not only makes the device lighter and cheaper to manufacture, but also presents a neater and more finished appearance. The bar *d* is secured centrally to the ring, so as to project evenly therefrom from both sides, and the portion thereof directly over the cut-away portion of the ring is rounded off, as shown at *e*, to enable it to snugly fit within the slot or kerf formed in the head of the collar-button. When the parts are placed in position the ring and bar appear to be formed integral with the head of the button, and present a neat and attractive appearance. To adjust the parts in the collar and scarf, the button is first inserted through the shirt-band and collar, and is turned so that the kerf will be presented upward. The ring is then placed over the ends of the scarf in the ordinary manner, with the bar outward, and is drawn upward, and the rounded portion *e* thereof passed over the head of the collar-button and inserted in the kerf *a*, where it is retained by the gravity and the weight of the scarf. The collar rests up close against the head of the button and closes the kerf, and consequently prevents the ring from being displaced if it should from any cause work upward.

Instead of employing the combined ring and bar, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 4, an ordinary ring can be used, similar to that shown in Fig. 3.

In the modification shown in Fig. 5 the kerf *a* terminates in a circular slot, *f*, which latter runs transversely through the head of the button, and is slightly larger than the said kerf. The portion *e* of the combined ring and bar is made semicircular in cross-section, and when turned so as to present its narrowest diameter to the kerf freely slides therein. When this construction is employed the ring has to be turned upward sufficiently to present its narrow diameter to the kerf, and is then moved downward until the portion *e* enters the circular slot, when by simply releasing the ring it turns by gravity and becomes locked within the head.

It will be observed that no sidewise movement of the ring or bars is necessary, and therefore when the scarf and collar are once adjusted neatly there is no occasion for twisting them awry in attaching the ring.

I am aware that a stud or fastening for collars has been provided with a detachable head, and also that a necktie-loop has had its rear portion slotted laterally to take over the shank
5 of a collar-stud, and I do not claim either of such inventions.

Numerous designs of bars and rings can be employed, and the shapes of the several parts can be varied to suit the tastes of the wearer;
10 and hence I would have it understood that I do not limit myself to the exact designs shown and described, but consider myself at liberty to make such changes and alterations as fairly fall within the spirit and scope of my invention.

15 Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, with the collar-button having the upwardly open oblique slot formed

in the rear surface of the head thereof, of the scarf-ring arranged to take into said slot and depend from the button, substantially as described. 20

2. The combination, with the collar-button having the upwardly open oblique slot in the rear portion of the head thereof, of the ring
25 adapted to take into said slot and depend from the button, and provided with the bar *d*, having its ends arranged to project directly from opposite sides of the button, substantially as
30 and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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