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Fig. 1.

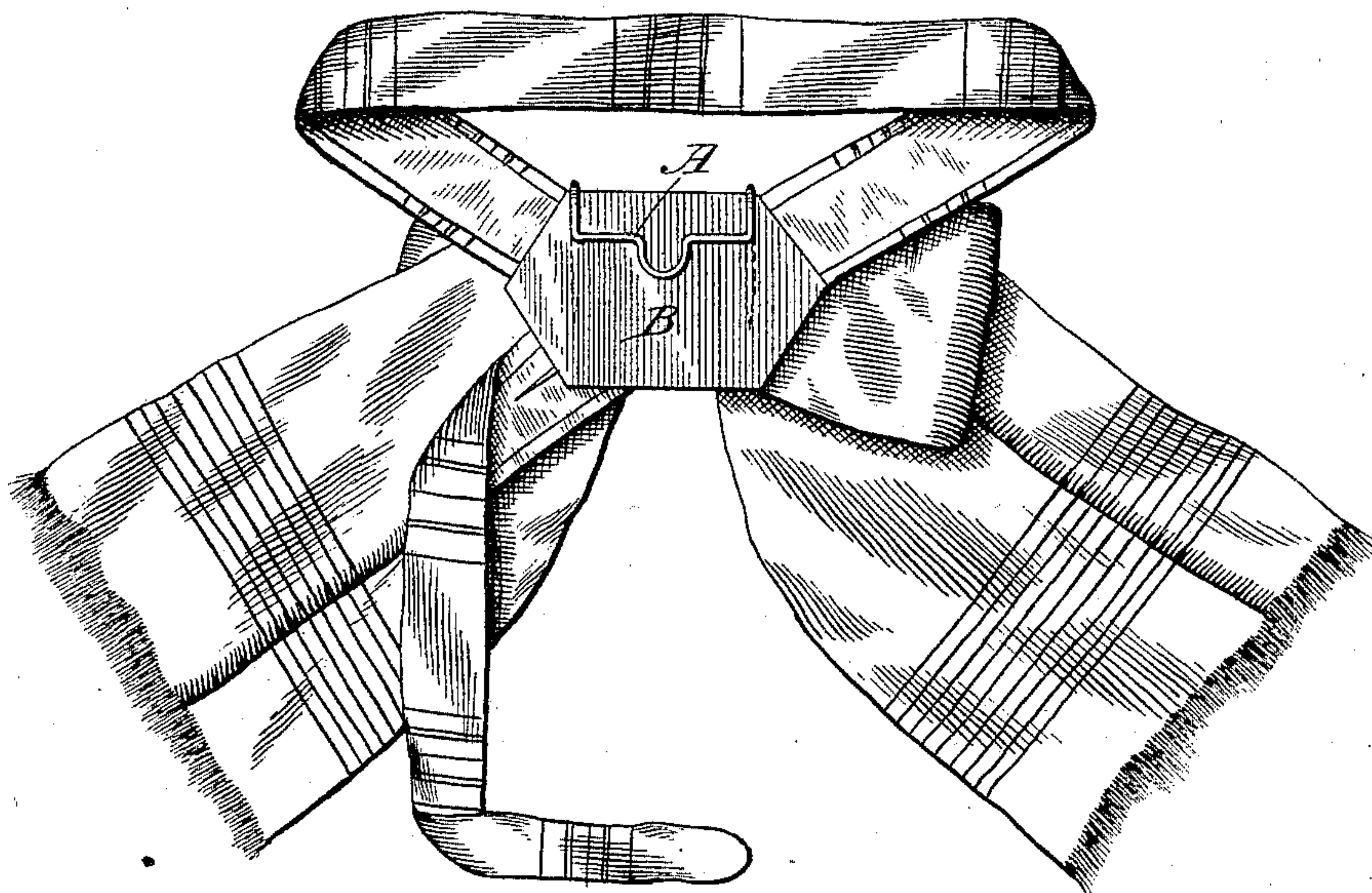
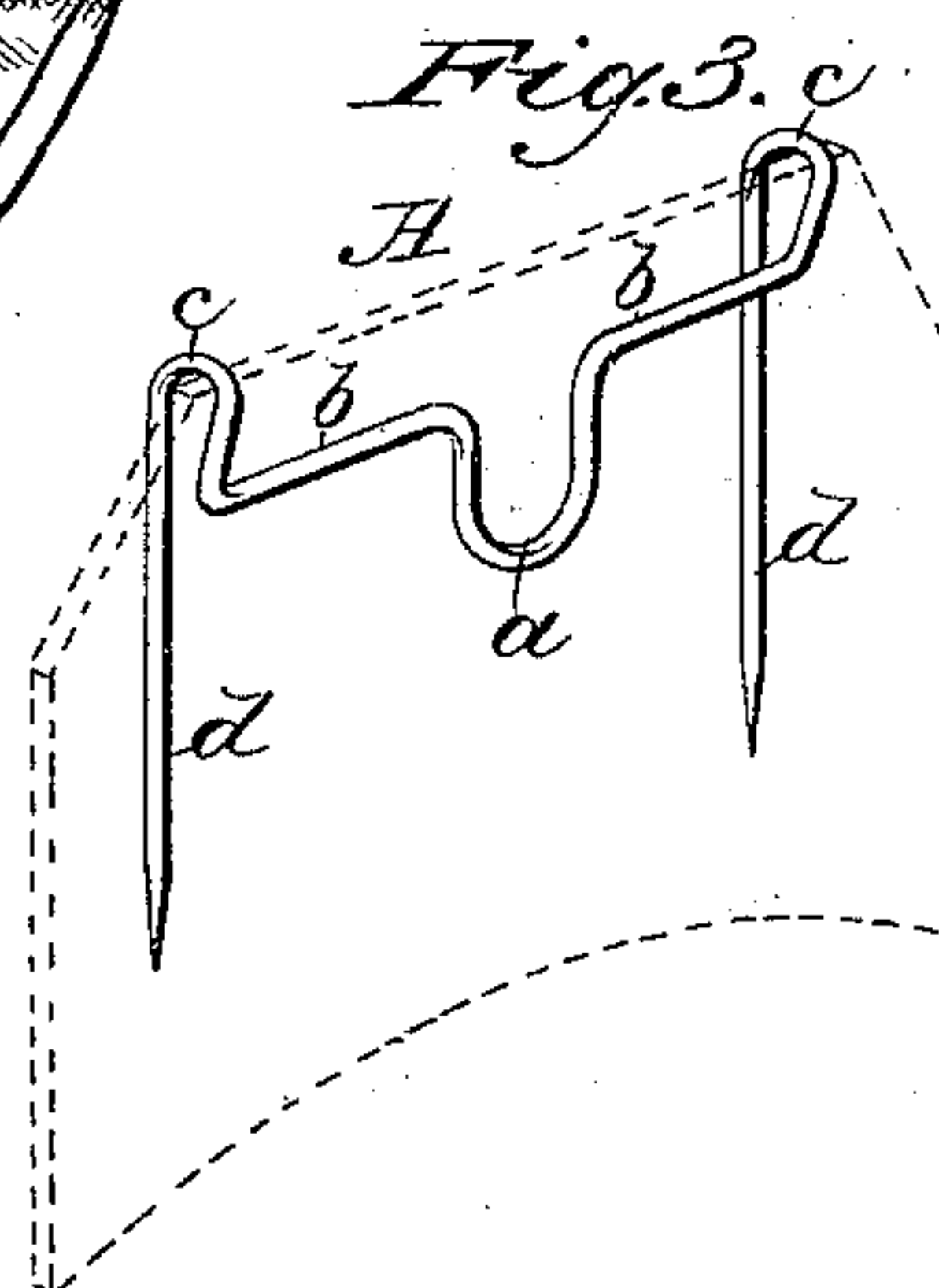
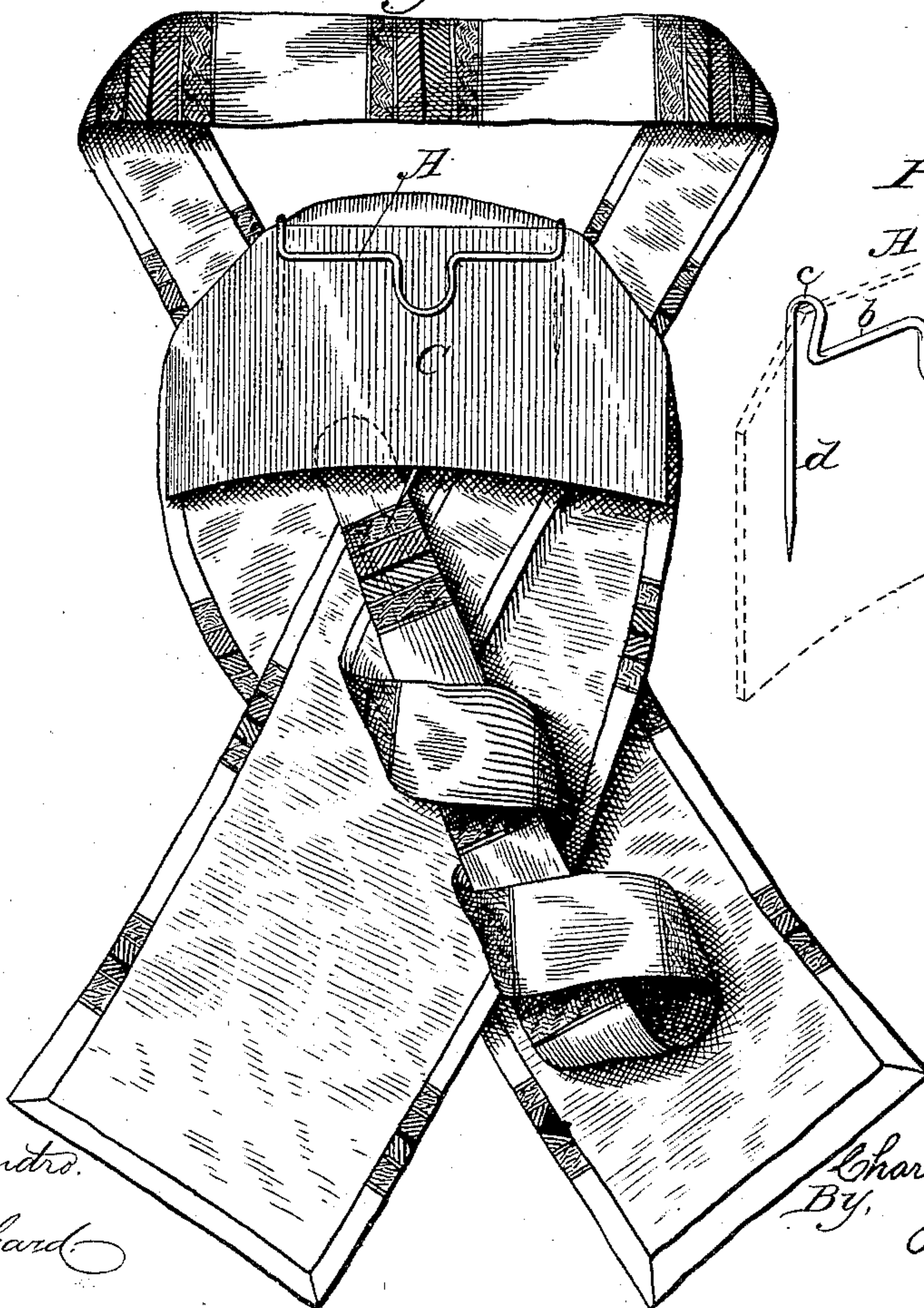


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. CROSSETTE, a citizen of the United States, residing in Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neck Scarfs or Bows, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in neck scarfs and bows provided with neckbands, one end of which is fixed to the body of the scarf or bow, and the other end, after being passed around the neck of the wearer, is removably secured to a pin or other fastening device secured upon said body.

When used in connection with stand-up collars the scarfs above referred to have a tendency to rise above their operative position when the neckband is tightened, and, indeed, no adjustment of the neckband can be made to obviate this tendency, except in degree, and at the same time prevent the scarf or bow from having a lateral movement one way or the other, which latter movement is also common to scarfs and bows, even when worn in connection with turn-down collars. As set forth in a pending application, I have attempted to remedy these defects by notching the shield of a flat scarf so as to embrace the collar-button, while in another application I have shown and described a wire frame rectangular in form, and bent in such a manner, out of a single piece of wire, as to form a stiffening-frame and needle adapted only for bows having neckbands.

The first-described construction is not adapted for bows, for the reason that the very small and flexible stiffening is, in the first place, too flexible, and, in the second place, is so secured as to prevent the use of a notch, while the second-described construction, for similar and obvious reasons, is not adapted for the flat scarf.

The object of my present invention is therefore to provide a device simple in construction, removably attached to either a bow or scarf, and which in any case requires no change whatever to adapt it for either, and which may be successfully employed on scarfs and bows, whether or not they have shields, boards, or other stiffening devices. I attain these objects

by devices illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a rear elevation of a bow-scarf embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a similar view of a flat scarf embodying my invention; and Fig. 3, a perspective of the catch, shown in its operative position on the shield shown in dotted lines.

Similar letters of reference indicate the same parts in the several figures of the drawings.

A represents a catch, composed in the present instance of a piece of wire, but may be of any other suitable material, provided at its center of length with U-shape bend *a*, from which, extending at a right angle, are two arms, *b b*, at the end of which loops *c c* are formed, from which the two free ends *d d* continue downwardly and parallel with each other at a right angle to the arms *b b*, said ends preferably terminating in points for convenience of attachment. The loop *a* should be of a size to receive the shank of the collar-button, and the arms *b b* be bent outwardly sufficient to permit the head of the collar-button to lie between the loop and the body of the scarf. The loops *c c* are preferably contracted at their throat, as plainly shown in Fig. 3, so that the sharp bend joining *b* and *c* will impinge against and, by the spring-actuating tendency of the loop, bind the catch to a shield or other thick fabric inserted in the loop.

In Fig. 1 the catch A is shown in its operative position on a bow-scarf provided with a shield, B, and in Fig. 2 it is similarly applied to a scarf with a flat shield, C, by passing the points *d* down between the shield and board and the fabric composing the scarf until the loops *c* engage with and clamp the shield. In both cases the loops are the important elements for holding the catch in place; but in this function they are aided by the points piercing the fabric of the scarf, which in both of the classes shown is invariably stitched to the upper edge of the shield, when a shield is employed.

While this manner of securing the catch to a shield-scarf is preferred, it should be observed that it may be very well secured by passing the points through the covering invariably employed as a finish to the stiffening-piece B C,

as shown, without having the loop straddle the shield; nor do I limit myself to the application of the catch to a stiffened scarf or bow, for it may be as well applied to any flexible scarf adapted to be pierced by the points *d d*.

While the construction of catch shown is preferred, it is obvious that the form and direction of the bends, especially of the loops *c c*, and also the direction of the points, may be very materially varied without departing from my invention, the essential feature of which is a removable and adjustable catch which can be attached to any neckband-scarf, or quickly removed from one scarf and placed upon another, and adapted to be easily connected with a shirt-stud, so as to effectually prevent the scarf from having an upward and lateral movement.

Among other advantages of my catch is the entire avoidance of employing stitching, clips, and other fastening devices for holding the catch in place, in consequence of which my

catches may be kept in stock, and be attached at any time and in a moment to any of the scarfs now commonly worn, without regard to who may or may not be the manufacturer.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A frame provided with a central loop or recess, and having formed therewith branching arms terminating in clamping-loops adapted to receive and hold the top edge of the scarf, substantially as described.

2. A frame provided with a central loop or recess, and having formed therewith branching arms terminating in clamping-loops, said loops having sharpened or needle-pointed ends, and adapted to receive and hold the top edge of the scarf, substantially as described.

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