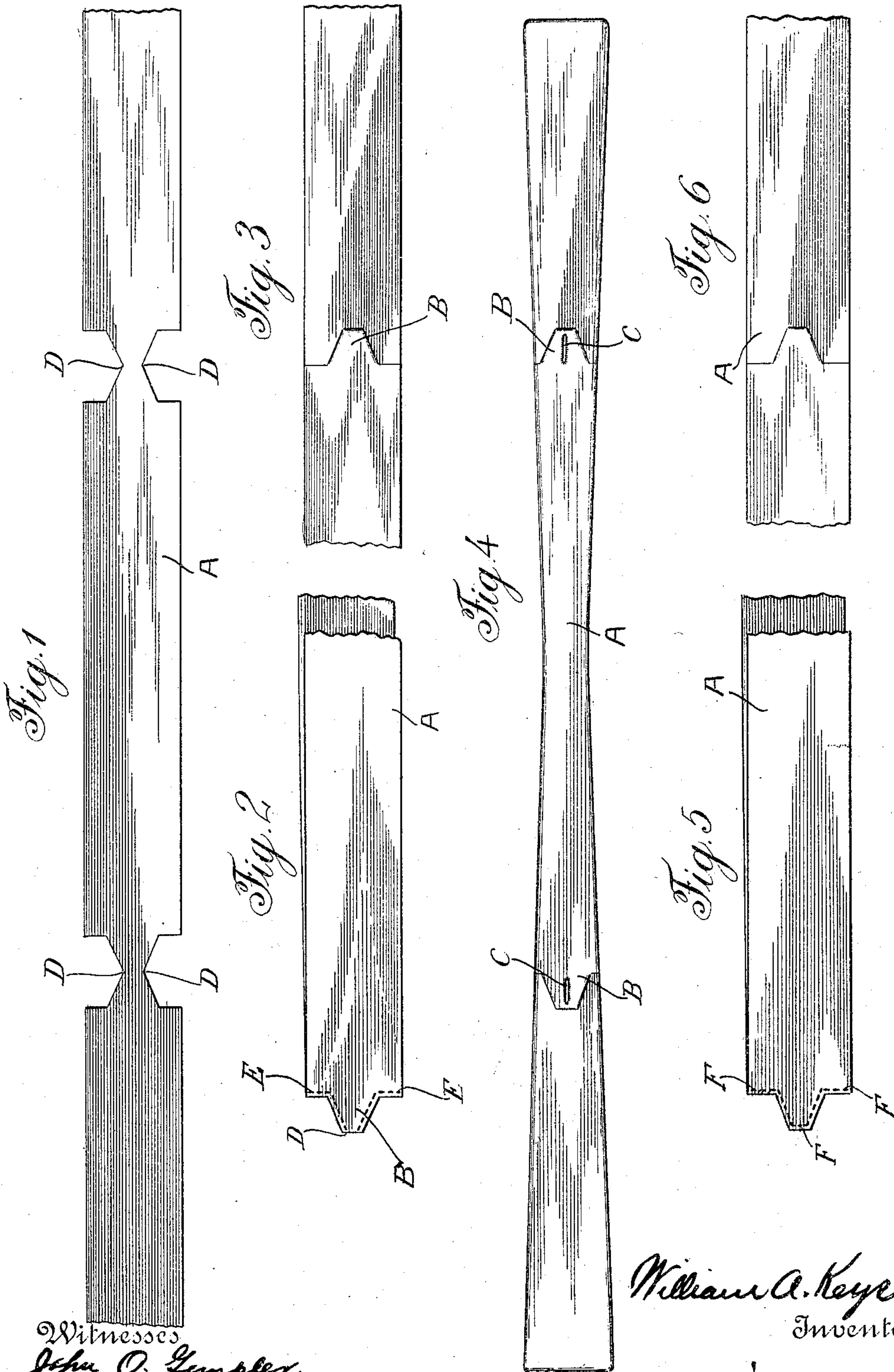


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. KEYS, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Neckties, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to neckwear; and it consists in the novel construction of ties whereby the strain is taken from the bow or knot. Heretofore neckties of this class have had tabs sewed on, which tabs it was found in use would pull off.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows the material for making the inner face of the tie. Figs. 2 and 3 show steps in the construction of the tie. Fig. 4 shows a completed tie as seen when looking at the inner face. Figs. 5 and 6 show modifications of Figs. 2 and 3.

In the drawings similar letters refer to similar parts.

A represents the material from which the inner face of the tie is made.

B B represent the tabs on the inner face of the tie for attaching the tie to the collar-button by means of the buttonholes C C. I prefer to make my improved tie by cutting the material for the inner face as shown in Fig. 1, then folding it on itself at the part marked D, and then stitching it up, as shown by the dotted lines E in Fig. 2. After it is stitched up in this way on the wrong side of the material it is unfolded, laid out flat, and the tab B turned right side out, as shown in Fig. 3, and then the buttonholes C C are placed in the tab for attaching same to the collar-button.

If desired, the material for the inner face may be cut in any desired shape or may be made in three pieces and stitched together, as shown in Fig. 5, by means of the row of stitching marked F, which, as will be seen, goes from one side of the material around the outer edge of the tab to the other side of the material, in that respect differing from Fig. 2, wherein the stitching does not cross the end of the tab, for the reason that the material in Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4 is in one piece.

Fig. 6 shows the modification of Fig. 5 after the material has been laid out flat and the tab turned right side out ready for the buttonhole.

By means of my improved tie it will be seen that all of the strain is evenly distributed on the part of the tie which encircles the collar, by reason of the tabs and the part of the tie which encircles the collar being in one piece. The tabs do not pull off when being adjusted on to the collar or pull off when being washed.

The operation of adjusting a tie constructed as shown in the drawings is to place the neckband around the collar in the ordinary way and attach the tabs B B to the collar-button in front of the collar by means of the buttonholes C C in said tabs B B. In this way the wearer can use the two end portions of the tie for tying a bow-knot, or a four-in-hand, or an Ascot, or any other desirable tie, and there will be no strain put upon the tie to disarrange it.

Modifications and changes might be made, such as folding the material on itself without cutting it out, as shown in Fig. 1, and then putting a buttonhole in the part so folded, thereby forming a tab with a buttonhole.

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

1. As an article of manufacture, a necktie consisting of a neckband and two end portions adapted to form a tie, and tabs on the inner face of the tie made by folding the material of the inner face on itself, substantially as set forth.

2. As an article of manufacture, a necktie consisting of a neckband and two end portions, these end portions being adapted to form a tie, and tabs on the inner side provided with a buttonhole adapted to fit over a collar-button, said tabs being integral with the inner face of the tie, substantially as set forth.

3. As an article of manufacture, a necktie consisting of a neckband and two end portions adapted to form a tie, and tabs made out of the same material as the inner face of the tie and integral with said inner face, said tabs provided with buttonholes adapted to fit over the collar-button, substantially as set forth.

4. As an article of manufacture, a necktie consisting of a neckband and two end portions adapted to form a necktie, and tabs on the inner face of the necktie, said tabs being made

by so cutting the material of the inner face of the tie so that when folded on itself it will form a tab, substantially as set forth.

5 5. As an article of manufacture, a necktie
consisting of a neckband and two end portions,
these end portions being adapted to form a tie,
and tabs on the inner face of the necktie, said
tabs being formed by cutting the material for
the inner face of the tie longer than the ma-
10 terial for the outer face of the tie and cutting
out a portion of the said material at the point
at which tabs are desired and folding the ma-
terial on itself at said point so as to form tabs,
substantially as set forth.

6. As an article of manufacture, a necktie 15
consisting of a neckband and two end portions
adapted to form a tie, and tabs on the inner
face of the tie made by cutting the material of
the inner face into three pieces, sewing same
together and folding same on itself, substan- 20
tially as set forth.

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