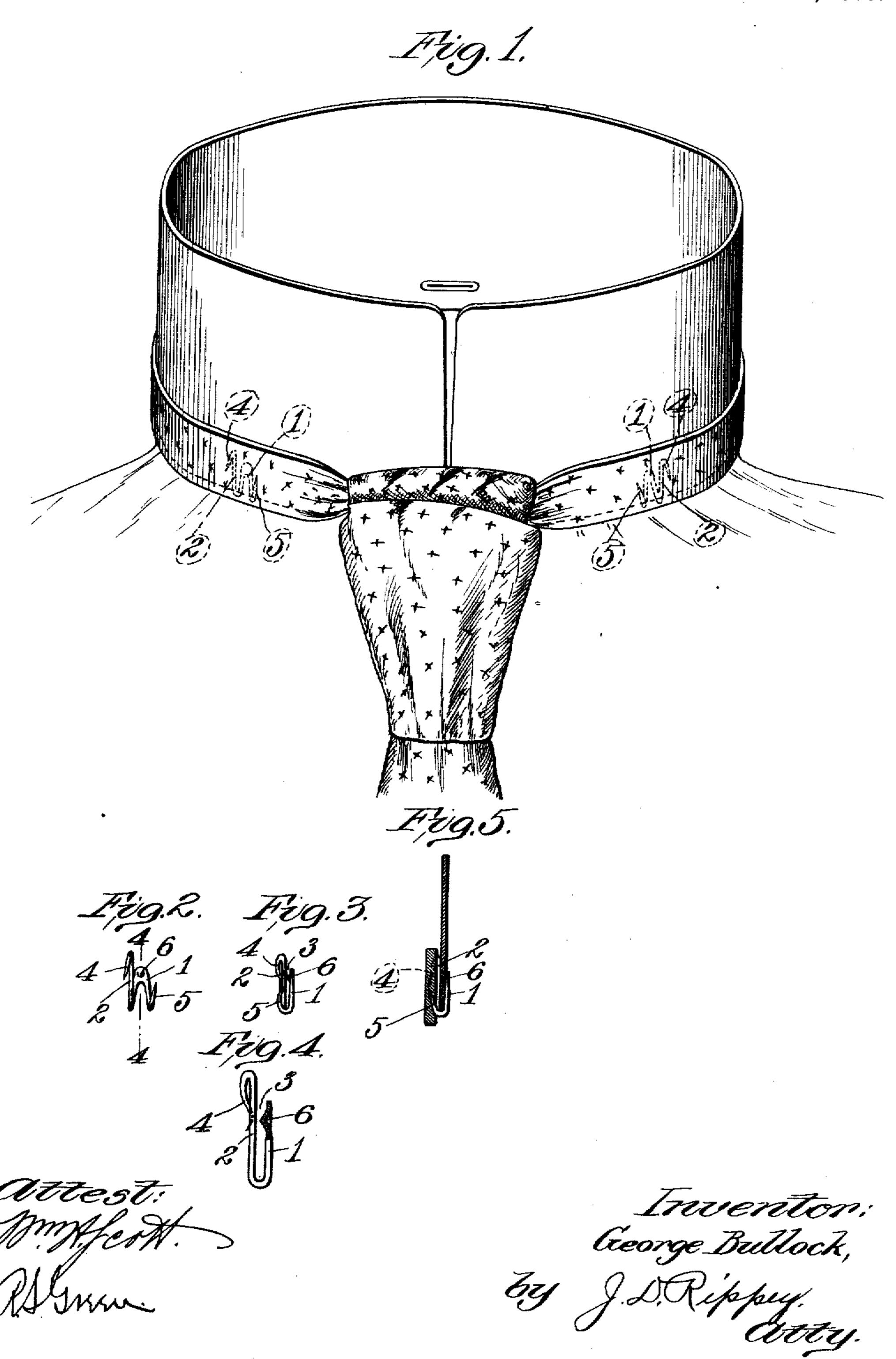
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To all whom it may concern:

This invention relates to neck-tie holders of the type adapted for use with unfolded or standing collars to engage with, and 10 hold, the tie against upward, downward, or

lateral movement.

The object of the invention is to produce an article of the character mentioned which shall be provided with means to engage the 15 lower edge of the collar, and bind thereon, to hold against slipping, and which has two oppositely disposed points, outside of the collar, which are adapted to engage with the band of the tie which encircles the 20 collar, thereby to hold the tie securely in proper adjustment.

Another object is to provide a device of the character referred to which shall be provided with means to prevent accidental 25 disengagement of the tie band therefrom.

In the drawings wherein I have illustrated my invention, Figure 1 is a conventional illustration of a collar and tie showing, in dotted lines, the tie holder in connection 30 therewith. Fig. 2 is a front or outside view of the device. Fig. 3 is an edge view. Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line 4-4 of Fig. 2, looking leftward. Fig. 5 is a sectional view of the tie and collar showing

35 the holder engaging both.

The device, as illustrated, consists of a piece of wire bent to form an inverted U-shaped portion 1, the two legs of which carry the points to engage with the tie. 40 One of said legs, indicated at 2, is bent upward substantially parallel to the plane of the portion 1 and forms an open space 3 to receive the lower edge of the collar. The leg 2, at a suitable point below the edge 45 of the tie band, bends outward a slight distance from the collar, and then turns obliquely downward and backward (or forward), as indicated at 4, against the collar, and is pointed at its extremity, the 50 point being raised slightly, or curving outward from the collar, so that the tie may be engaged thereon. The other leg of the portion I bends outward a slight distance from the collar and then turns up-55 ward against the outer side of the collar, as shown at 5, and is pointed at its extremity,

be it known that I, George Bullock, a collar and at a lower altitude than the citizen of the United States, residing at upper part of the leg 2 so that the tie band Poplar Bluff, Butler county, Missouri, have can be forced thereon. The arch of the invented a new and useful Tie-Holder, of | portion 1 is preferably flattened, as shown, which the following is a specification. and provided with a convex or raised surface 6 which binds with sufficient force against the collar to prevent the collar from slipping.

In using the devices, one or more thereof are engaged on the lower edge of the collar at convenient positions by pushing the lower edge of the collar into the space 3, as shown in Fig. 5. The tie may then be 73 adjusted to proper position without engaging with the points of the holder since the arched portions of the pointed legs hold the tie from catching on the points without manual assistance. After being adjusted 75 to proper position the band of the tie is manually drawn downward and engaged on the pointed leg 4 and then pushed upward. The operation is reversed in order to engage the tie on the leg 5, and, after 80 adjustment, the tie will be held from raising by the legs 4, and from lowering by the legs 5, and from slipping by both of said legs. The method of detaching the tie is obvious.

It is probable that various other constructions of the device within the scope of the appended claims will suggest themselves to those familiar with this kind of article. For this, and other obvious reasons, I do not 90 restrict myself to specific details, but

What I claim and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent is— 1. A tie holding device comprising a back portion, a projection on said back portion 95 adapted to bind against the collar, and a front portion composed of a leg extending upwardly against the outer side of the collar and cooperating with said back portion and said projection to bind the device on the col- 100 lar and having a downwardly extending point, and a second leg extending upwardly from the lower edge of the collar and having a point at its extremity below the upper part of the first-named leg, substantially as speci- 105

2. A tie holding device comprising a back portion adapted to bind against the inside of the collar, and a front portion composed of a pointed leg extending upwardly and out- 110 wardly from the lower edge of the collar, and a second leg extending upwardly against the

outer side of the collar and cooperating with the back portion to bind the device on the collar and having a downwardly extending

point, substantially as specified.

3. A tie holding device comprising a back portion, and a front portion forming a space to receive the lower edge of the collar, and composed, as to the front portion, of an upwardly extending leg having a downwardly 10 extending portion arranged to press against the collar and a point projecting obliquely downward and outward from the point of pressure, and a second leg extending from the lower edge of the collar, substantially 15 as specified.

4. A tie holding device comprising a back portion and a front portion forming an intervening space to receive the lower edge of the collar, and composed, as to the front portion, 20 of an upwardly extending leg having a downwardly extending portion arranged to press against the collar and a point projecting obliquely downward and outward from the point of pressure, and a second leg curving 25 outwardly from the lower edge of the collar and then inwardly to press against the collar

and having a point projecting obliquely upward and outward from the point of pressure, substantially as specified.

5. A tie holding device comprising a wire 30 bent to form an inverted U-shaped back portion adapted to bind against the inside of the collar, and a front portion composed of one of the ends of said wire extending upwardly from the lower edge of the collar and pro- 35 vided with a point at its extremity and the other of said ends extending upwardly against the outer side of the collar to a greater altitude than the point of said firstnamed end and having a downwardly ex- 40 tending portion arranged to press against the collar and a point projecting obliquely downward and outward from the point of pressure, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof, I hereto affix my 45 signature this 27th day of May, 1907, in the

presence of two subscribing witnesses.

GEORGE BULLOCK.

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