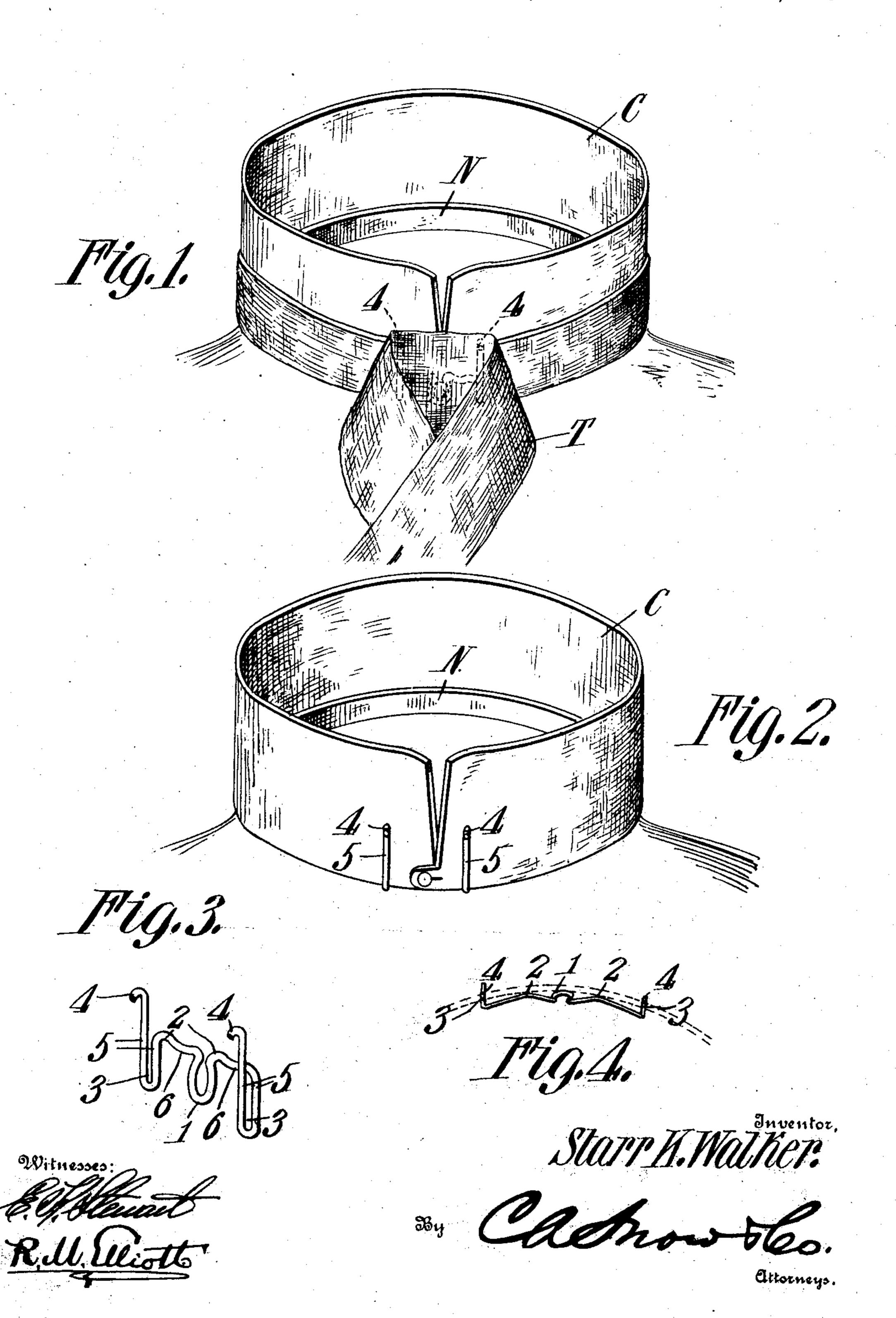
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STARR KING WALKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Colorado Springs, in the county of El Paso 5 and State of Colorado, have invented a new and useful Necktie-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to necktie holders. The object of the invention is to provide 10 an article of this character which shall be simple in construction, efficient and durable in use, and easy to manufacture, and which shall be invisible when assembled with a necktie, thereby obviating an objection pres-15 ent in many devices of this character.

With the above and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction and combination 20 of parts of a necktie holder, as will be here-

inafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate correspond-25 ing parts, Figure 1 is a view in perspective displaying the neck portion of a shirt with a collar and necktie thereon, the necktie fastener being displayed in operative position by dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a similar view, 30 with the necktie detached. Fig. 3 is a perspective detail view of the fastener or holder. Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the holder.

Referring to the drawings, N designates the neckband of a shirt, C a collar fastened 35 thereon, and T the necktie, which, in this instance, is of the Ascot type, although it is to be understood that the device of the invention is adapted for use in connection

with any style of tie.

The invention resides in the novel form of necktie holder shown in detail in Figs. 3 and 4. The holder is constructed from a length of resilient wire of any preferred metal, such as solid gold wire, or rolled plate wire, and is bent by a suitable means to provide a collar button engaging loop 1, which is of such shape that when sprung over the shank of the button it will be positively held against accidental separation therefrom.

50 From the loop, the wire is bent laterally to form two downwardly curved arms 2, then bent at right angles to the length of the arms, and then rebent to form two collar receiving crotches or clamps 3, the terminals of the wire being extended any desired dis-

tance above the arms 2 and curved or bent downward to provide two necktie engaging

hooks or members 4.

As will be seen by reference to Fig. 4, the device as a whole is longitudinally bowed to 60 conform to the contour of a neckband, and that the arms 5 are disposed at right angles to the length of the arms 2, or substantially so, to provide the crotches 3 and to position them in such manner as will best adapt them 65 to receive the lower edge of the collar. It will further be observed by reference to Fig. 4 that the intermediate portions of the arms 2 are laterally bent to provide offsets 6, and thus will bear against the inner side of the 70 collar and thereby assist in holding the clamps or crotches firmly in position, so that any tendency of the attachment to rock or work up and down will be precluded. A further feature of the construction is that 75 the bend of the loop 1 is arranged some distance above the bends of the clamping members 3, and when the device is assembled with a collar button, the coaction between the loop and shank of the button will operate 80 to force the clamping member upward against the lower edge of the collar.

In using the device, the loop 1 is first sprung around the shank of the collar button, and the collar is then secured in place 85 with its lower edges resting in the crotches of the clamping members, and with the necktie engaging hooks disposed exteriorly of the collar. The hooks 4 will be spaced such distance apart that when any kind of tie is 90 positioned around the collar, they will be completely hidden from view, as clearly shown in Fig. 1, so that the wearing of the attachment will not attract any attention.

The improvements herein defined, while 95 simple in character, will be found thoroughly efficient for the purposes designed, and will, in a practical manner, obviate an objection urged by many to the wearing of the so-called straight standing collar.

I claim:—

1. A necktie fastener embodying a collarbutton engaging loop and a pair of collarclamping members terminating in necktie engaging hooks, the fastener being provided 105 between the collar-clamping members and the button-engaging loop with collar-engaging offsets.

2. A necktie fastener comprising a length of wire bent to form a collar-button engag- 110

ing loop, a pair of longitudinal rearwardly-bowed arms, and a pair of clamping members terminating in necktie engaging hooks, the bowed portions of the arms constituting 5 collar-engaging offsets.

3. A necktie fastener comprising a length of wire bent to form a collar-engaging loop, thence bent laterally to provide a pair of arms the intermediate portions of which are 10 formed with collar-engaging offsets, thence bent at right angles to the length of the arms, and thence rebent to form a pair of

collar-clamping members, the terminals of which are formed into necktie engaging hooks, and the article as a whole being Ion- 15 gitudinally bowed to conform to the neck band of a shirt.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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