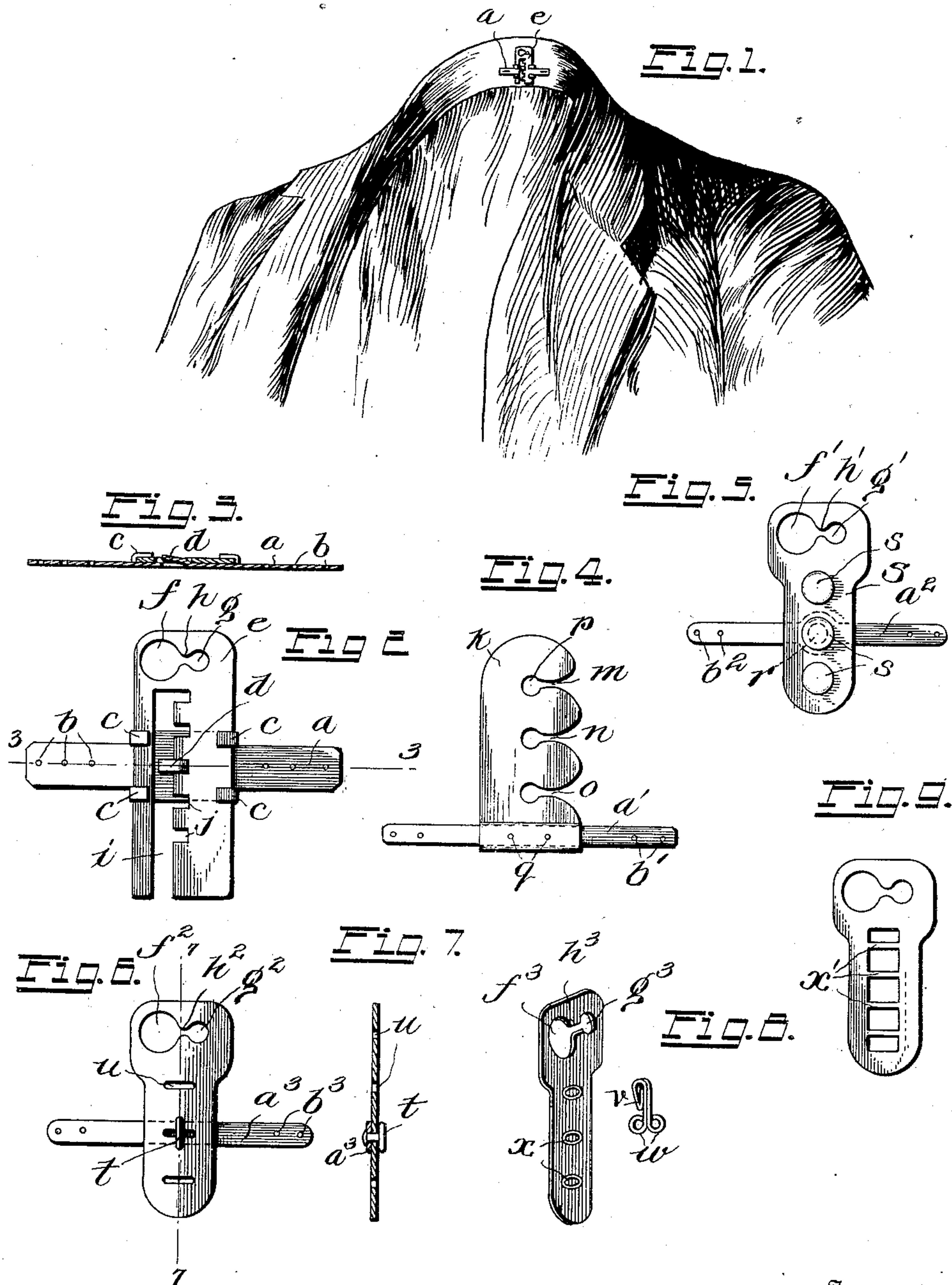


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. GRAVES, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Coat-Collar Fasteners; and I do hereby 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.

My invention relates to improvements in coat collar fasteners, and the object of my invention is to provide a simple removable and adjustable device which may be applied to the collar button or to the coat, or both, and which may be adjusted to secure the coat collar in one of several possible adjusted positions, and in proper relation to the shirt collar as hereinafter described. The fastener may be either made of wire or thin metal as hereinafter described.

With this object in view, my invention consists in the construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the top of a coat, showing one form of invention applied to the inner part of the coat collar. Fig. 2 is a view of one form of my fastener detached from the coat. Fig. 3 is a cross section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a front view of a modified form of my device. Fig. 5 is a front view of the preferred form of my invention. Fig. 6 is a front view of another modification. Fig. 7 is a cross section taken on the line 7—7 of Fig. 6. Fig. 8 is a front view of still another modification, and Fig. 9 is a front view of another modification.

Referring to the form shown in Figs. 2 and 3, *a* represents a horizontal bar adapted to be secured to the coat either by being sewed thereon, by tongues struck up from the part *a* and adapted to be pressed through the coat collar and bent over, or by pins adapted to be passed through the holes *b* of the cross piece *a*. This cross piece is provided with bent over clips *c*, four in number, and with a spring portion *d* cut up from the part *a*.

Inside the clips *c*, and adapted to slide therebetween, is the vertical piece *e*. This piece is provided with a hole *f*, large enough to permit the collar button to pass there-through, and a smaller hole *g*, these two

holes being connected together by a passage *h*. The hole *f* is adapted to be slipped over the shirt button and then the part *e* is moved sidewise until the shank of the shirt button engages the hole *g*. The part *e* is also provided with a long slot *i*, open at the bottom, notches *j* being cut in one side of the part *e*, adjacent to said slot, into which notches the spring portion *d* of the part *a* is adapted to engage. By pressing down the spring portion *d*, the part *e* is disengaged so that it may be slid up or down, thus making an adjustable fastening. The part *a* being firmly though removably attached to the coat collar, and the part *e* being adapted to be slipped over the collar button, it is obvious that when these parts are properly engaged with the coat and collar button that the coat collar will be held firmly against the shirt collar in one of several possible adjusted positions.

In Fig. 4 is shown a modified form. In this form, the horizontal bar *a*¹ is provided with holes *b*¹ as before, for securing it to the coat. The vertical portion *k*, however, is made in the form shown in Fig. 4, having a rounded upper end and having a number of slots *m*, *n*, and *o*, each with rounded ends and terminating in a round or oblong hole *p*. In the form shown in Fig. 4, the part *k* is slipped sidewise so that one of the openings *m*, *n*, or *o* shall engage with the shank of the collar button, and the part *k* being pressed still further, said shank will engage one of the holes in the part *k*. The vertical part *k* is bent over at the bottom, as shown in Fig. 4, and united to the part *a*¹ by pins or rivets *q*, or by being clenched thereto.

In the modification shown in Fig. 5, the horizontal portion *a*² of the fastening device is provided with holes *b*² as already described, but is also provided with one member of a spring snap glove fastener *r*. The vertical part *s* of the device is provided with a large hole *f*¹ and a small hole *g*¹, connected by a passage *h*¹ similar to that shown in Fig. 1, but it is also provided with a series of members *s*, forming the other half of the glove fastening and adapted to engage with the part *r* on the horizontal portion *a*².

In the modification shown in Figs. 6 and 7, the horizontal part *a*³ is provided with holes *b*³ for securing the horizontal parts of the coat collar, and with a flat vertically arranged stud *t*. The vertical part of the fastener is provided with holes *f*² and *g*², con-

connected by a passage h^2 , similar to what is shown in Fig. 2, and this vertical part is also provided with a series of elongated horizontal slots u . In adjusting this form of the device, the vertical part is placed parallel to the horizontal part, and the stud t is slipped through one of the openings u , and the parts turned until they are at right angles to each other, as shown in Fig. 6. The vertical part can be secured over the collar button, as hereinbefore described, either before or after the parts are secured together.

In the form shown in Fig. 8, the horizontal member is replaced by an ordinary garment hook v , which is secured to the inside of the coat collar by sewing it through the bent portions w . The vertical member is provided with holes f^3 and g^3 , connected by a passage h^3 , like those described in connection with Fig. 2, and with a number of projecting rings x within which the upper part of the hook v is adapted to snap.

In the form shown in Fig. 9 the rings x , shown in Fig. 8, are replaced by cross bars x^1 . In other respects these two forms are identical.

It should be noted in all of these forms that an adjustable fastener is provided, one part of which is adapted to be secured to the coat collar, and the other part is adapted to be engaged by the collar button, and these two parts may be so adjusted as to vary the height of the coat collar in relation to the shirt collar. The horizontal members a^1 , a^2 and a^3 may of course be secured to the coat collar in the manner described in connection with the form shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

I claim:—

1. A coat collar fastener composed of two

metal members, one of them being adapted to engage the collar button, and the other to be secured to the coat, said members being provided with means whereby they may be secured together in any one of several possible positions, relatively to each other, substantially as described.

2. A coat collar fastener consisting of two metal members, one adapted to engage the collar button and arranged vertically, and the other adapted to be fastened to the coat and arranged horizontally, said members being provided with means whereby they may be secured together in one of several possible positions, substantially as described.

3. A coat collar fastener composed of one part adapted to be secured to the coat collar and another part adapted to engage the collar button, said parts being provided with halves of a glove fastener whereby they may be secured together in any one of several possible positions, substantially as described.

4. The combination of a coat and a two part fastener adapted to be secured thereto and to the collar button, consisting of a horizontal part adapted to be secured to the coat and provided with the male member of a glove fastener and a vertical part adapted to engage the collar button and having a plurality of the female members of a glove fastener, both of said parts being made of metal.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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