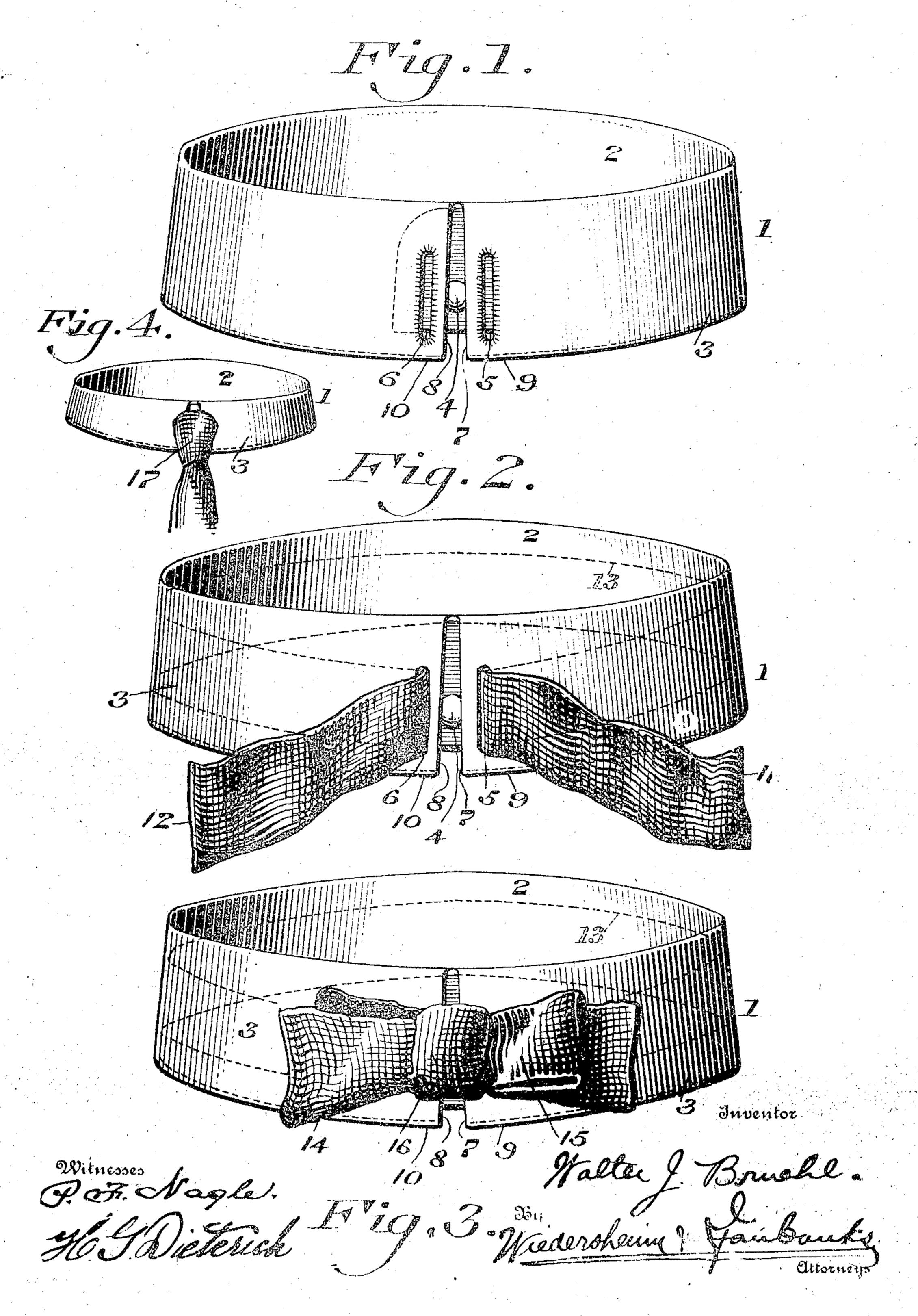
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Walter J. Bruehl, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Collar, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a novel construction of turndown collars, which are used about the neck by men and women and adapted to be buttoned to a garment and with which either a string or four-in-hand necktie is used and it consists in providing the outer fold or turndown portion of the collar with substantially parallel slits, whereby the band of the tie is retained in its proper position and prevented from accidental slipping or against displacement in any direction after being tied, while at the same time the combination improves the set of the collar and of the neck band.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a turndown collar embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a view similar to Fig. 1, but showing a string tie in position before being tied. Fig. 3 represents a view similar to Fig. 2, showing the tie tied. Fig. 4 represents a perspective view of my invention in use with a four-in-hand tie.

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responding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings: 1 designates a turndown collar embodying my invention, the same having the inner fold 2 and the 35 outer fold 3, the inner fold being provided with tabs of the usual construction and adapted to be buttoned upon the stud or collar button 4.

of the form of elongated button-holes which extend substantially vertical and are located in substantially parallel direction with the juxtaposed edges 7 and 8 of the outer fold 3, attention being called to the fact that the tie 45 retaining slits 5 and 6 are located in the outer fold or turndown portion 3, the position of the lower extremities of the tie retaining slits 5 and 6 with respect to the lower edges 9 and 10 of the outer fold 3 in the preferred construction being apparent from Fig. 3.

11 and 12 designate the ends or terminals of the string tie, the body portion 13 thereof occupying the position indicated dotted, in Figs. 2 and 3, it being understood that said ends 11 and 12 after tying, appear as indicated at the points 14, 15 and 16 in Fig. 3.

In Fig. 4 I have shown my invention as adapted for use with a four-in-hand tie, the latter being indicated at 17 and it being apparent that the tie retaining slits 5 and 6 in 60 both instances, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4, are perpetually concealed when the necktie is tied, whereby the tie, as well as the collar, has a neat and attractive appearance and is durable and economical in use.

It will be apparent that my invention, in its broad aspects, can be applied to any collar in use and in many respects, proves a comfort to the wearer and facilitates the tying of a more perfect and natty bow.

I am aware that it has been heretofore proposed to make an incision or slot in the inner band of a turndown collar and that it has also been proposed in standing collars, to make incisions or slots through which the 75 ends of a tie may be passed and to none of these constructions do I make my claim, since the present invention is confined to the use and location of the parallel slits in the outer or turndown portion of the collar.

It will furthermore be apparent to those skilled in the art that by having the slits or incisions in the outer folds, as I have illustrated the same, the neck band is firmly held upon the folds and passes through a 85 single layer of material only before being brought in position to be tied and the arrangement is such that the faces of the edges are firmly held a proper distance apart and the collar, its juxtaposed edges 7 and 8 and 90 the tie are firmly and reliably held in proper position.

It will be further evident that the fixed position of the tie protects ties from wear by the edges of the turn over collar and that 95 this advantage is particularly noticeable in four in hand ties.

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

In a device of the character described, a turn down collar, consisting of an inner and an outer fold, said outer fold being provided near its juxtaposed edges with substantially vertical slits extending through the main 105 body of the fold and through which the ends of a necktie are adapted to be inserted.

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