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Fig. 1.

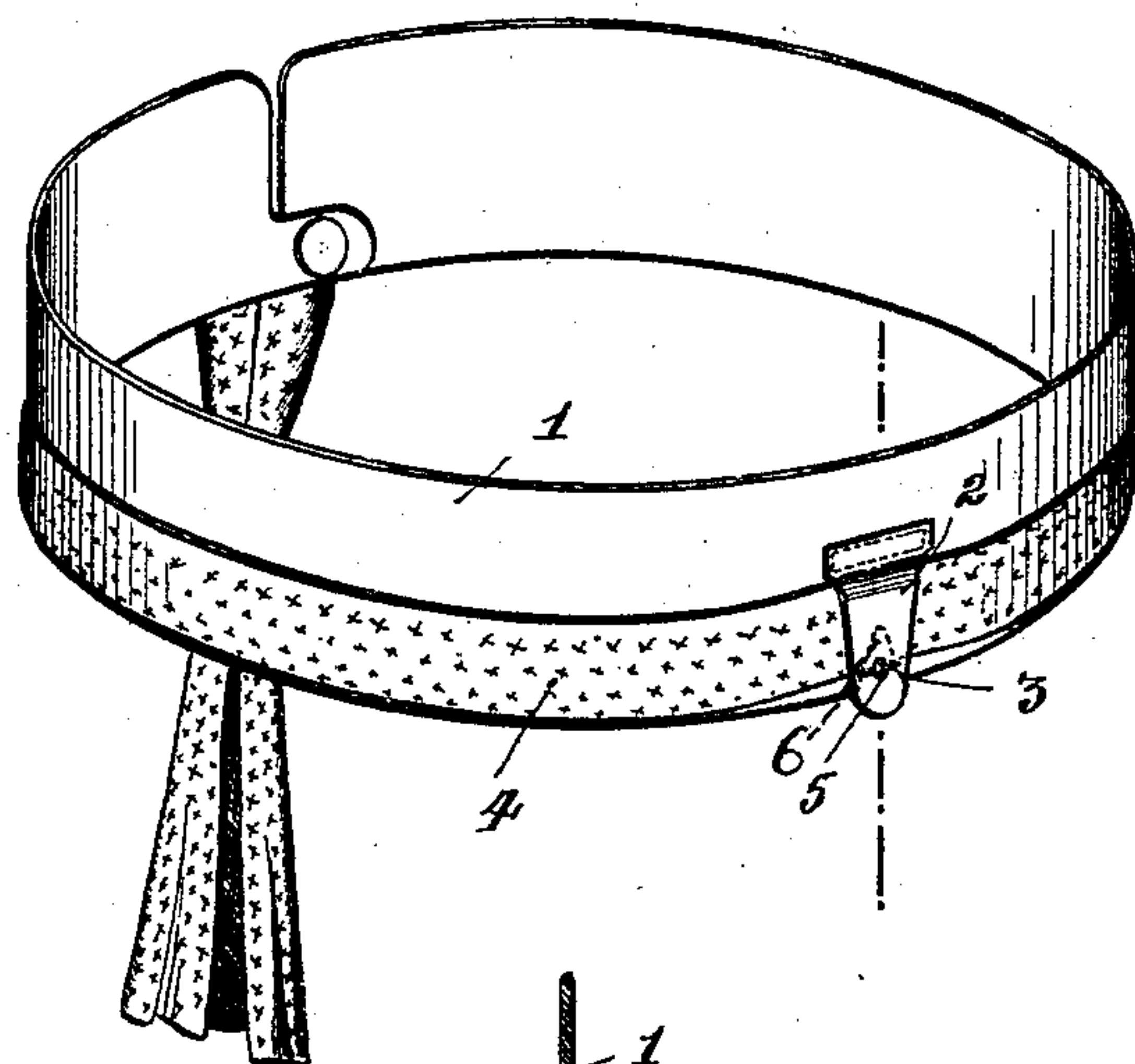
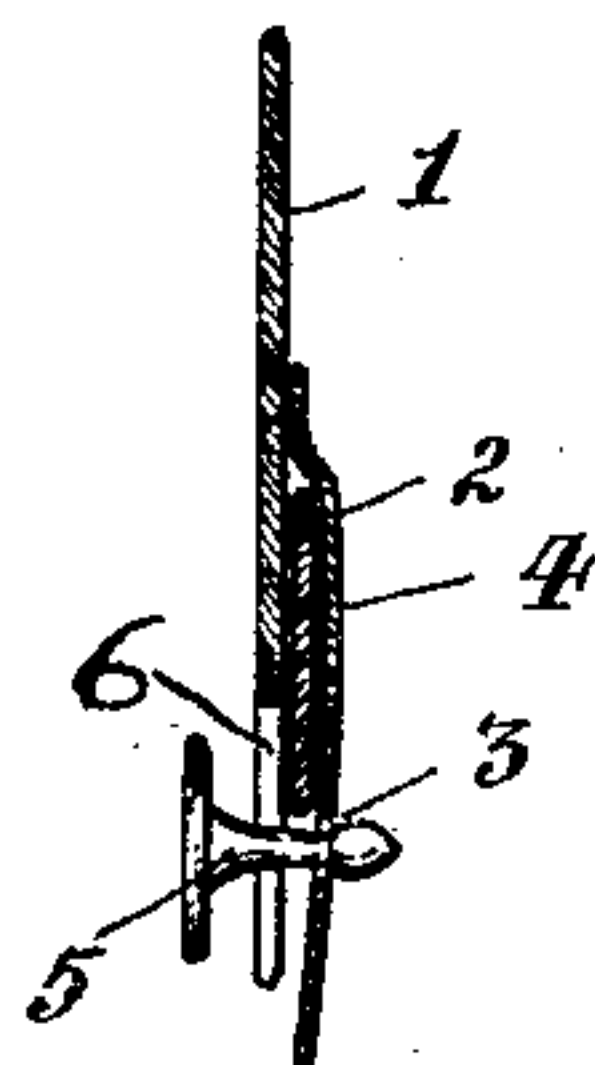


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES RYAN, a subject of the King of Great Britain and Ireland, residing at 35 Castlereagh street, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, in the Commonwealth of Australia, teacher of typewriting, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirt-Collars, of which the following is a specification.

10 The purpose of this invention is to provide a means whereby a necktie may be held in its proper position at the back of a detachable shirt collar more effectively and with greater comfort to the wearer than is possible with the existing arrangements.

15 To achieve the above purpose I substitute for the back stud-hole in the collar a deep incision preferably the shape of an inverted V over which is fastened a light tab carrying a stud-hole in the position hereinafter described.

I am aware that there is at present in general use a tab attached to the back of the collar for the purpose of keeping the tie in its place, but as this overlies the collar, the tie and the top of the collar-stud, either its lower end is forced out and up by the tie, thus rendering it useless, or else the three thicknesses of material (collar, tab and tie) form an appreciable lump, which coming into contact with the coat collar, the stud is pressed against the back of the neck in such a way as to cause serious discomfort.

To enable the invention to be more clearly understood, reference will now be made to the accompanying drawings in which:—

Figure 1 represents an ordinary single collar with my attachment in position over the tie. Fig. 2 is a vertical section showing collar, tie, tab and stud.

1 is the body of the collar.

2 is my tab attachment secured at its upper end to the body of the collar and provided with a stud or button hole 3 just above the line of the lower edge of the collar as shown.

The exact position of this stud-hole is essential as a somewhat similar tab with the stud-hole below the line of the lower edge of the collar, has proved a failure on account of the collar being enabled to ride on the top of the collar-band of the shirt and to cause discomfort to the wearer.

The incision 6 in the back of the collar is indicated by the dotted lines.

4 is the tie.

5 is the collar stud.

By means of this simple construction the formation of the "lump", before referred to, at the back of the collar is obviated as between the collar-band of the shirt and the collar of the wearer's coat there intervene only the tie and the tab, while neither the tie nor the tab bears against the top of the stud.

There is still another advantage in this construction, namely, the obviation of the use of a back-stud (to which many persons have a strong objection) as the tab, being made of much lighter material than the collar, an ordinary shirt button could be used which is not possible where same would have to be forced through the thick, stiff material of a starched collar.

What I claim as my invention is:—

A shirt collar having a narrow incision slightly wider than the usual collar fastening means centrally arranged in the back thereof from the lower edge, and a narrow tab firmly secured centrally at the back and rear face of said collar intermediate of the height thereof and extending downwardly over said incision and having a button hole arranged therein intermediate of its length and above the lower edge of said collar, said button hole being intermediate of the depth of said incision.

Signed at Sydney, New South Wales, this 24th day of December 1907.

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