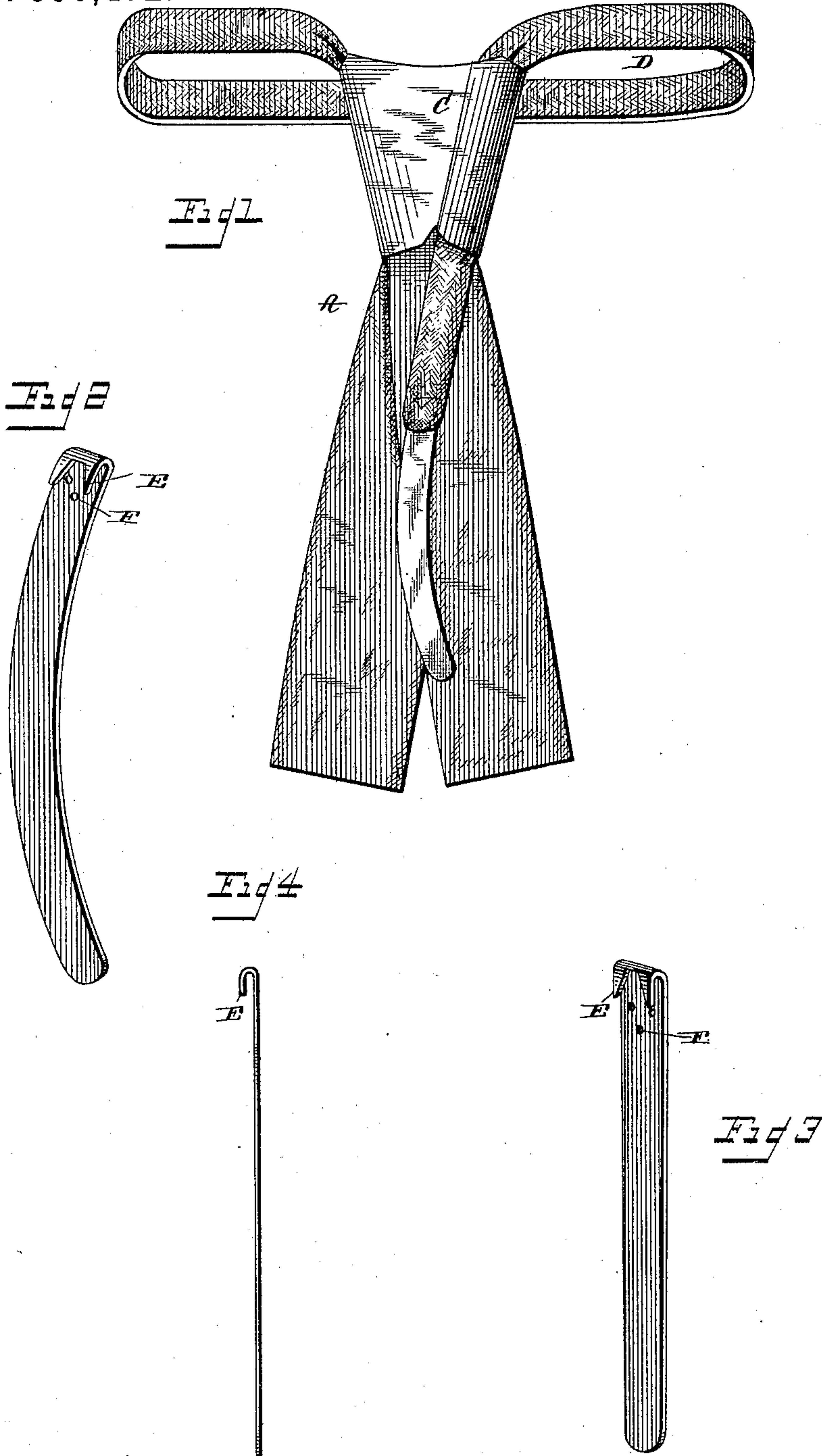


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS CHARLES FREDEREK FREES, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tips for Scarf-Neckbands; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear view of a necktie which is provided with my improved tip. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the tip removed from the neckband. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing a slightly-modified construction of the tip, and Fig. 4 is an edge view of the tips shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

Like letters of reference denote corresponding parts in all the figures.

This invention has relation to tips for neckwear or scarf neckbands employed to facilitate the insertion and passage of the scarf-band or neckband through the loop or knot of the scarf; and it consists in certain improvements upon the tip for scarf-neckbands for which Letters Patent of the United States No. 366,162 were granted to me on the 5th day of July, 1887, which said improvements will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

As in the above-mentioned patent, my improved tip may be made either of sheet metal or wire, and either straight in whole or in part, or rounded, as may be found desirable or convenient.

By my present improvement the tip is adapted to be fastened to the extreme end of the scarf-band, instead of being covered by the material of which this is made. In practice it has been found that when the metallic tip is covered by the material it will soon wear through the same, and thereby not only make the scarf-band ungainly in appearance, but sometimes make it difficult to introduce the band through the loop or knot of the tie. To overcome this objection I propose to attach the tip, whether this be made of sheet metal or wire, to the extreme end of the band in the manner and by the means shown on the ac-

companying drawings, in which the letter A designates the body of the scarf, C the loop or knot of the same, and D the scarf-band.

When my improved tip is made of sheet metal, one of its ends is rounded, and the other end, where it is to be attached to the free end of the band, is provided with one or more (preferably two) sharp hooks or prongs, E, which are doubled upon the flat body of the tip. Below these pointed prongs or hooks is punched a series of holes, F, and the tip is fastened upon the band, which is formed with converging or tapering sides, by means of the hooks or prongs E, which are hooked into the stiffening-band inserted through the center of the scarf-band proper, and firmly attached to the same by stitches through the apertures F; or, instead of fastening these hooks in the middle part of the band, they may be inserted through the covering of the band, as shown in Fig. 1, in which case these prongs not only serve as a means of attachment of the tip to the scarf-band, but also as a means of connecting the edges of the material of which this band is made.

When this tip is made of sheet metal, it may be nickel-plated or silver-plated, so as to present a neat and tasty appearance; and, if desired, the manufacturer may conveniently stamp his name and residence or any other desired matter upon the flat side of the tip. This may be either straight or curved, as may be desired.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

The leader or tip for scarf-neckbands herein described, consisting of a flat metallic tapering piece or body, the tapered end of which is round and the opposite end is provided with projecting outwardly and downwardly curving prongs, said body being provided with a series of holes below the prongs, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

LOUIS CHARLES FREDEREK FREES.

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