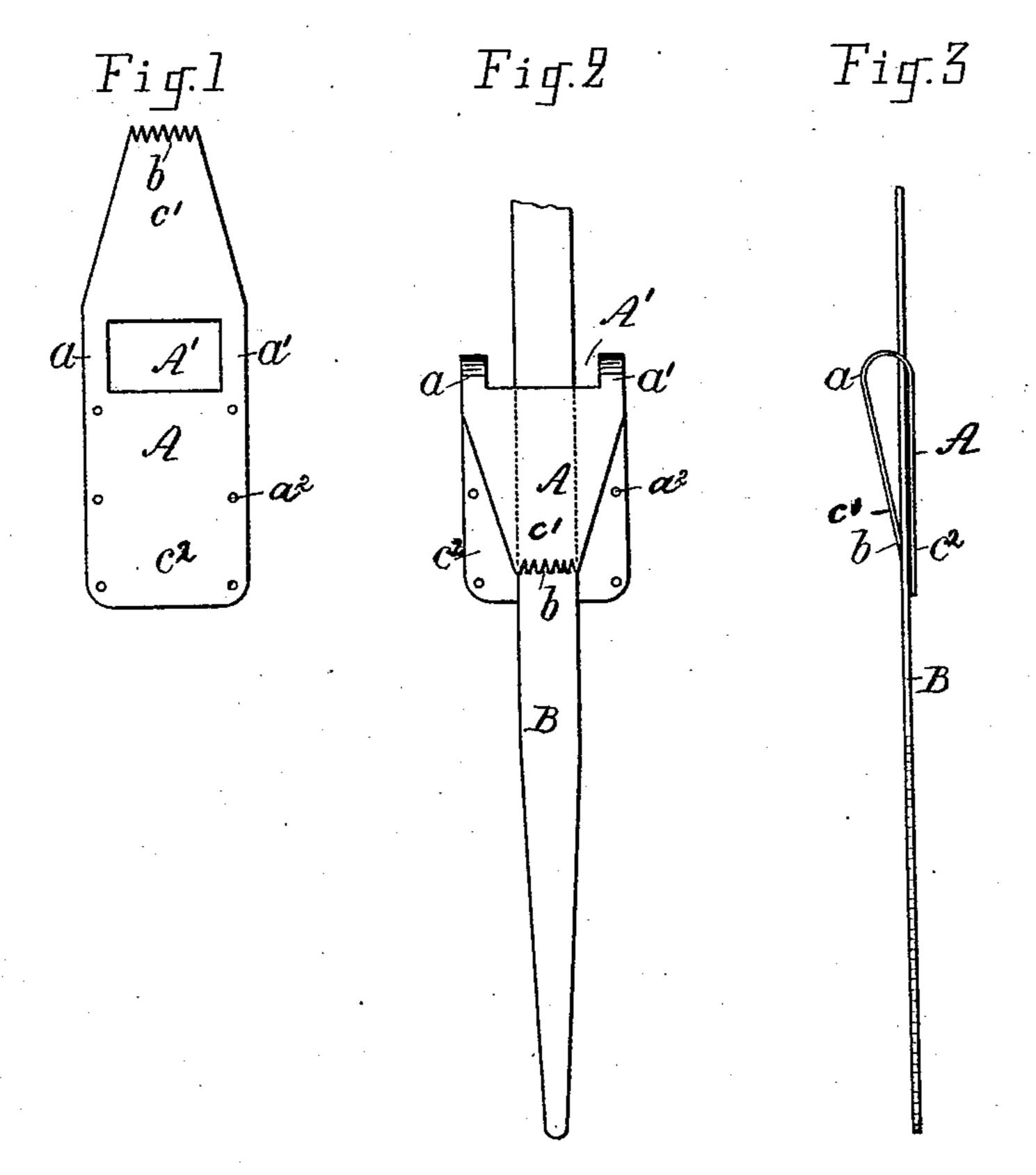
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Frederick Charles FAIRBANKS, a citizen of the United States, but now residing at Villa Leyrand, city of 5 Nice, Department of Alpes-Maritimes, in the Republic of France, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Fasteners; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact descrip-10 tion of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked there-15 on, which form a part of this specification.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a device for holding neckties, scarfs, or other similar articles to place, of not only novel and simple construction, but durable, 20 light in weight, inexpensive, and effective in

action.

The nature and characteristic features of my invention will be more fully understood taken in connection with the accompany-25 ing drawings forming part hereof, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a blank struck out of a piece of metal or other material capable of being readily bent into a 30 form or shape for use in a scarf or necktie, and constituting when caused to assume such a form or shape my improved device. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the fastening device in the position it occupies in a 35 necktie, scarf, or other similar article, with the tail of the tie or scarf inserted through the opening in the plate between the front and rear portions thereof and caused to engage with the teeth of the fastener and held 40 firmly thereby; and Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the device with the tail of the neck-tie inserted and retained in proper position between the two portions of the blank or plate by the teeth thereof.

Referring to the drawings for a further description of my invention, A is the blank or plate, made of metal or other preferred material susceptible of being readily bent into the shape or form desired for use. This | forming of the device.

plate A is provided with a rectangular or 50 other preferred form of opening A'. Adjacent or contiguous to the ends of the plate A on each side and below the opening A' are formed a series of small holes a^2 for the ready attachment of the plate to the body of 55 the necktie or scarf. The upper portion of the plate A from a short distance above the opening A' is constructed tapering to the end, where teeth b are provided, in order that when the said plate A is bent into the con- 60 figuration or shape desired for use in the tie or scarf the teeth b will readily engage with the tail B of the necktie or scarf made of fibrous or other suitable material.

The manner of applying my improved de- 65 vice to a necktie or scarf may be explained

as follows: The lower part of the plate A is pierced with two series of holes a^2 , in order that the plate may be sewed to the body of the tie or scarf in any well-understood man- 70 ner, so that the same may be hidden from view therein. An opening is provided in the folds of the tie or scarf corresponding with the hole A' in the fastening device between the parts a and a' thereof, in order that the 75 tail B of the tie or scarf may be quickly inserted and drawn downward between the front portion c^2 and the rear portion c' of the plate A and the same caused to engage with the teeth b of the rear portion c' of the plate, 80 and thereby holding the tie or scarf in the position desired by the wearer thereof. To release the tail of the scarf or tie from its

engagement with the teeth b of the device, the same is drawn slightly downward by hand 85 in any well-understood manner, thereby enabling the scarf or other similar article to be readily removed from the wearer.

It is obvious that the shape or form of the plate may be somewhat modified and still 90 satisfactorily accomplish the purpose designed; and, furthermore, that the blank or

plate to constitute the device may be punched out of metal or other preferred material by means of a die or otherwise, and hence I do 95 not confine myself to any specific shape for

the plate nor to any special means for the

Having thus described the nature and objects of my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A fastener for scarfs, &c., consisting of a metal plate provided with an opening and a serrated extremity, and said plate doubled over, as shown, for attaching the scarf thereto and engaging the tail of the same therewith, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in 10 presence of two witnesses.

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