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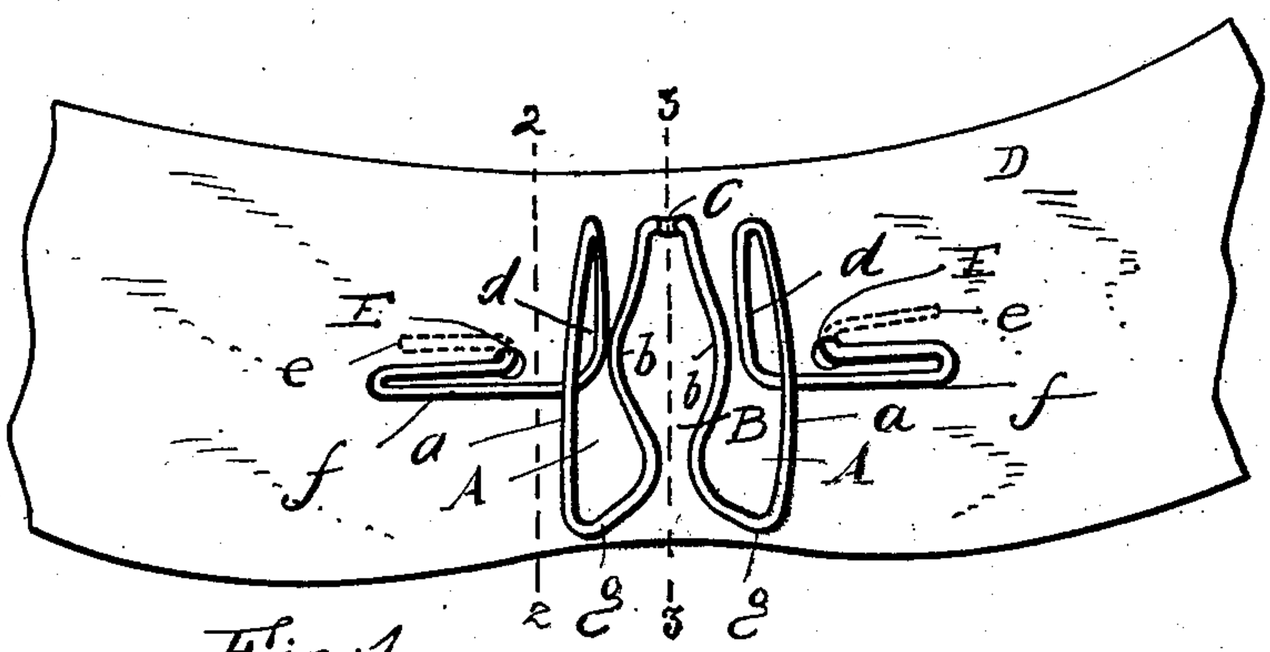
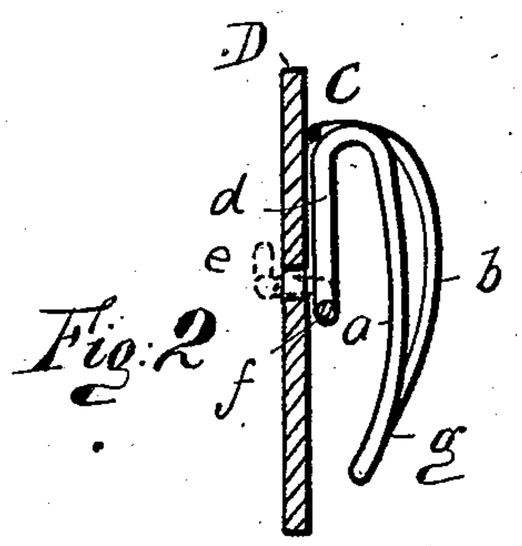


Fig. 1.



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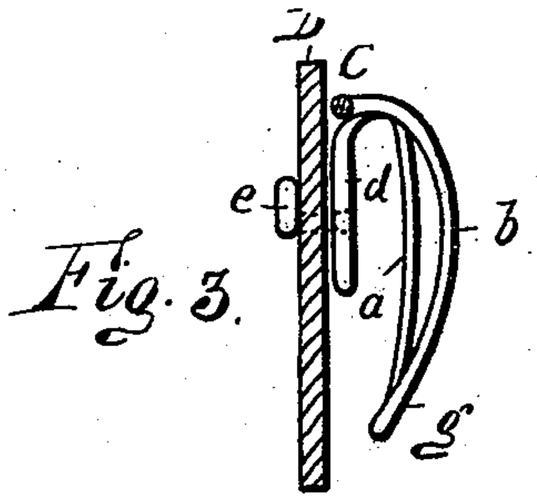

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH WEIL, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, borough of Manhattan, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to necktie-fasteners.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved necktie-fastener for holding a necktie-bow on a collar-button, and which fastener is simple in construction, strong and durable, stiffens the bow-shield at the center, holds the bow securely on the collar-button, and which is so shaped as to prevent the clamping-jaws from passing into the buttonhole when the bow is applied on the collar-button.

In the accompanying drawings, in which like letters of reference indicate like parts in all the figures, Figure 1 is a face view of the inner side of a shield provided with my improved necktie-fastener, parts of the shield being broken away. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a sectional view on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1.

The fastener is made of a single and continuous piece of spring-wire, which is bent to form the two substantial U-shaped jaws A A, each having an outer shank *a* and a bent inner shank *b*, a spring-eye B open at the bottom being thus formed between the two bent inner shanks *b*, and which spring-eye serves to receive and hold the stem of the collar-button. At the top of the spring-eye B the two inner shanks *b* are united, as shown at C. At the upper end of each outer shank *a* the wire is curved to the rear and bent downward to form the arm *d*, which is behind the shank *a* and rests upon the face of the shield, and at the free end of the arm *d*, which is at about half the height of the fastener, the wire is bent at right angles to form the laterally-extending arm *f*, also resting on the face of the shield, and at the free end of the arm *f* the wire is doubled on itself toward the shank *a*, and a greater or less distance from the shank *a* the wire is passed through an aperture E in the shield D and doubled over or clenched on the opposite face of the shield, as shown at *e* in dotted lines, and whereby the fastener is held securely on the shield.

In fasteners of this general type the prongs A are apt to pass into the buttonhole when applying the fastener on a collar-button, and to prevent this the lower free ends of the prongs A are curved inward toward the face of the shield, as shown in the drawings at *g*. The lower ends of the prongs are thus always guided over the edges of the buttonhole and cannot catch on the same or pass into the buttonhole.

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

1. A neckwear-fastener composed of a piece of wire bent to form arms which are to rest against a shield, at the upper ends of which arms the wire is curved and bent downward to form two substantially U-shaped jaws forming a separable spring-eye open at one end, the free end parts of said jaws being inclined toward the plane of the arms that are to rest on the shield, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

2. A neckwear-fastener composed of a single piece of wire bent to form two substantially U-shaped jaws forming a separable spring-eye, open at one end, each jaw having an inner and an outer shank and the inner shanks of the two jaws being united at the closed end of the spring-eye, and the wire at the upper end of the outer shank of each jaw being bent downward in a plane behind that of the jaw, then bent to extend laterally in the same plane as the downwardly-extending part and then bent and returned on itself toward the jaw in the same plane with and adjacent to the lateral part, the free end of the wire being bent to form a clenching-arm, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 17th day of July, 1902.

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