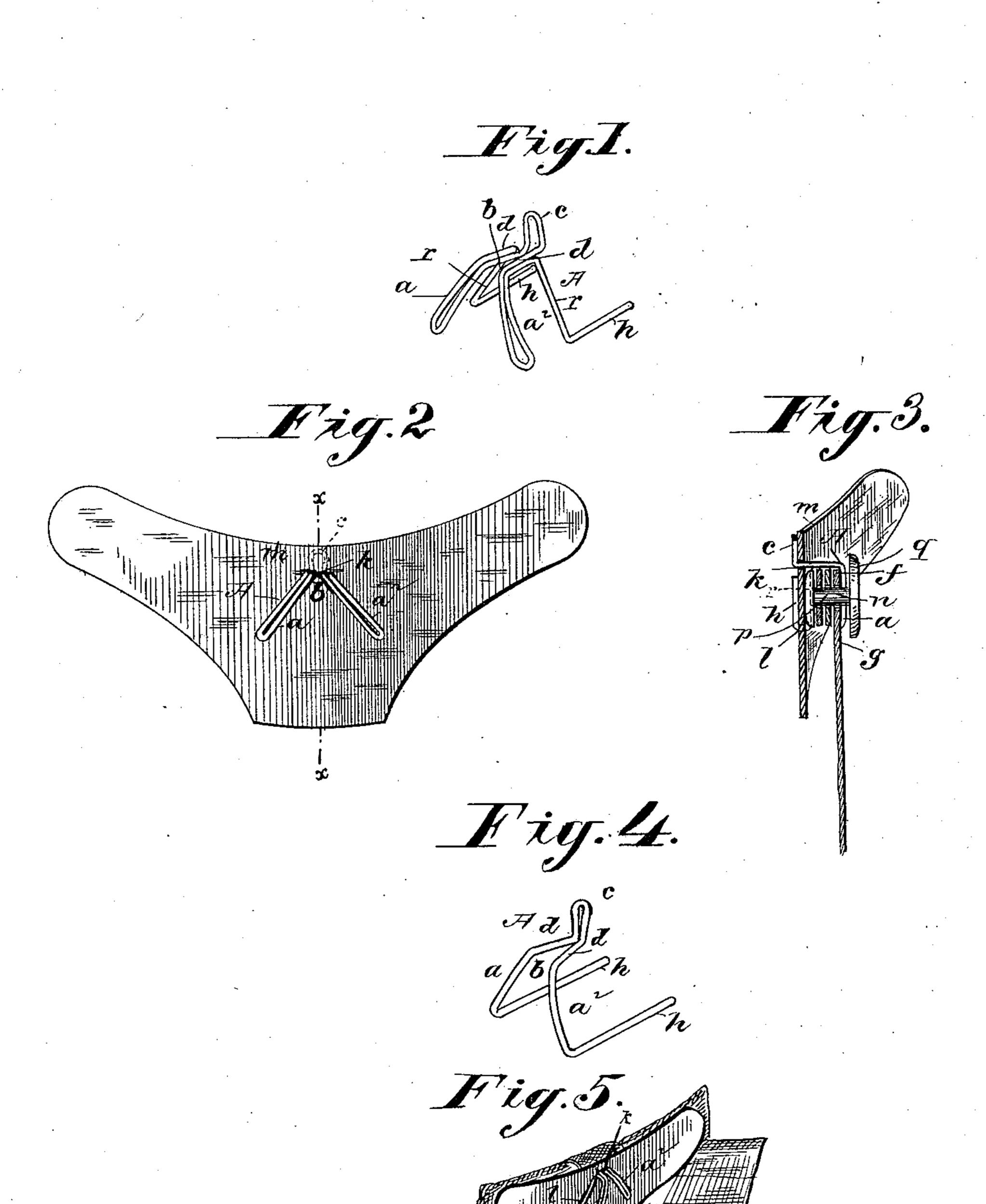
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANDRES CIFRE, of Haverhill, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and 5 useful Improvements in Necktie Fasteners or Supporters, of which the following is a full,

clear, and exact description.

This improved fastener for neckties, and which is to be attached to the tie or to a sup-10 port or shield in turn attached to the tie, is made of metal wire capable of being bent and doubled without breaking, and of retaining its so bent or doubled shape, and it (the fastener) has two arms or legs, which at one end 15 form an acute angle, with an intervening attaching - loop continuous therewith, and at their other end is continued in an attachingprong, which prong and loop are for the attachment of the fastener to a necktie or sup-20 porter therefor, and each arm or leg at their \ said angle has a bend at right angles and of a shape or width to make in each arm a rest for said arm upon the neckband of the shirt when the arms of the fastener are placed over and 25 inside of said neckband, and for the necktie and supporter, if the tie is attached to a supporter, to be located on the outer side of said neckband, and in position for the necktie or the supporter, if the necktie is attached to 30 one, to be placed under the turned-down portions of the collar.

In the drawings this improved fastener for neckties is illustrated.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the fastener 35 detached. Fig. 2 is a face view of the back of a necktie-shield, showing the fastener thereon. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of the shield on line x x, Fig. 2, and in position in relation to the shirt, neckband, and collar. Fig. 4 is a per-40 spective view of a modified form of the fastener. Fig. 5 is a rear perspective view of a necktie, showing the fastening thereon.

In the drawings, A is my improved fastener for the neckties. This fastener A is made of 45 metal wire capable of being bent and doubled without breaking, and of retaining its so bent

or doubled shape.

a and a<sup>2</sup> are the two arms or legs of the fastener, forming an acute angle, b, and there pro-50 vided with an attaching-loop, c, and also each with a bend, d, at right angle to its length and

to the loop c, and making practically a roundshaped edge and rest in the fastener and between each arm  $a a^2$ , and the intervening attaching-loop, c, thereof for the support of the 55 fastener upon the edge f of the back-band gof the shirt when the fastener is in use, Fig. 3.

h is an attaching-prong at the extreme or outer end of each arm or leg a  $a^2$  of the fastener.

The fastener, with all its parts and shaped as above described, is made of one piece of metal wire, and is produced by giving the wire the construction and shape stated.

A fastener of the construction described is 65 attached by its intermediate loop, c, and end attaching - prongs, h, to a suitably - shaped supporter—as, for instance, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3—and then this supporter secured to the necktie, or directly to the necktie.

To attach the fastener, first put its intermediate loop, c—that is, the loop at the angle of the arms or legs  $a a^2$ —through a slit, k, of the supporter or necktie, as the case may be, and from the back to the front thereof, and 75 then similarly put the end prong, h, of each arm or leg through the separate slits l, suitably located therefor, and bend and clinch them against the front side of the supporter or tie, as the case may be, which completes 80 the attachment of the fastener A, and the arms or legs a a<sup>2</sup> of the fastener are at the back, and the rest or bend d thereof toward the upper edge, m, of the supporter or necktie. It is of course understood that in so attaching the 85 fastener its location on the supporter or necktie is to be such as to secure the proper placing of the supporter or tie in relation to the collar upon the neck of the wearer, and to have the vertical central line of the fastener oc in line with the collar-button.

The fastener, secured as described, to be used is placed by its two arms a a<sup>2</sup> back of the neckband of the shirt and straddling the shank n of the collar-button p, and between 95its inner head, q, and the neckband g, and at a rest by its bends d upon the upper edge of the neckband with the supporter or necktie in front of the neckband of the shirt and of the ends of the collar buttoned to said collar-but- 100 ton, and then, as well known, the supporter or necktie is properly adjusted to position in

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relation to the collar, completing the securing of the necktie by said fastener to the neck of the wearer, and one which is most perfect, re-

liable, and rigid.

The fastener A, herein described, is shown in the drawings as made in two forms, varying in detail—as, for instance, in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 the wire is shown as doubled upon itself to make each arm or leg  $a a^2$ , and also as doubled to at the bend d of each arm, and thence continued or extended in another leg or arm, r, of the same general direction and length as the arm of which it and its bend make a double, and this extension r terminates in the end at-

15 taching-prong, h, described.

In Fig. 4 the wire making an arm is shown of a single thickness, and the end attachingprong, h, extends directly from its outer free end. The doubling of the wire in the length 20 of the arms or legs a  $a^2$  of the fastener and the extending thereof described and shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, however, is the most preferable of the two forms shown and described, for the reason that it secures increased rigidity 25 and stiffness to the arms of the fastener, and, co-operating with the intermediate attachingloop, c, and which is at the angle of said arms,

an increased security of attachment of the fastener to the supporter of the necktie, as the case may be.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim—

The combination, with a necktie and secured thereto, substantially as described, of a metal fastener, A, made with two legs or arms,  $a a^2$ , 35 each having an end prong, h, and both forming an acute angle, b, and each thence bent and continued at right angle, making a portion, d, and a loop, c, the portions d to act as rests for the fastener upon the upper edge of the collar 40 and neckbands, and otherwise to secure the placing of both legs inside of the neckband and straddling the shank of the collar-button and the loop c and prongs h, to serve as means of attaching the fastener to the necktie, all as 45 described, for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing

witnesses.

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