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FIG. 1.

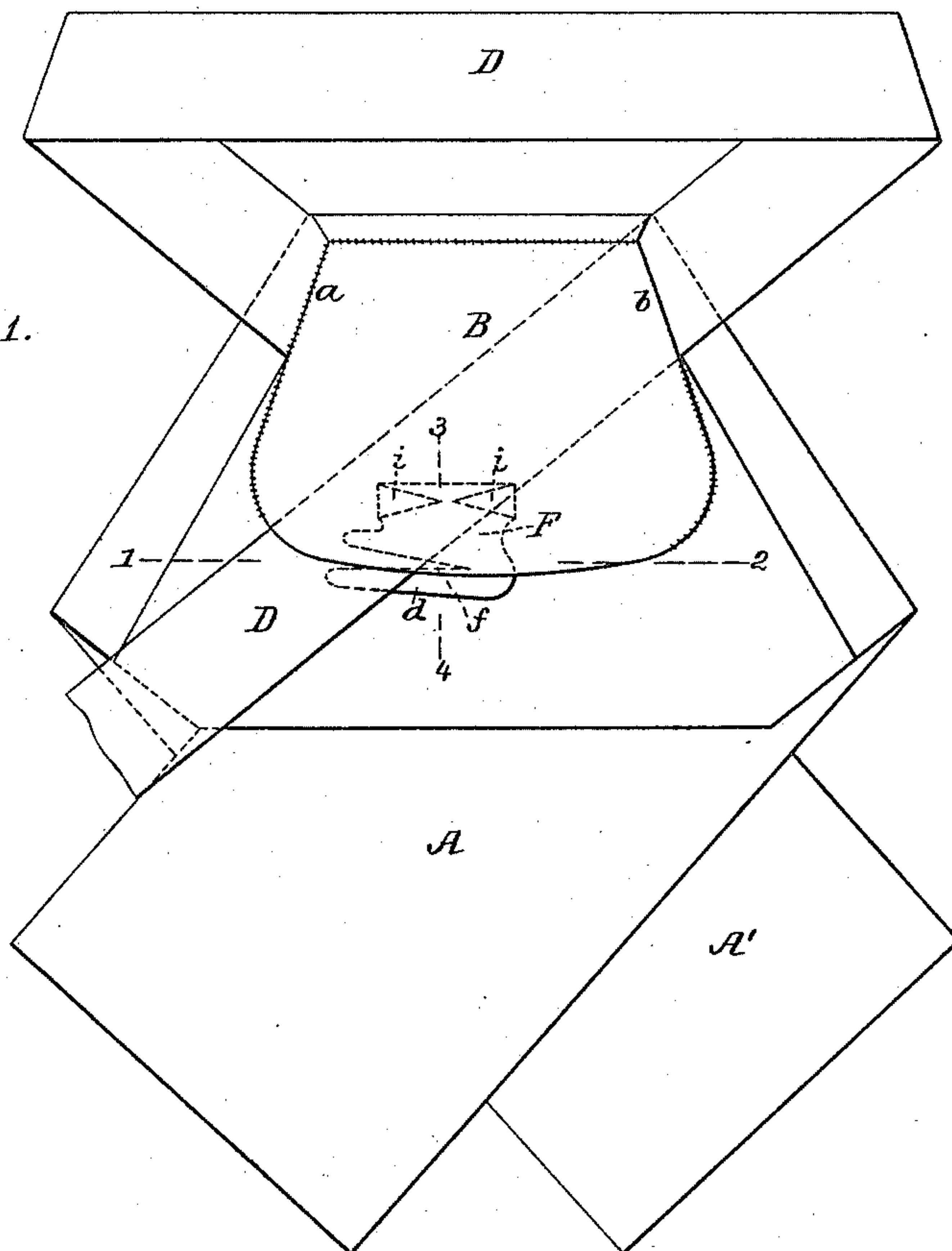


FIG. 4.

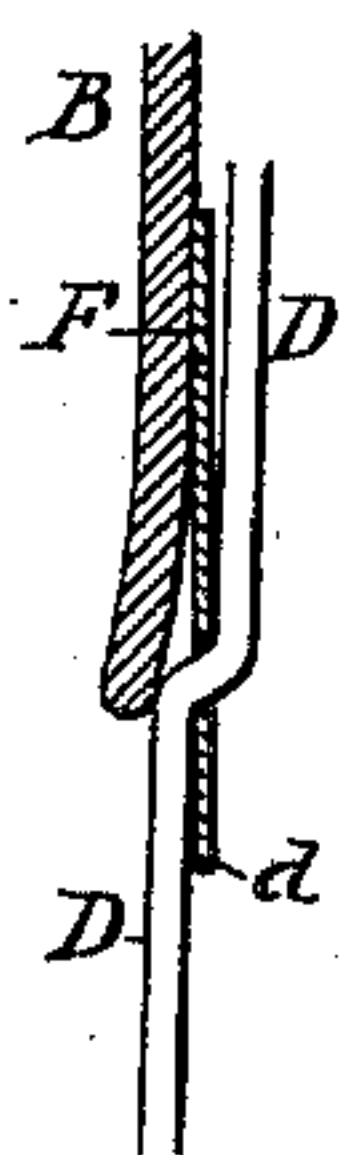


FIG. 2.

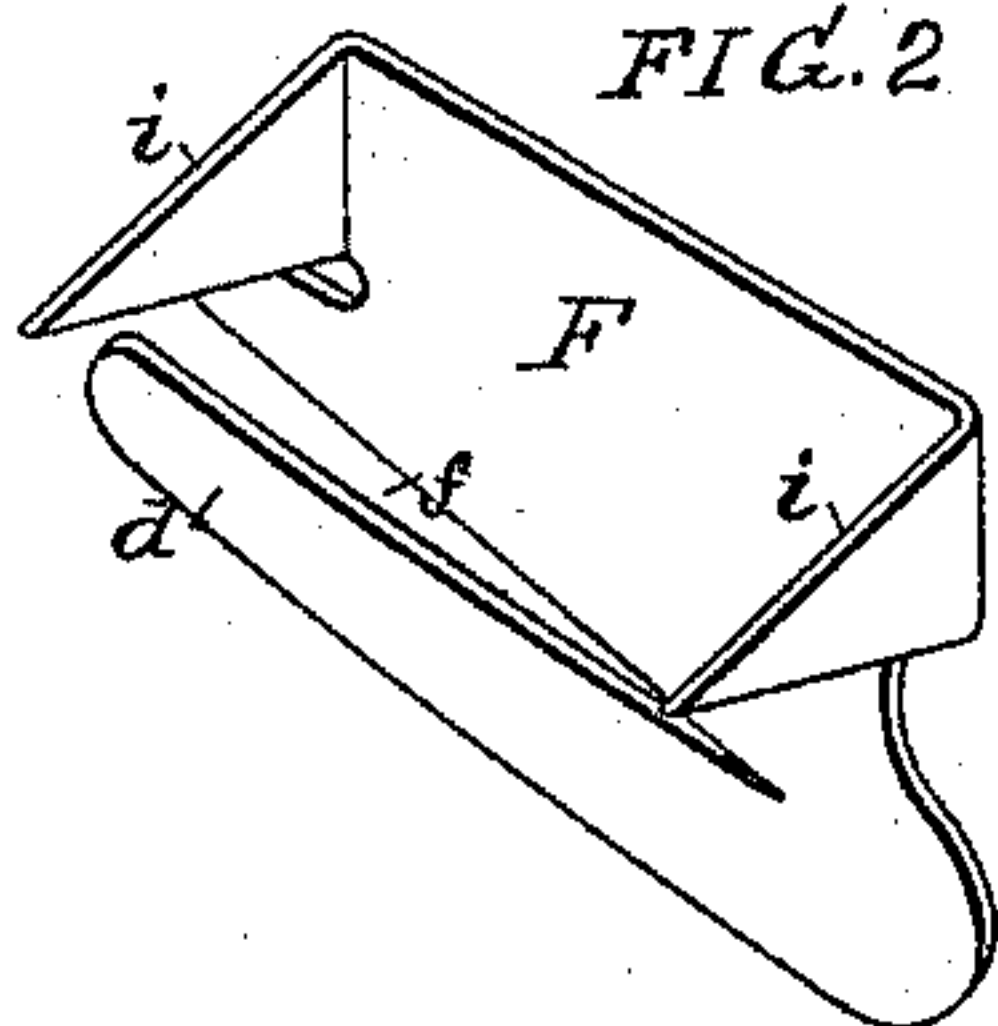


FIG. 3.

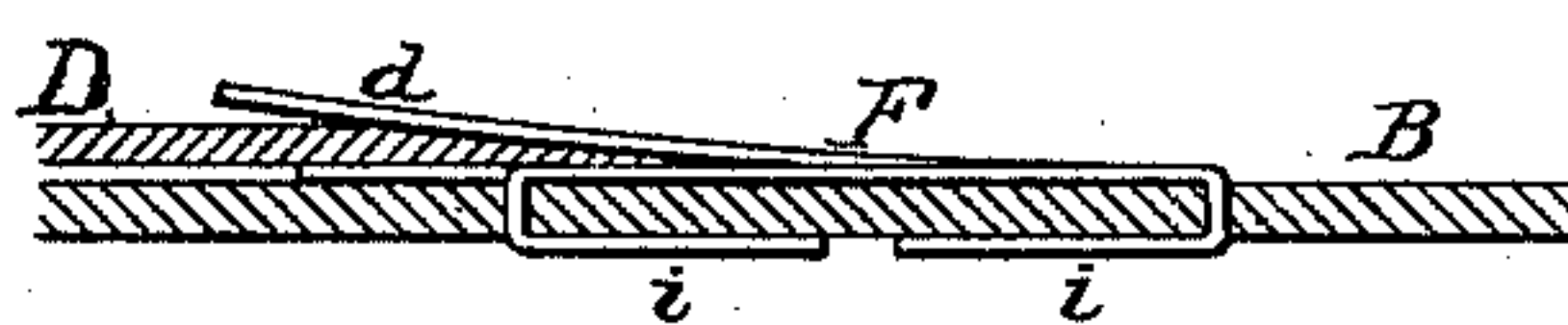


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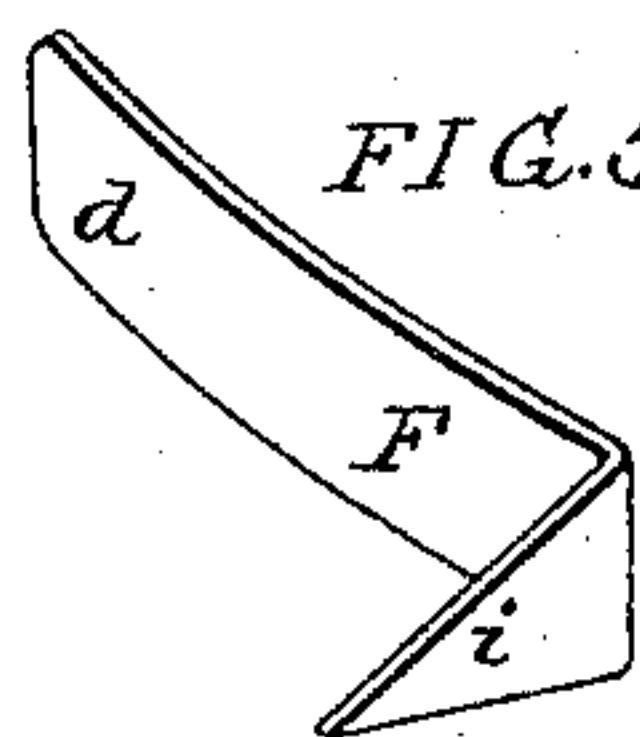


FIG. 6.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM E. T. MERRILL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have  
5 invented certain Improvements in Holders for the Bands of Neckscarfs, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a neckscarf with an acceptable substitute for the  
10 usual pin which retains the tucked end of the neckband; and this object I attain in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear view of a neckscarf with  
15 my improved band-holder; Fig. 2, a perspective view of said holder on a larger scale; Fig. 3, an enlarged section on the line 1 2, Fig. 1; Fig. 4, an enlarged section on the line 3 4, Fig. 1; and Figs. 5 and 6, views illustrating a  
20 modification of my invention.

A A' are the usual crossed aprons of the scarf; B, the shield, and D the neckband, which is secured at one end to the upper corner, *a*, of the shield, the other end of the band  
25 being tucked through the opening *b* at the opposite corner of the shield, and being secured by a holder applied at or near the lower edge of the shield.

Usually this holder consists of a pin the  
30 base of which is secured to the shield, the point of the pin projecting below the shield and passing through the neckband.

Besides the general objection to sharp-pointed projecting pins in articles of apparel, this  
35 holder is further objectionable on the ground that it mutilates the neckband and necessitates the drawing of the band tighter than necessary in applying the scarf to the neck, owing to the fact that the band slips from the point to the  
40 base of the pin when released.

In place of the pin, I use a retainer consisting of a plate, F, having a bent wing, *d*, which forms, with the body of the plate, a  
45 tapering lateral opening, *f*, into which the edge of the neckband is drawn after the end of the band has been tucked through the opening *b*, as shown in Fig. 1, the wedging of the band into the tapering opening being sufficient to retain the same against any strain in

the direction of the length of the band. The  
50 plate F has prongs *i*, whereby it is secured to the shield; but these are not absolutely necessary, as the plate may be secured by sewing, if desired.

In Figs. 5 and 6 I have shown a simpler  
55 form of holder, in which the tapering opening *f* is formed between the bent wing *d* and the inner side of the shield, the construction shown in Figs. 1 to 4 being, however, preferred.

I am aware that a spring-clamp has been  
60 applied to the upper portion of a neckscarf-shield, into which clamp the neckband is drawn edgewise, the purpose of this clamp being to dispense with the tucking of the end of the neckband through the opening *b*, and the for-  
65 mation of an opening in the body of the shield being necessary to the proper working of the clamp. My invention is distinct from this, the opening *b* being retained, and the holder F being used at the lower portion of the shield in  
70 place of the usual pin. The metal of the plate F, moreover, is comparatively rigid, and the retention of the neckband is due not so much to the elasticity of the finger *d* as to the nip-  
75 ping of the compressible edge of the band at the inner contracted end of the opening *f*, this being supplemented in the case of the plate shown in Figs. 1 to 4 by the abrupt bend in the line of the band where it passes through the opening. (See Fig. 4.)  
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I therefore claim as my invention—

The combination of the front of the scarf, the neckband D, and the shield B, having the opening *b* at the upper corner, with the holder  
85 F applied to the lower portion of the shield, and having a bent wing forming a tapering opening, *f*, into which the edge of the neckband is drawn after the end of the band has been tucked through the opening *b*, as set  
90 forth.

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

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