

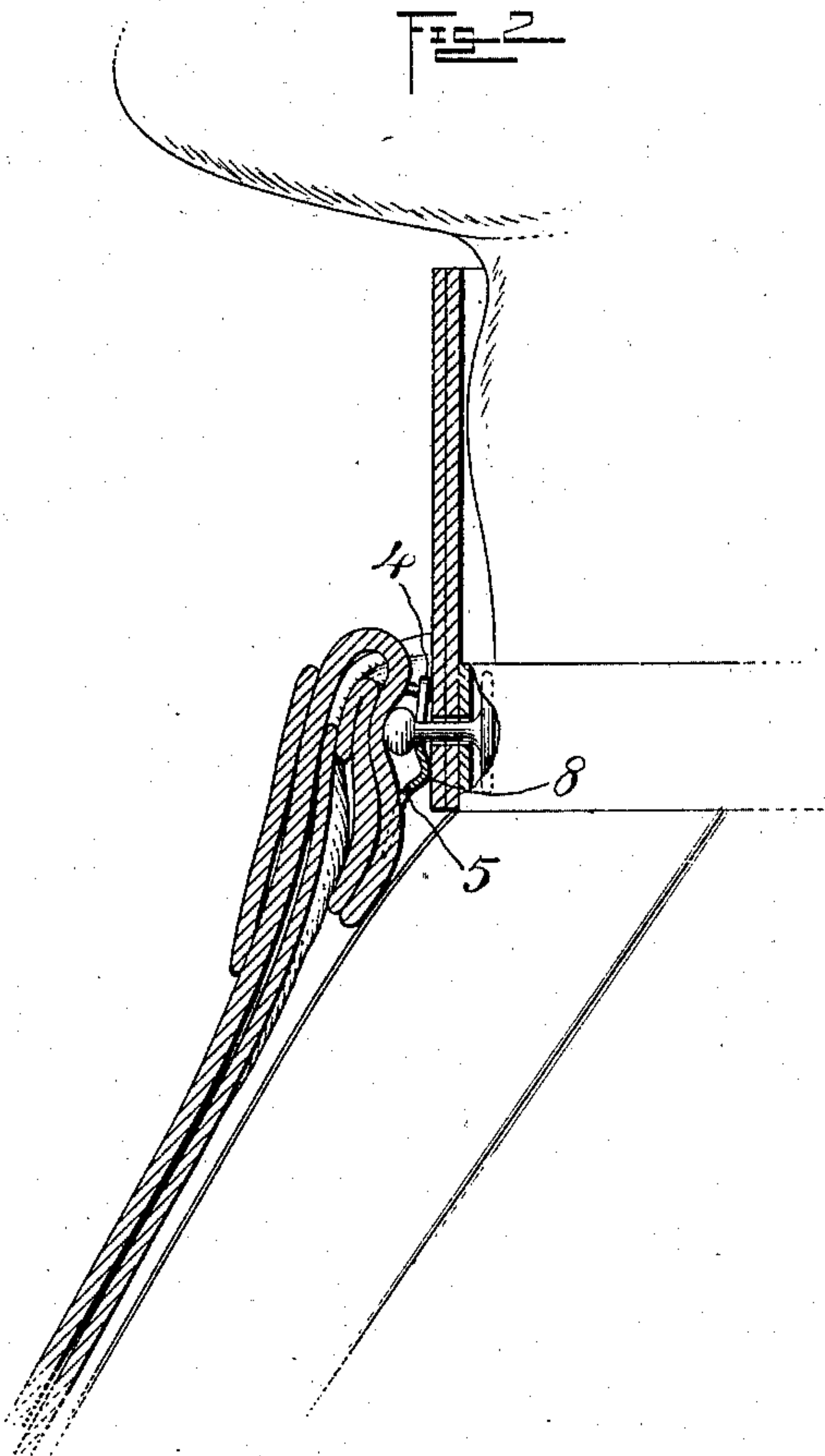
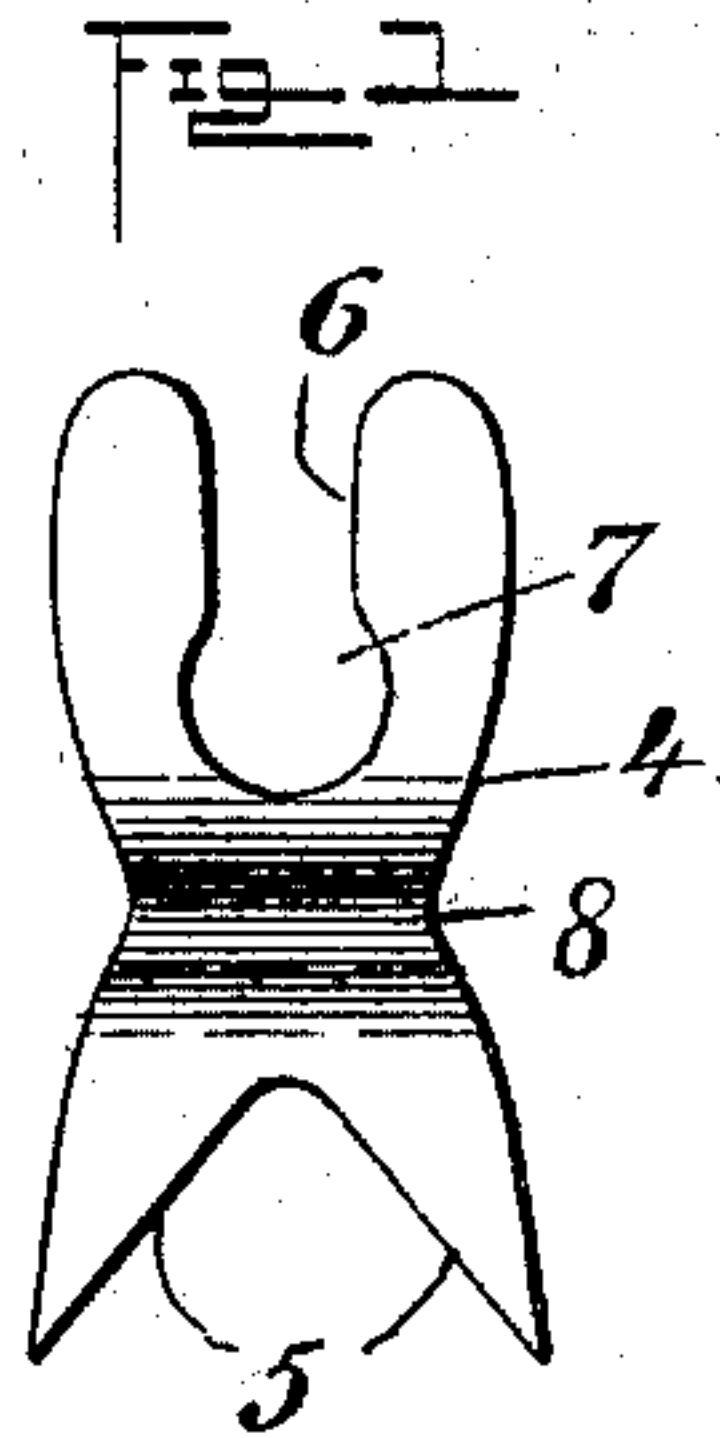
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NECKTIE-RETAINER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MATTHEW CHARLES LEWELLYN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Retainers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to an improved means for retaining a necktie in place, and especially for preventing its moving upward on the collar and shirt-front.

The object of this invention is to provide a device that can be readily applied to a necktie after it is put in position that will effectually prevent the displacement of the tie and will keep it from moving upward.

Broadly stated, my invention comprises a strip or plate that has suitable projections at one end arranged to engage the tie, while the opposite end contains a slot or similar means for engaging a portion of the adjacent wearing-apparel.

With these objects in view and others my invention comprises the construction and arrangement substantially as hereinafter set forth, and then particularly pointed out in the claims.

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 both the figures.

Figure 1 shows in front elevation a device embodying my invention, and Fig. 2 shows in vertical section the device as in use.

Referring now to the accompanying drawings, 4 indicates a strip or plate, preferably made of somewhat rigid sheet metal. The lower portion of the plate has prongs 5, ending in sharp points, and the upper portion contains a slot 6, having an enlarged portion 7 at the inner end thereof. The two portions of the plate are connected by a central neck portion 8. The upper slotted portion is curved, as shown in Fig. 2, and the prong extremity is set at a slight angle with the slotted end portion. After the necktie has been properly adjusted the plate is passed upward under the tie, so that the shank of the collar-button enters the slot 6 and lies in the bottom 7 thereof. The curve of this end of the plate will cause

the end of the slotted portion and the bend of the plate to be in contact with the collar, while the other face of the plate will engage the head of the collar-button, thereby tending to retain the device in engagement with the collar-button somewhat like a ball-and-socket joint. The necktie is now moved downward a short distance and the prongs 5 pressed against the tie, when it is moved up to its normal position, thereupon forcing the prongs into the tie, which will securely retain the necktie in its position and very effectively prevent the tie from rising; but as the plate is strongly engaged by the collar-button it will also serve to retard the lateral movement of the tie. Preferably I make the device out of hard rubber, but do not wish to limit myself to this material.

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

1. A tie-retainer comprising a plate having a top and a bottom portion and an integral neck portion connecting said top and bottom portions, the lower portion terminating in forked projections for temporary engagement with the necktie, the upper end having a slot for engagement with a collar-button, said slot being enlarged at its inner end, said neck portion being located about central between the top and bottom of the retainer and provided with a transverse rearwardly-extending bend, the portion of the holder below said bend being inclined slightly forward.

2. A tie-retainer, comprising a plate having a top and a bottom portion, and an integral neck portion connecting said top and bottom portions, the lower portion terminating in forked projections for temporary engagement with the necktie, the upper end having a slot for engagement with a collar-button, said neck portion being provided with a transverse rearwardly-extending bend, the portion of the holder below said bend being inclined slightly forward.

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

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