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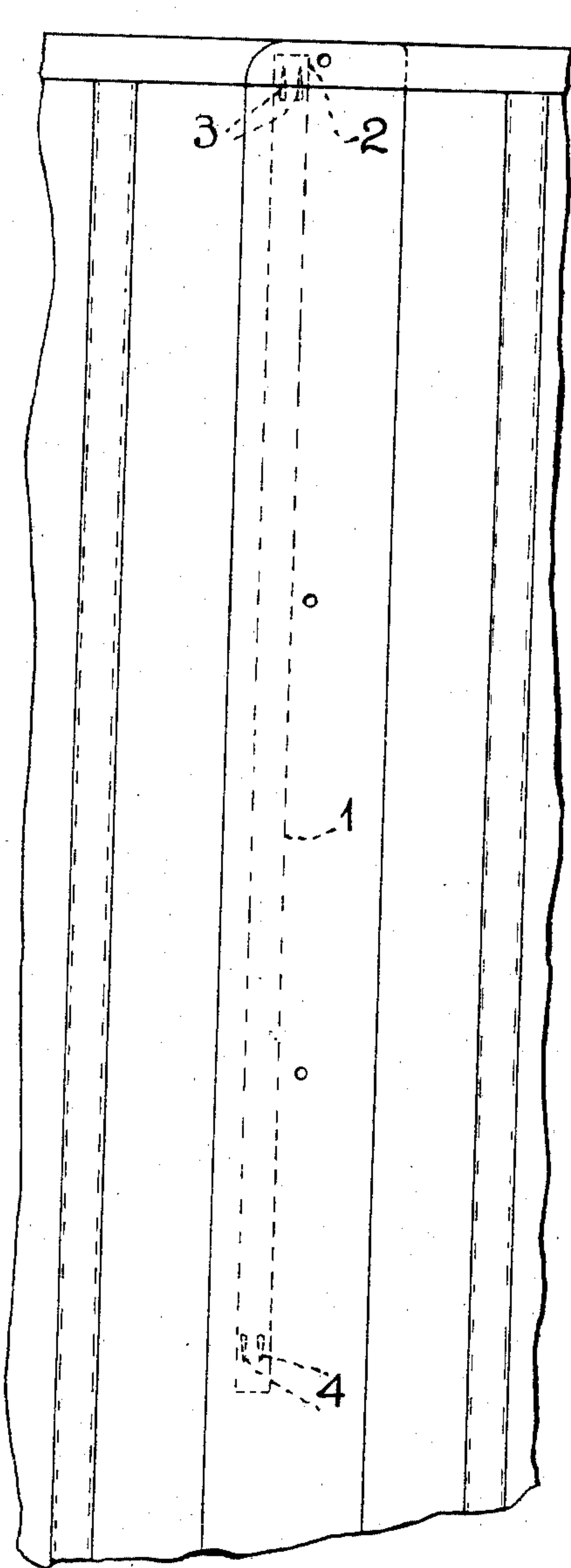


Fig. 1.

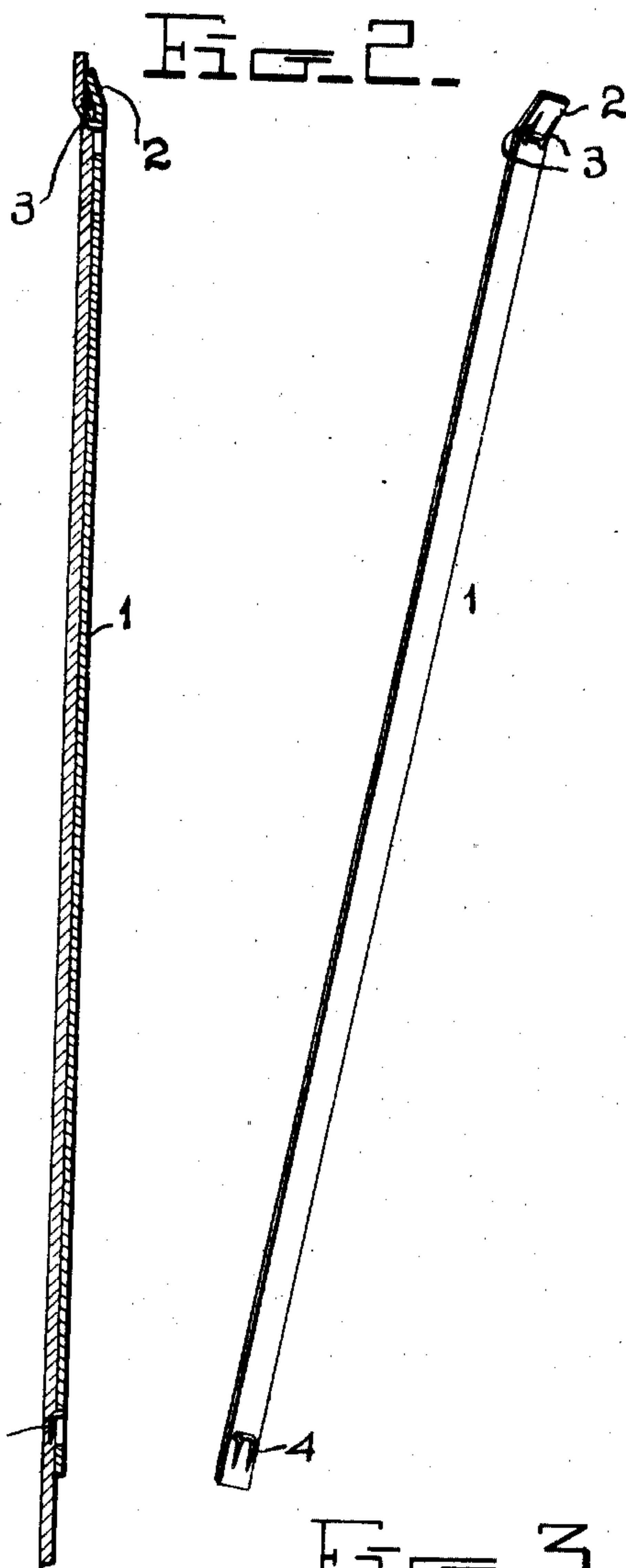
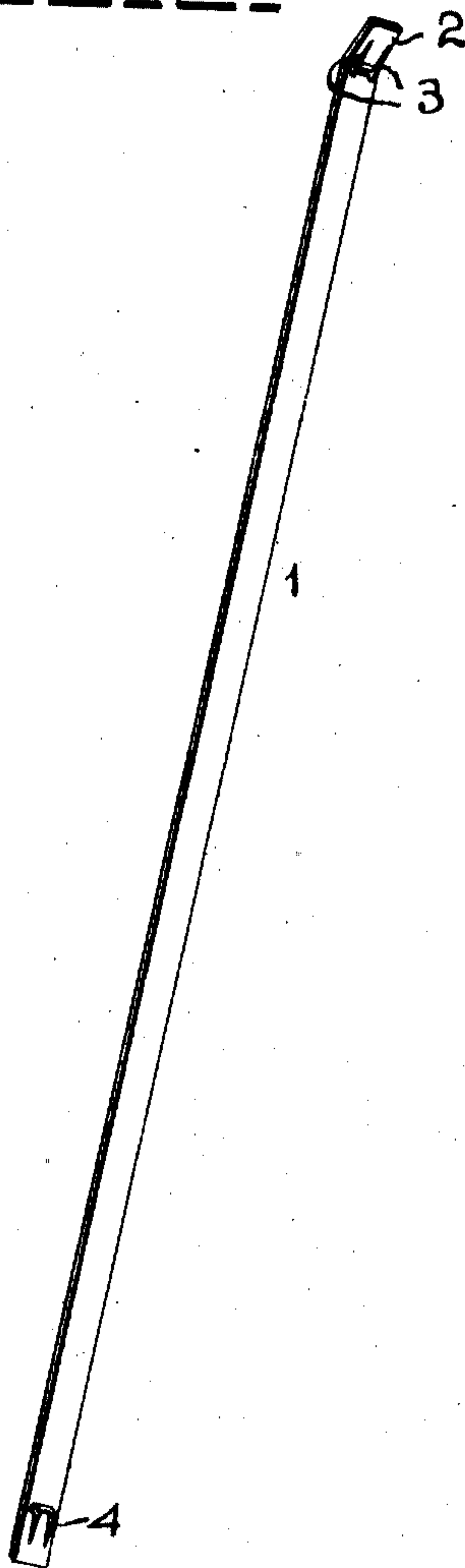


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALDO W. WORTH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brownville, in the county of Piscataquis and State of Maine, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirt Attachments; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to devices for preventing the bosoms of negligée shirts from puckering or rumpling, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide a simple and efficient device for holding the bosom of the shirt flat, and which may be quickly applied to and removed from the shirt.

Another object of my invention is to provide a device of the character described which will be adapted to be applied underneath the outer flap or lapel of the shirt front, where it will not be in sight, and which will effectually hold the bosom of the shirt down flat and not permit it to wrinkle or double transversely.

These and other objects are attained by the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a negligée shirt bosom, showing the holding device in dotted lines underneath the outer lapel of said bosom; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view taken through the lapel of the shirt and through the holding device, and showing the manner of attaching the holding device to the bosom; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the holding device detached from the shirt.

Referring to the accompanying drawings for a more particular description of my invention, 1 designates the holding device which is preferably made of a thin strip of spring metal, the upper end of which is bent at an angle to the body portion of the holder, as shown at 2, and prongs 3, either cut from the body of the strip or properly secured thereto, extend therefrom at an inclination parallel to the bent upper end of the holder, as shown. The points of the prongs 3 are protected by the extended bent end, so that these prongs cannot be injured by accidental contact in use. At the opposite end of the holder, prongs 4 are either cut from the body of the plate or secured thereto in any suitable manner, and are disposed in parallel relation to the body of the holder at a slight distance from its lower

end. These prongs are slender so as to enter the cloth more readily and are thus protected by the projecting end of the holder. In applying the device, the upper prongs 3 are inserted into or at a point near the neck-band of the shirt underneath the outer lapel, with the bent portion 2 in engagement with the shirt band upon the inside. The body of the holder is then slightly flexed or bent and the lower prongs are inserted within the material of the lapel, when upon releasing the holder, the shirt bosom will be stretched flat and will remain in this condition under all circumstances. The device can be readily removed when required and attached to another shirt and by attaching it between the button holes and the free edge of the lapel the shirt can be buttoned and unbuttoned without removing the device. The prongs at each end are preferably substantially parallel and are located at, or adjacent to the edges which will prevent the device from turning as upon an axis, and in case either of them becomes broken or damaged, the remaining prong can be used.

From the foregoing, it will be obvious that my device may be made of a strip of nickel-plated metal or of flattened wire, in which the prongs or barbs are cut from the body of the holder, or the prongs may be properly secured to the body portion. The inclined upper end of the holder and the projected lower end of the holder fully protect the prongs.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention, as defined by the appended claims.

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

An attachment for shirts comprising a flat strip of flexible material, one end of which is bent at an angle and adapted to engage with the shirt band, and two parallel, slender prongs at each end, substantially at the edges of the strip, those at the bent end being parallel with and at a slight distance from said bend, and those at the other end being parallel therewith, and at such a distance therefrom as to enter the cloth readily and at such a distance from the tip as to be protected thereby.

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

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