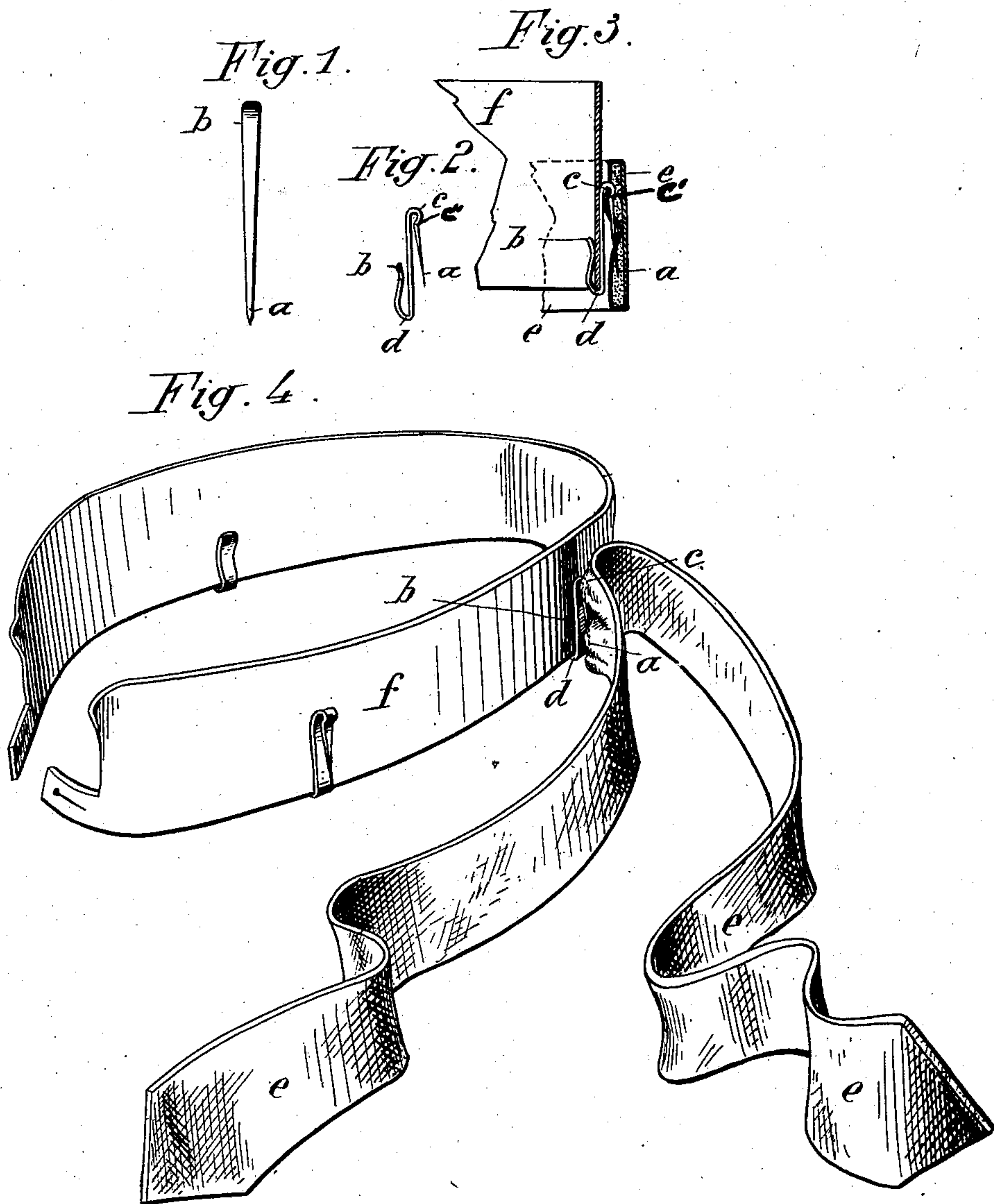


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## NECKTIE-BAND FASTENER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, AUGUSTE EMILE GUSTAVE MARIE LACON, a citizen of the French Republic, and a resident of Paris, France, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Band Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is a fastener intended to fix ties to collars in such a manner that the said ties can neither rise up nor slip upon the collars.

The different systems of fixing ties in vogue up to the present are without exception of a complicated manufacture, which is a great inconvenience. They require the use of springs, which very quickly lose their elasticity by reason of the oxidation produced by perspiration. Moreover, the greater portion of these clips fasten the lower end of the tie to the shirt-front, and owing to this, although the tie may be well fixed, it slips upon the collar whenever the shirt-front slips up, creases, or loses its stiffness. The fastener forming the object of this invention remedies these defects. It is formed of a metal pin flattened out at one end and pointed at the other, then folded in the form of an **S**, so as to constitute two hooks, one of which engages the lining of the tie, while the other, bent in the opposite direction, hooks under the collar, thus retaining the tie in place.

In the accompanying drawings, given by way of example, Figure 1 shows the form of the metal pin intended to form a fastener. Fig. 2 shows a finished fastener. Fig. 3 shows the fastener engaged in the lining of a tie and on a collar. Fig. 4 shows the fastener in position and holding the tie to the collar.

The tie-fastener shown in Figs. 1 to 4 comprises a metal pin *a b*, one end whereof is flattened and presents a surface of a certain width tapering down toward the other end *a*, where it terminates in a pointed end, thereby constituting a pin. This pin is bent into the form of an **S** in order to constitute two hooks *a c* and *b d*, one of which, *a c*, is intended to enter the lining *e* of the tie and the other end,

*b d*, hooks beneath the collar *f* in such a way as to maintain the tie by acting as a spring and to prevent it from rising up. The body portion of the fastener, together with the portions *c* and *a*, form an outwardly-curved portion at the upper end of the fastener, which is also bent inwardly toward the body portion and extended away at an angle to the body portion. From this inner end extends the hook portion *a*, which engages the tie. At the point where the inwardly-bent portion *c* joins the hook *a* is formed an impinging point of contact *c'*, adapted to more securely hold the tie by contact therewith. The flattened end *d* of the body portion is bent inwardly toward the body, this curved portion being adapted to receive the collar, and is then bent outwardly from the body to form a contacting portion *b*. The formation of this portion of the fastener produces an impinging spring member *b d*, which serves to hold the device securely upon the collar.

The above-described tie-fasteners can be fixed with the greatest ease at any part of the tie and as many as required; but it is only necessary to have a fastener at the back of the collar and one at each side of the tie-knot to completely maintain the same in place.

The tie-fastener described once applied is invisible, which is not the case with the fasteners hitherto employed. This fastener can also be made in all sizes and of any suitable material. By the peculiar shape of the spring forming ends of this fastener the spring portions are protected from the detrimental effect of perspiration when secured to the collar.

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

A tie-fastener comprising an integral metal pin formed with an enlarged flattened end and tapering to a point at its other end, the body portion of said pin being straight and the ends thereof being bent on opposite sides to form hooks, the pointed end being bent toward the body portion and then extended away from said portion at an angle thereto, thereby

forming a contacting point adapted to hold  
the tie more firmly within the fastener, and the  
flattened end of said body portion being first  
bent toward the body portion and then away  
5 therefrom, thereby forming a spring member  
with a contacting portion adapted to engage  
the collar and secure the fastener to the collar,  
substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand in presence of two witnesses.

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