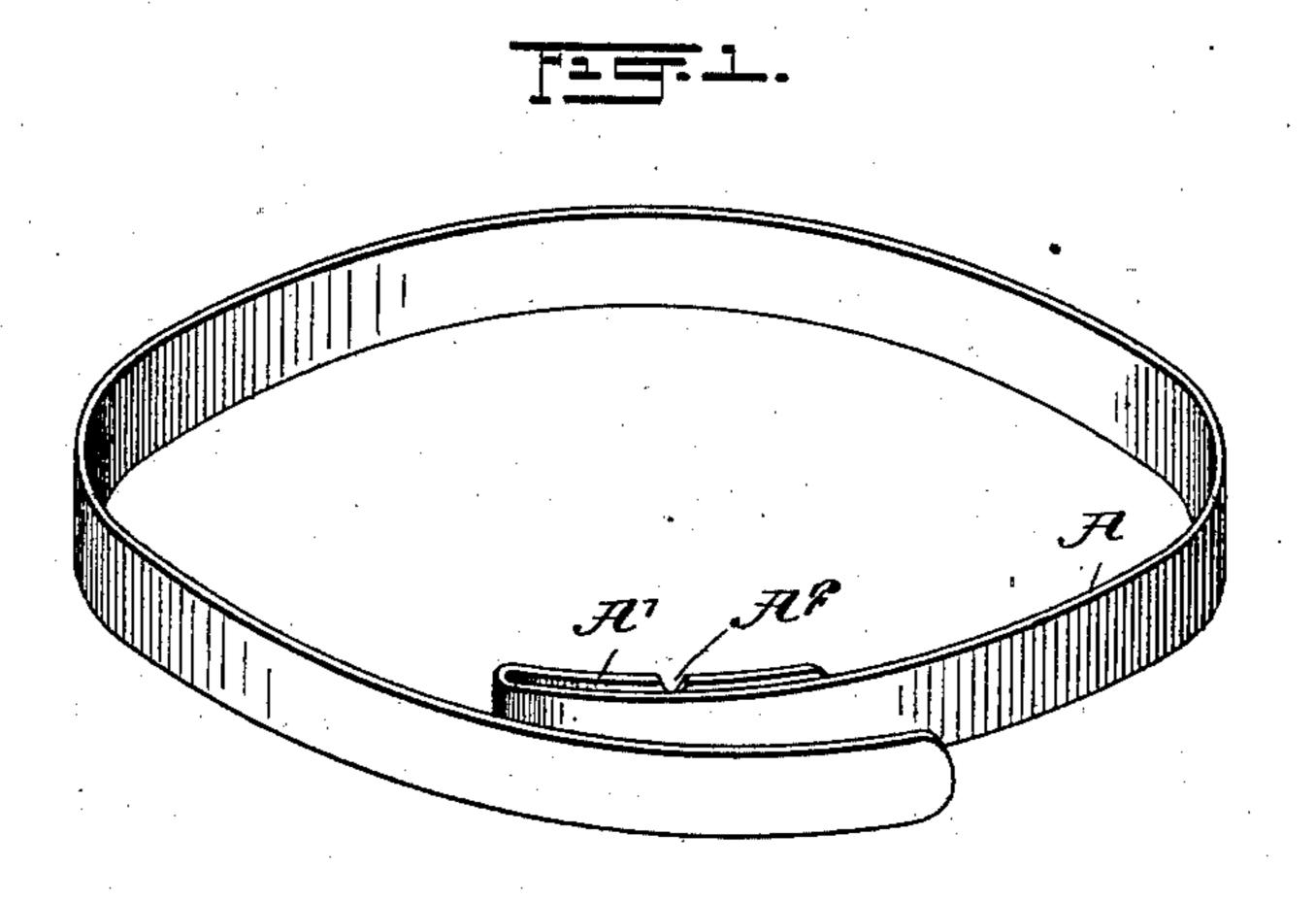
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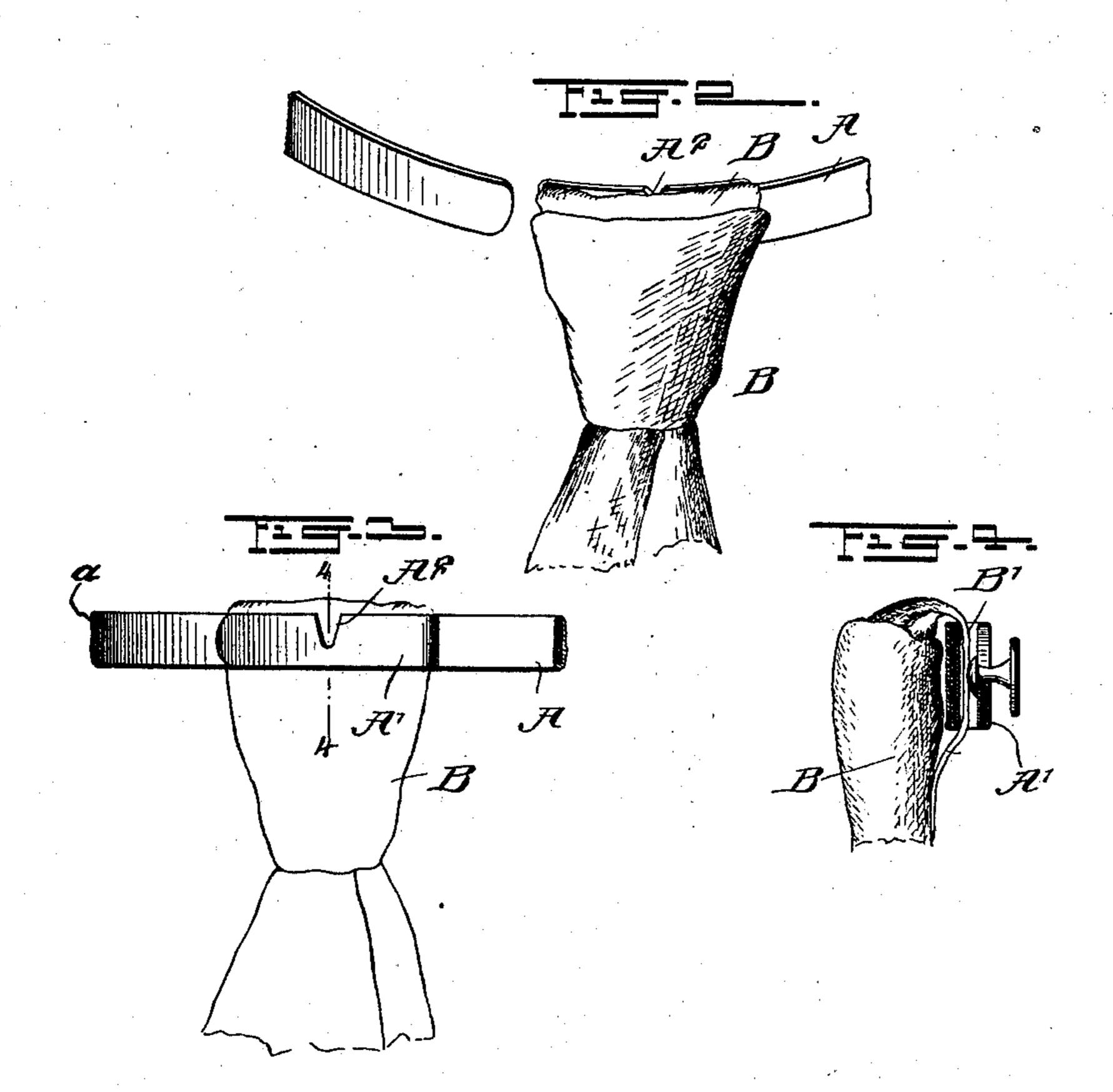
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## NECKTIE-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNEST KIENE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Spokane, in the county of Spokane and State 5 of Washington, have invented new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Fasteners, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact de-

scription.

The invention relates to ready-made scarfs, 10 bows, and similar neckwear; and its object is to provide a new and improved necktie-fastener which is simple and durable in construction and readily applied to and arranged to securely hold the tie properly in position 15 and to allow of removing the tie at any time and replacing it by another of the same or of a different style.

The invention consists of novel features and parts and combinations of the same, as 20 will be fully described hereinafter and then

pointed out in the claims.

A practical embodiment of the invention is represented in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which 25 similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the neckband. Fig. 2 is a like view of the necktiebody applied on the neckband. Fig. 3 is an 30 inside view of the same, and Fig. 4 is an enlarged transverse section of the same on the

line 4 4 in Fig. 3.

The improved necktie-fastener consists, essentially, of a band A, preferably made of a 35 spring material, such as steel, inclosed in a suitable fabric covering, as shown at  $\alpha$  in Fig. 3, or painted or otherwise ornamented. One end A' of the band A is turned back or doubled up, as shown in Fig. 1, and the said 40 band is adapted to pass through a loop B', formed on the back of the necktie-body B, of any proper construction. The loop B' is moved to the end of the band A, so that the doubled-up portion A' extends on the back 45 of the loop, as plainly shown in Figs. 2 and 3, and in applying the necktie-fastener on the wearer's neck the band is passed around the collar, and then the free end of the band A is passed into the loop B', as indicated in Figs. 50 3 and 4.

The middle portion of the doubled-up end A' is preferably formed with a notch A<sup>2</sup>, extending from the top edge downward, to engage the shank of the collar-button to prevent 55 the necktie from slipping up on the collar

when in use. By having the doubled-up end A' the necktie-body B is prevented from accidentally slipping over the band A, and at the same time the doubled-up end forms a means to prevent the necktie from creeping 60 up on the collar by the notch A<sup>2</sup> engaging the shank of the collar-button. By making the band A of a spring material it readily fits the collar and by its closing tendency holds the necktie-body in proper position on 65 the front of the collar.

From the foregoing it is evident that the user of the tie can readily slip the necktiebody off the band A and replace it by another of the same or of a different style.

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

1. A necktie-fastener composed of a strip of material bent into approximately circular 75 form constituting a neckband and having one end of the strip returned for a short distance within the band, such returned portion extending adjacent to and approximately parallel with that portion of the band within 80 which it lies, and terminating at its free end adjacent to the body of the band and provided in the upper edge of said returned portion with a notch for engagement by the shank of a collar-button as set forth.

2. The combination of a necktie having a loop at the back, and the collar-button, of the holder composed of a strip of material formed into a neckband and having one end returned for a short distance within the band 90 and extending outside of the loop at the back of the tie and provided in the edge of said returned portion with a notch for engagement by the collar-button, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. A necktie-fastener, comprising a neckband of spring material for engaging a collar and a loop of a necktie, the said band having one end turned back or doubled up on the outside of the loop at the back of the tie, the 100 said doubled-up end having a notch for engaging a collar-button, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of

two subscribing witnesses.

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