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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.



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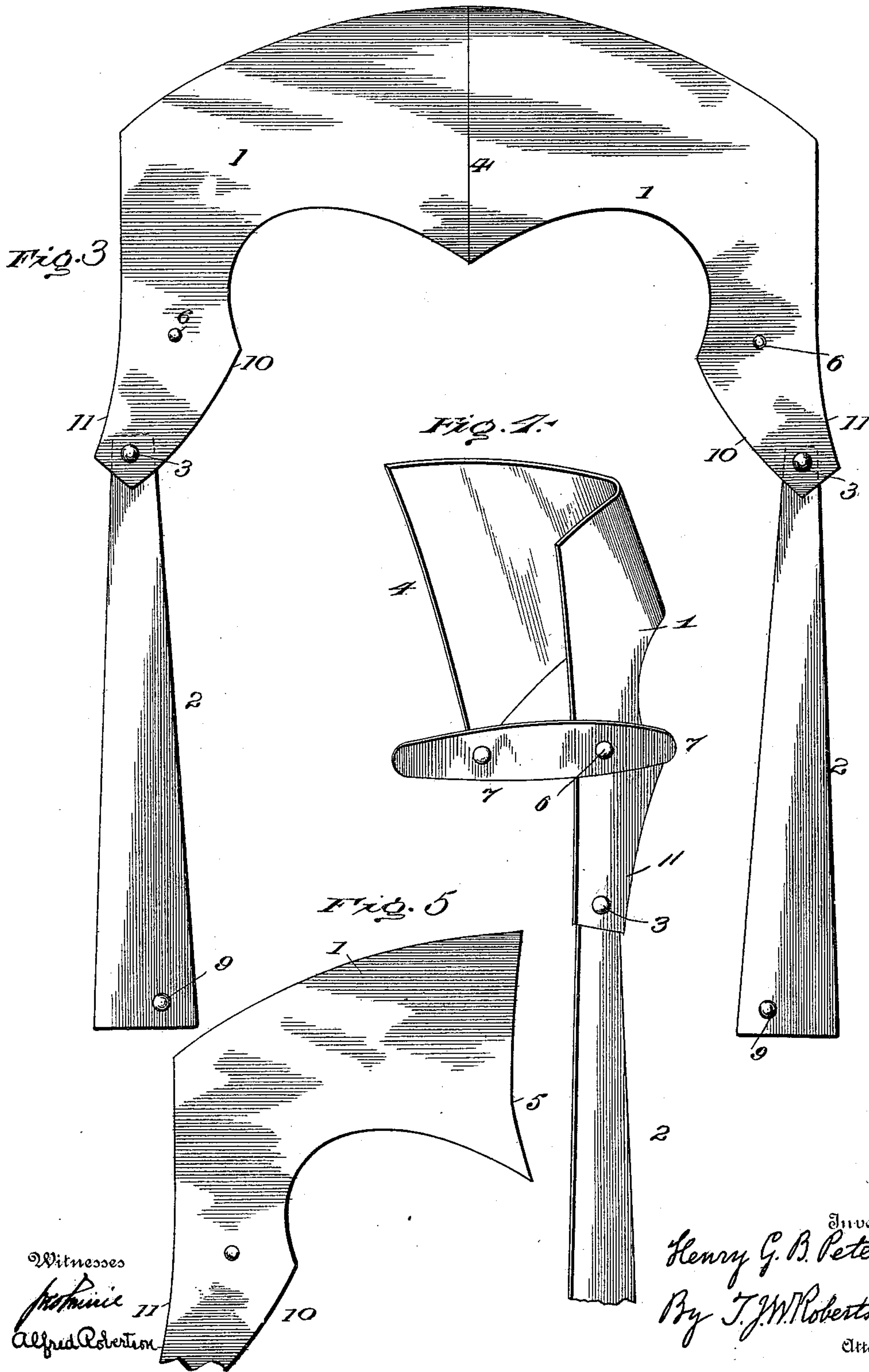
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY G. B. PETERS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Collarets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This improvement relates to that class of collarets preferably made of fur or feathers; but it may be used in connection with such articles when made of cloth or any other suitable material.

The object of the invention is twofold—first, to provide a collaret which will present the same surface outside whether turned down over the shoulder or worn up against the back of the neck and head, and, secondly, to allow the tabs to be readily disconnected and used for cuffs.

To these ends the invention consists in the peculiar construction hereinafter more particularly described, and then definitely claimed at the end hereof.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the collaret turned down and the tabs in position. Fig. 2 is a similar view with the collaret turned up and the tabs worn as cuffs. Fig. 3 is a plan of the pattern from which the collaret is made, with the tabs connected thereto. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one-half of the pattern represented as turned up. Fig. 5 is a plan of part of one-half of the collaret laid flat.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by numerals, 1 1 represent the two halves of the main part of the collaret, each of which carries at its lower end a tab 2, preferably formed separately and attached to the collar part by some readily-detachable fastening device, preferably a separable button 3, such as is used for glove-fastenings. The contiguous back edges 4 of the two halves of the collar are formed with a slight curve or angle, as shown at 5 in Fig. 5, so as to cause the collar to set properly when worn either up or down.

At the centers of the lower ends of the collar proper are set the male parts 6 of a separable button, which are designed to enter the female parts 7 of said buttons, which are at-

tached to a strap 8, that crosses from one side of the collar to the other to secure said collar in place. The upper end of each tab should be provided with the male half of the button 3 by which it is attached to the collar, and its lower end should carry a female half 9 of a similar button, so that the tab may be removed from the collar, and then by setting the male half of button 3 into the female half of button 9 the tab may be used as a cuff, if desired.

To wear the collaret turned down, as shown in Fig. 1, it should be so set on the shoulders in such a manner that the edges 10 10 will come together and then the strap 8 buttoned in place.

To wear the collar turned up, it should be reversed and the edges 11 11 brought together and the collar fastened by the strap 8, which must also be reversed, as before.

It is evident that the tabs may be worn either on the collar or as cuffs in either position of the collar.

By this construction I am enabled to provide a collaret which may be worn either up or down, as desired, and yet always have the same surface outside, which is a great advantage, because it is unnecessary to have both sides of the collar made of fur, which is a great saving of expense in the manufacture, and, moreover, my improvement has the further advantage that the fur never comes in contact with the back of the neck and head, and thus becomes worn or soiled from perspiration, which is a great cause of complaint, especially when the collar is made of light-colored fur or its equivalent material. Besides this, as before explained, the collaret being capable of wear either with long or short ends by reason of the detachable tabs a person purchasing such a collaret has the advantage of appearing to possess two collarets and the cuffs besides, when the latter are detachable.

I do not intend to limit myself to the exact cut shown in the pattern, as it is evident that this may be changed somewhat without departing from the spirit of my invention. For instance, instead of the upper portion being made in two parts, with the adjoining edges curved, as indicated in Fig. 5, it may be made integral and blocked to shape.

In some cases I may permanently attach the tabs; but I prefer to make them detachable, as shown.

I deem it important that the button connecting the strap to the ends of the collaret be set substantially central between the sides 10 and 11, because this will make the strap fit in either position of the collar. I also deem it important that the tabs should be loosely connected with the ends of the collar, for it is necessary that each tab should swing on its connection as a center in order that it may hang in line with the side 10 or 11, according to whether the collar is worn up or down.

What I claim as new is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a collaret having a curved back edge, the inner or neck portion formed on smaller curves than the back, their meeting-point being nearly opposite the center of said curved back edge, the ends formed with the sides 10 and 11, and fastening means adapted to hold either pair of sides together, whereby the collaret may be worn against the neck or over the shoulders with the same surface outside, substantially as described.

2. A collaret, provided with detachable flat tabs having means whereby the said tabs may be detached and each fastened together to form a cuff, substantially as described.

3. The combination with a collaret, of separate tabs on the ends thereof, each tab being loosely suspended on a single point from one of said ends so as to swing thereon when

the collaret is reversed, substantially as described.

4. A collaret comprising the two halves 1, 1, having their contiguous back edges curved substantially as described, the detachable tabs 2 suspended therefrom by readily-detachable fastenings, and provided with fastening means at their opposite ends whereby they may be converted into cuffs, and the strap 8 attached centrally to one end of the collaret and adapted to turn in either direction to lap over the other end, as set forth.

5. A reversible collaret comprising the neck part 1, 1, having its ends cut substantially on the lines 10 and 11, and a strap 8 attached to one end of the collaret centrally between the lines 10 and 11, whereby said strap may turn in either direction to lap on the other tab, substantially as described.

6. A collaret comprising the neck portion 1, 1, having tapering ends provided with fastening means near their lower extremities, detachable tabs also provided with fastening means, and a strap 8 attached centrally to one end of the collaret, and adapted to turn in either direction to lap over the other end, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses, this 2d day of April, 1898.

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