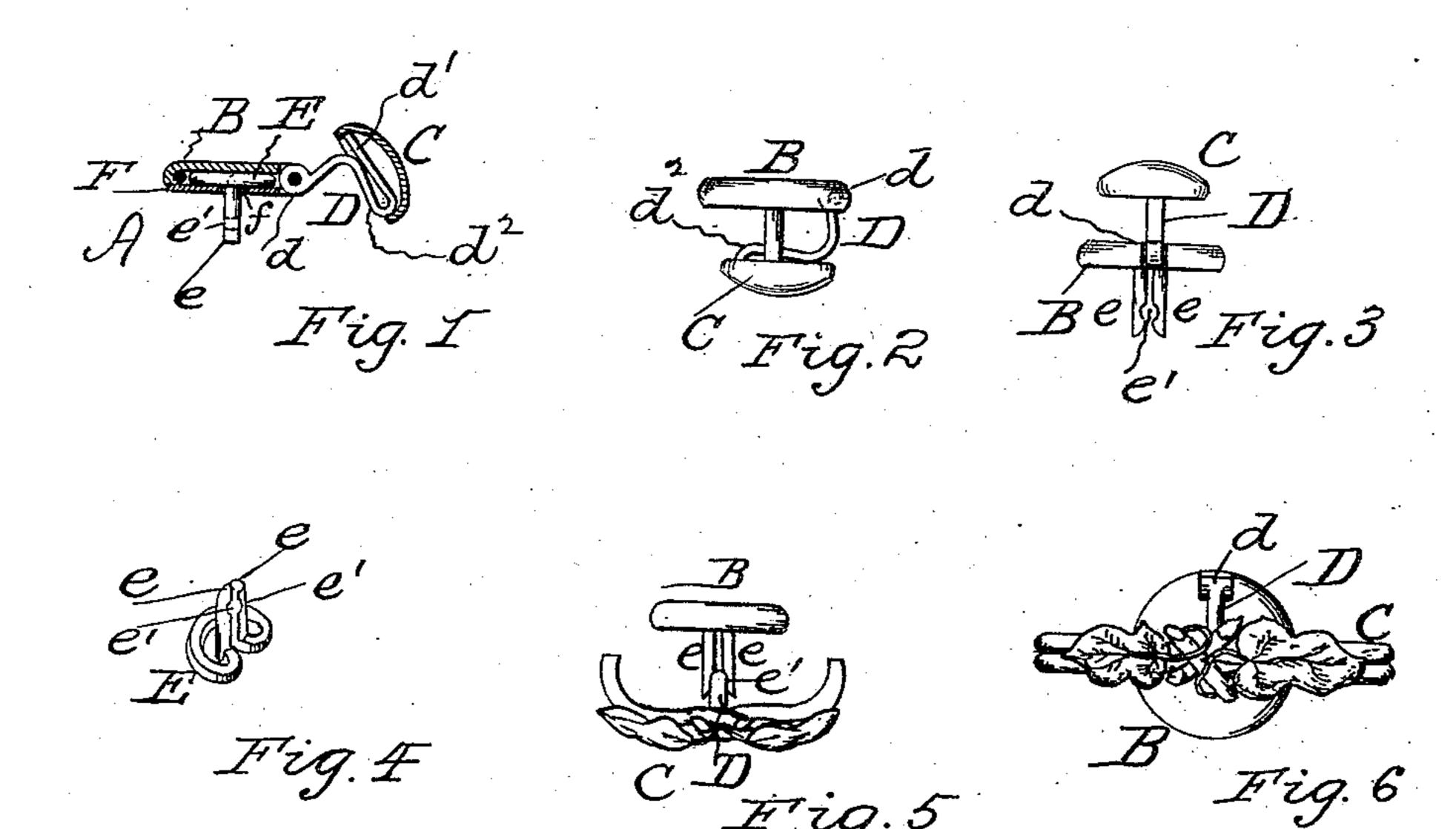
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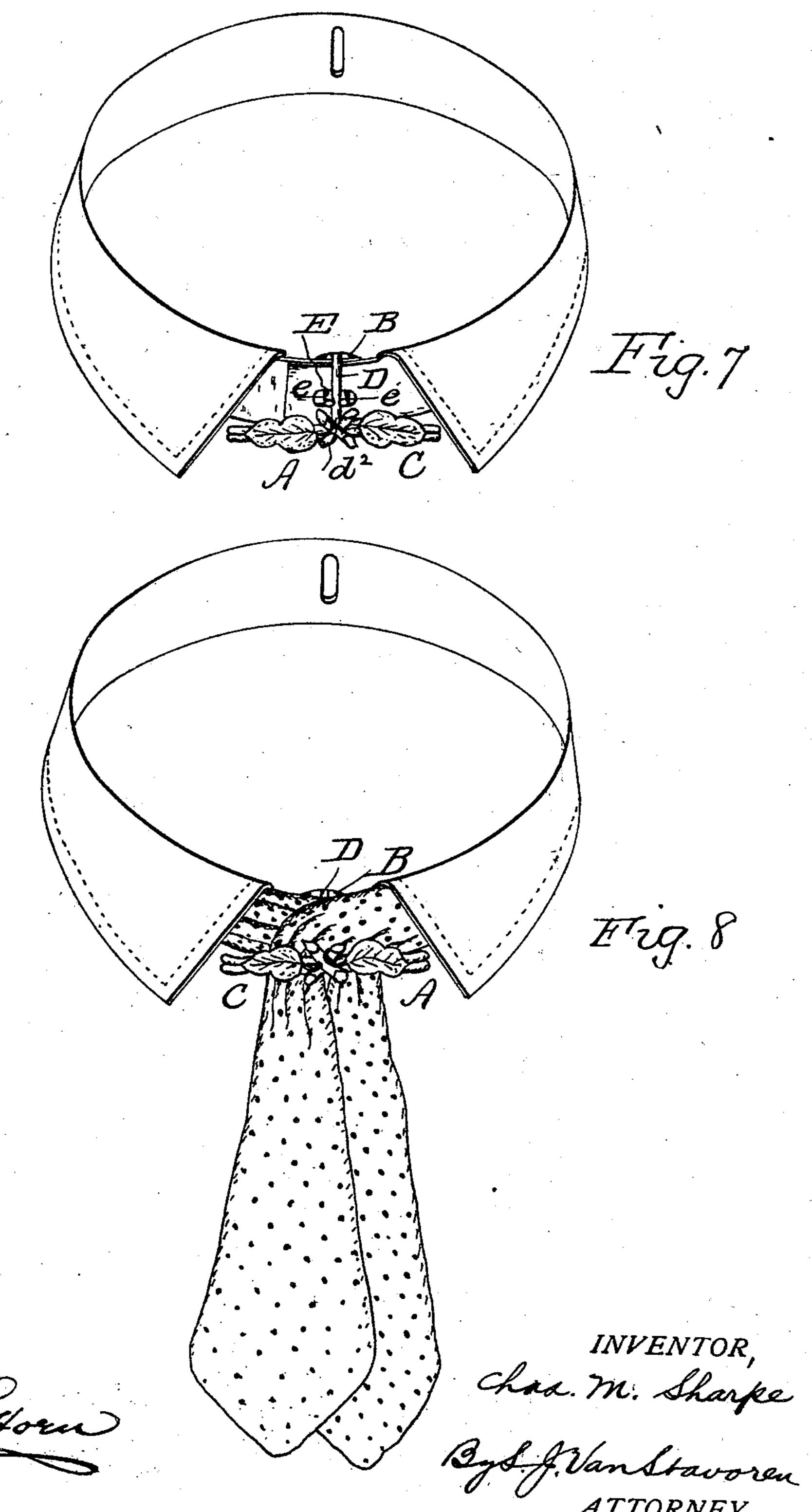
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Charles M. Sharpe, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Collar-Buttons, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompa-

nying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a vertical section of the button with its head moved to one side. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the button with its head in its normal position. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of same from another point of view, with the head of the button thrown up. Fig. 4 is a perspective of the split spring stem or catch for fastening or locking the head to the back of the button. Fig. 5 is a side elevation of the button adapted for use as a button and scarf or other pin. Fig. 6 is a top view of same. Fig. 7 is a perspective view showing collar-button and scarf-ring applied to a collar, and Fig. 8 is a like view of same with scarf or tie.

My invention has relation to that form of collar or other buttons having a hinged side connection and a central stem and locking device between the back and head of the button, whereby its head may be changed from a hori-30 zontal to a vertical position to facilitate its passage through and withdrawal from a button-hole; and it has for its object to provide the button with a divided or split stem and a hinged side connection, which, together with 35 the split stem, forms the locking device for holding the head of the button in its normal or horizontal position, whereby a strong and durable collar or other button is produced, and which by appropriately changing the configu-40 ration of its head subserves the double purpose of a button and a scarf-pin or other like piece of jewelry.

My invention accordingly consists of a back and head or two plates or pieces connected by a hinged lateral or edge bar having an extension to form a cross-bar for the head of the button, and having a centrally-located divided or split stem, forming a catch for locking the

head or one of the plates in its normal or 50 horizontal position to form a collar-button or similar device, as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, A represents a collar-button composed of a back, B, and head C, of the usual or other desired or suitable construction, 55 connected by a side bar, D, hinged at one end, d, to the back B, and firmly fastened at its other end, d', to the head C. In the back B is placed a semicircular or other suitablyshaped spring, E, the ends e of which meet and 60 project through a central aperture, f, in a retaining-plate, F, fastened or soldered to said back. The ends e of spring E form the stem of the button, which stem is, therefore, a split or divided spring-stem, and the members 65 thereof have adjacent notches e'e' in their meeting sides near their outer ends, as more plainly shown in Fig. 4.

The hinged bar D is extended to form a cross-bar, d^2 , which is fastened to the head C 70 in line with the split or division of stem e, so that when the head C is in its normal or horizontal position the cross-bar d^2 passes between the spring-bars or members of stem e, enters the recesses or notches e' thereof, and is by 75 them firmly held in such normal position.

The hinged side bar or connection, D, not only provides a separate bar or link, as it were, for throwing the head C when moved from its horizontal position out of the way of 80 the back B, but it also forms part of the locking device for securing the head and back or

plates B and C together.

Any suitably-configured head C may be secured to bar D, the shape whereof depends 85 upon the use designed for the button. If for a collar-button, the ordinary head or disk C, as shown, is employed; but if a scarf pin or ring is substituted or attached to bar D, as indicated in Figs. 5 and 6, the device not only 90 serves for a collar-button, but also for a scarf ring or pin.

By attaching other forms of jewelry or pins to the bar D the button or device may be used for a combined button and breast or other pin 95

for female attire.

I therefore do not limit my invention to a collar-button, as it is obvious that by attaching various forms of head C to the hinged bar D the device is susceptible for use for many 100 purposes either in the line of jewelry or otherwise.

What I claim is—

1. The combination, with plates B and C, of

a hinged side bar, D, having an extension or cross-bar, d2, and a separate divided or split stem, e, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

5 2. The combination, with plates B and C, of a hinged side bar, D, and ā divided or split | stem, e, provided with a locking-bar, substan-

tially as set forth.

3. The combination of plates B and C, hinged 10 side bar, D, cross-bar d2, and spring E, having vertically-projecting contiguous ends forming a split stem, e, with notches e', substantially as shown and described.

4. The combination of plates B C, hinged side bar, D, having cross-bar or extension d^2 , 15 divided spring-stem e, and retaining-plate F, perforated at f, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

CHARLES M. SHARPE.

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