

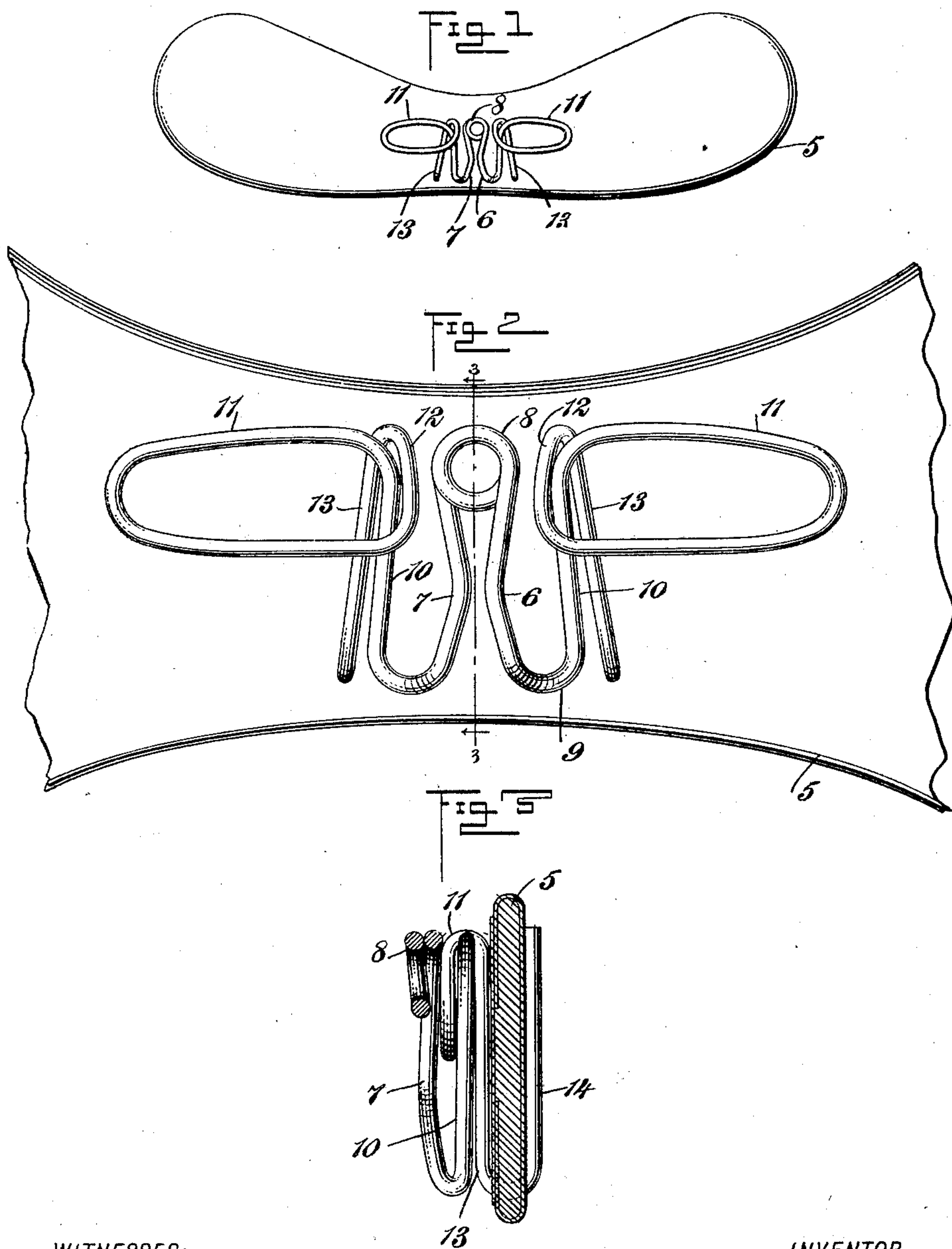
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PHILIP M. LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Necktie-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to improvements in necktie-holders, and particularly in a clip member attached to a shield and adapted to engage with a collar-button; and the object is to provide a holder-clip so formed as to engage yieldingly against the back of the shield and at a considerable distance from its center, thus preventing the bending and consequent breaking of the shield at the center, but permitting it to conform to a collar.

I will describe a necktie-holder embodying my invention and then point out the novel features in the appended claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a back view of a shield and a necktie-holder embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view, but drawn on a larger scale; and Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3-3 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawings, 5 designates a shield of the ordinary construction, to the front of which a bow or other shaped tie is to be secured. The button-engaging clip consists of a single length of spring-yielding wire bent to form the opposite jaws 6, 7, which are connected at the top by a coil 8, which is substantially parallel with the shield and permits of a considerable latitude of movement between the two jaws. From the coil portion 8 the jaws converge to about a central point and then are turned outward or divergent. The lower portions are then curved outward,

as at 9, then upward, as at 10, and then from the upper portion the wire is turned outward to form wing-like projections 11, which engage loosely against the rear side of the shield and at a considerable distance from the transverse center thereof. The ends of these wing portions are curved upward, as at 12, and then downward, as at 13, terminating in hook portions 14, which pass through openings in the lower portion of the shield and engage against the front side thereof. These hook portions 14 of course will be covered by the necktie.

The operation of the device is quite obvious—that is, the shield is to be placed underneath a turn-down collar and the jaws 6 and 7 engaged over the shank of the collar-button.

It will be noted that the lower portions of the parts 12 engage against the outer sides of the parts 10, which prevents the jaws from being bent or deflected outward from the shield.

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

In a necktie-holder, a clip consisting of a single length of wire bent to form jaw members, the wire at the lower portions of the jaws being curved outward, then upward as at 10, then laterally to form wing portions, the inner lower ends of the wings being engaged against the outer sides of the parts 10, and then turned upward, and then downward, terminating in hooks, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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