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Fig. 1.

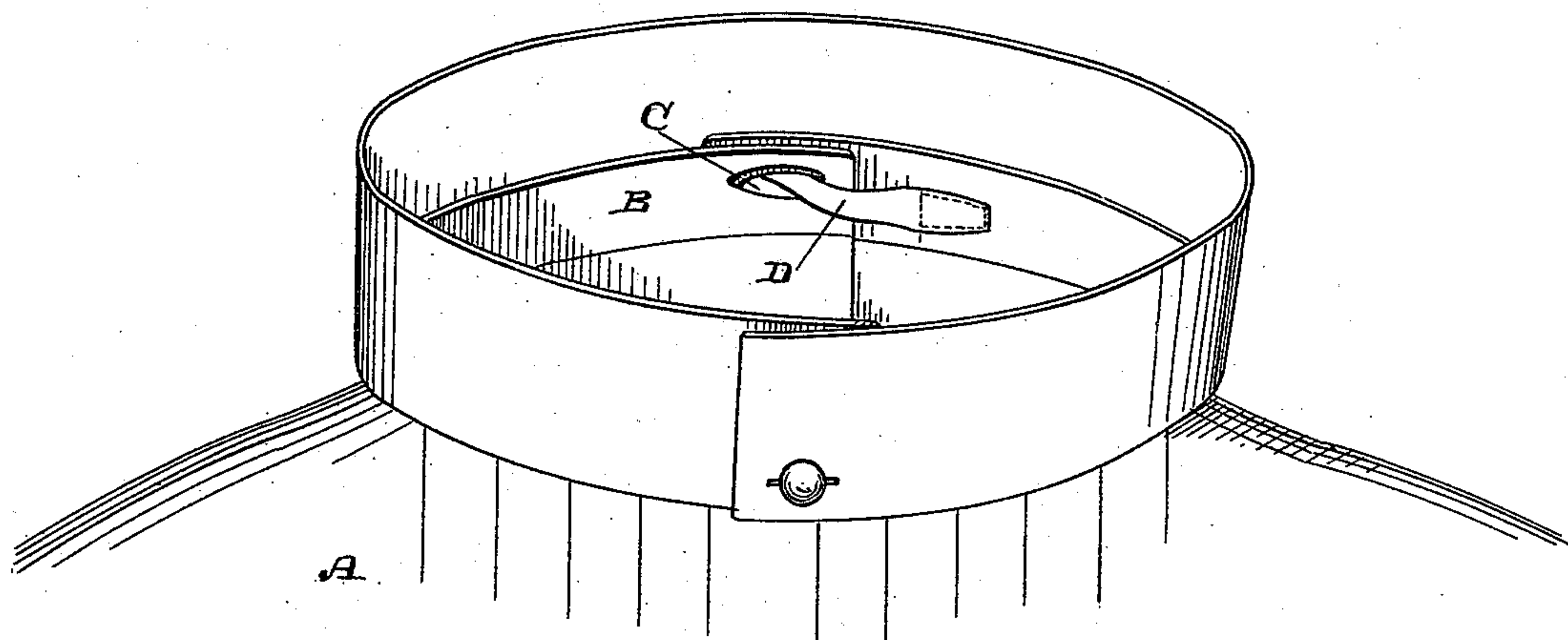


Fig. 2.

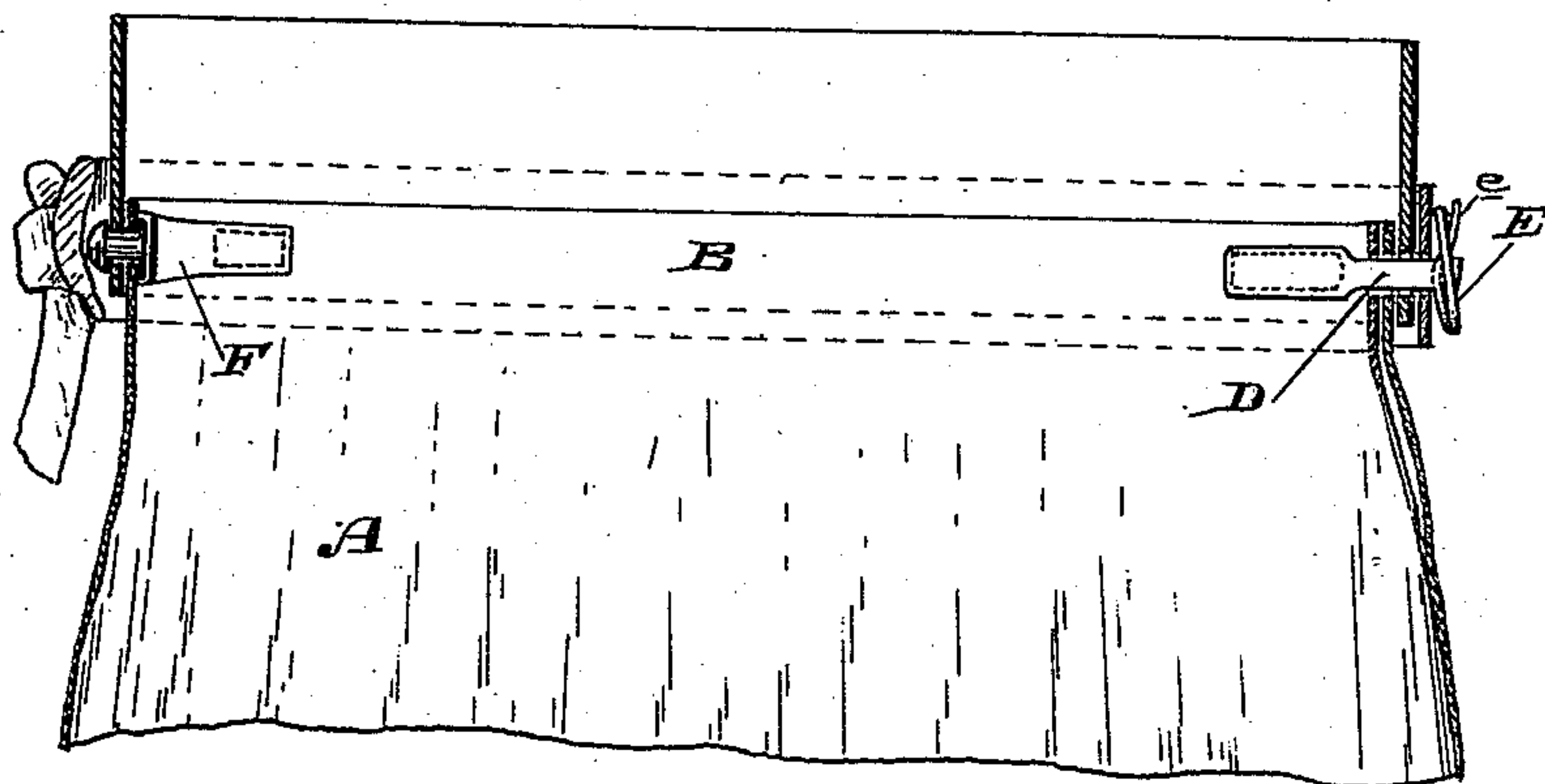
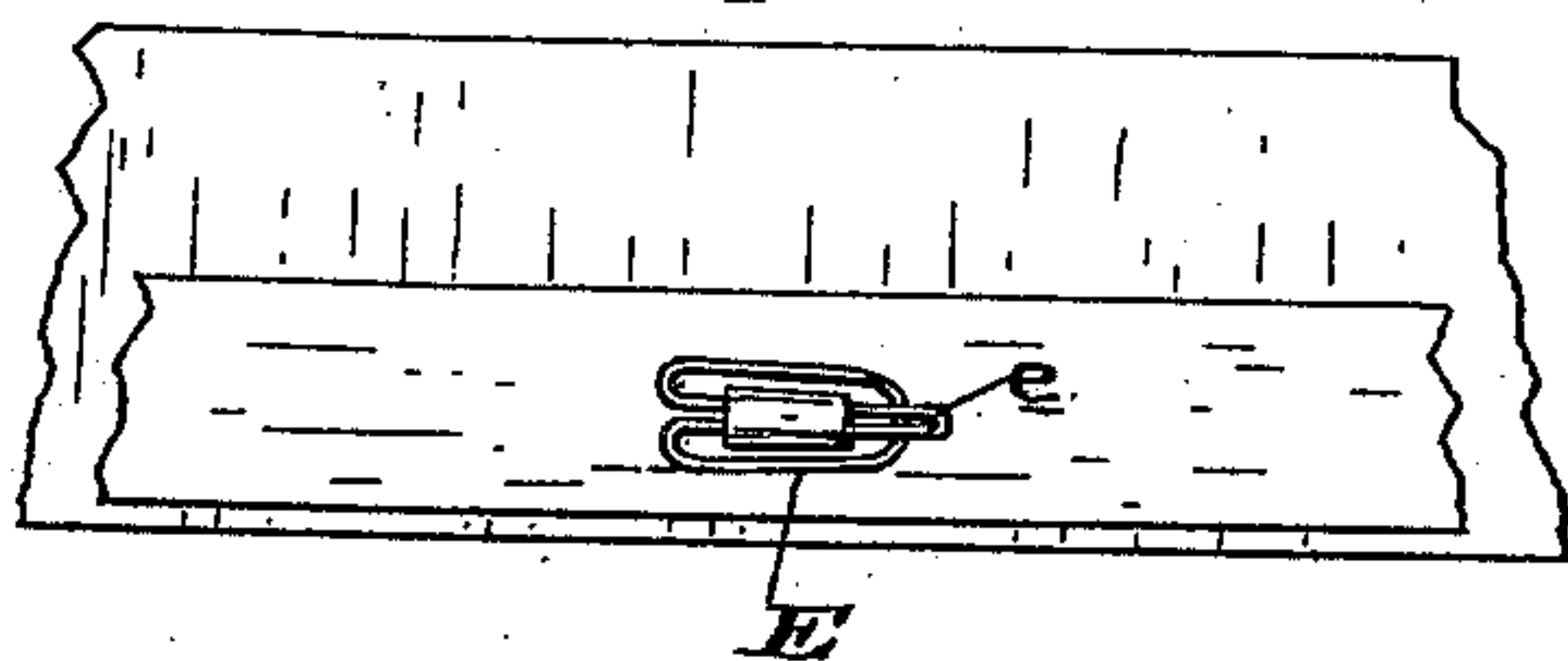


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK BATTER, of Slide, Humboldt county, State of California, have invented an Improvement in Shirts; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in shirts; and it consists in the construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings for a more complete explanation of my invention, Figure 1 is a view looking from the front, showing the tape attached to the lower back portion of the neckband of the shirt and passing through the button-holes of the two overlapping parts of the band. Fig. 2 is a vertical section taken in a plane through the back and front of the shirt and collar-band, showing the relative position of the collar-band, the false collar, and the necktie and fastening-pin. Fig. 3 is a back view showing the fastening device in place.

Great discomfort is often caused to the wearers of shirts by reason of the pressure upon the outer end of the back collar-button, which is transferred to the bones of the spinal column with greater or less severity. My invention is designed to do away with this difficulty by the use of the flexible tapes attached to the inner portion of the shirt-band, so as to pass through the button-holes of the band and be secured by a peculiarly-constructed pin, which may, if desired, also pass through a button-hole in the center back portion of the tie, so as to hold that in place at the same time.

A is a shirt, which in the present case I have shown as the style known as "open-backed."

B is a collar-band, having button-holes C, which, when the two parts of the band are overlapped, lie one above the other.

D is a tape or flexible strip, which is secured to the inner portion of the collar-band just at one side or near the button-hole and of sufficient length so that it may be passed first through the button-hole of the opposite part of the collar-band, then through the button-hole upon the part of the band to which

the tape is attached, and, lastly, through a hole made in the central and rear portion of the collar, tie, or scarf which is to be passed around the neck, although, if desired, this fastening of the scarf may be dispensed with and the two parts of the collar-band only be secured by this means.

E is a pin, which is made by bending a piece of wire so as to form a tongue *e* of sufficient length to pass through the tape. This tongue is also curved inwardly at the center, so that the tape will lie in this depression or curve and will not have a tendency to slip toward either end. The wire is thence bent backward parallel with the tongue upon each side, and passing around beneath the bight, where the wire is folded to form the end of the tongue *e*. This last band, passing beneath the point of the pin, presses against it, and the metal of the pin, being elastic, holds it in place and prevents its coming out after having been introduced. It will be seen that this pin, lying flat on the back of the collar or tie, as the case may be, will make no sensible addition to the thickness, and by reason of the tapes or flexible strips no pressure will be brought upon the back of the neck. These tapes may be attached to both sides of the overlapping ends of the bands, so that either one may be used to fasten with, as may be desired by the wearer. A similar tape may be attached to the front of the shirt, as shown at F, and this, passing through the button-hole of the front of the collar-band and through the two overlapping ends of the collar at the front, can be secured in like manner by a similar pin; or, if preferred, the tape may have a button-hole through which the collar-button is passed before putting it through the hole in the collar-band and in the ends of the collar. This tape, when used in this manner, will prevent the loss of the collar-button.

In many cases where ready-made shirts and collars are ill-fitting, it may be found desirable to fix tapes upon each side of the band, between the back and front, and to make corresponding button-holes in the band and collar, so that with pins at these points also all points can be secured.



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

A means for attaching independent collars  
5 to shirt-bands, consisting of flexible folded  
tapes permanently fixed to the shirt-band  
near the button-holes in the band, and passed  
through said button-holes and corresponding  
ones in the collar, in combination with a pin  
10 passing through the bights of the flexible  
tapes, said pin having a tongue long enough

to pass through the fold of bight of the tape,  
and having its central portion depressed,  
whereby the tape is held from slipping, as  
herein described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
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