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Fig. 1.

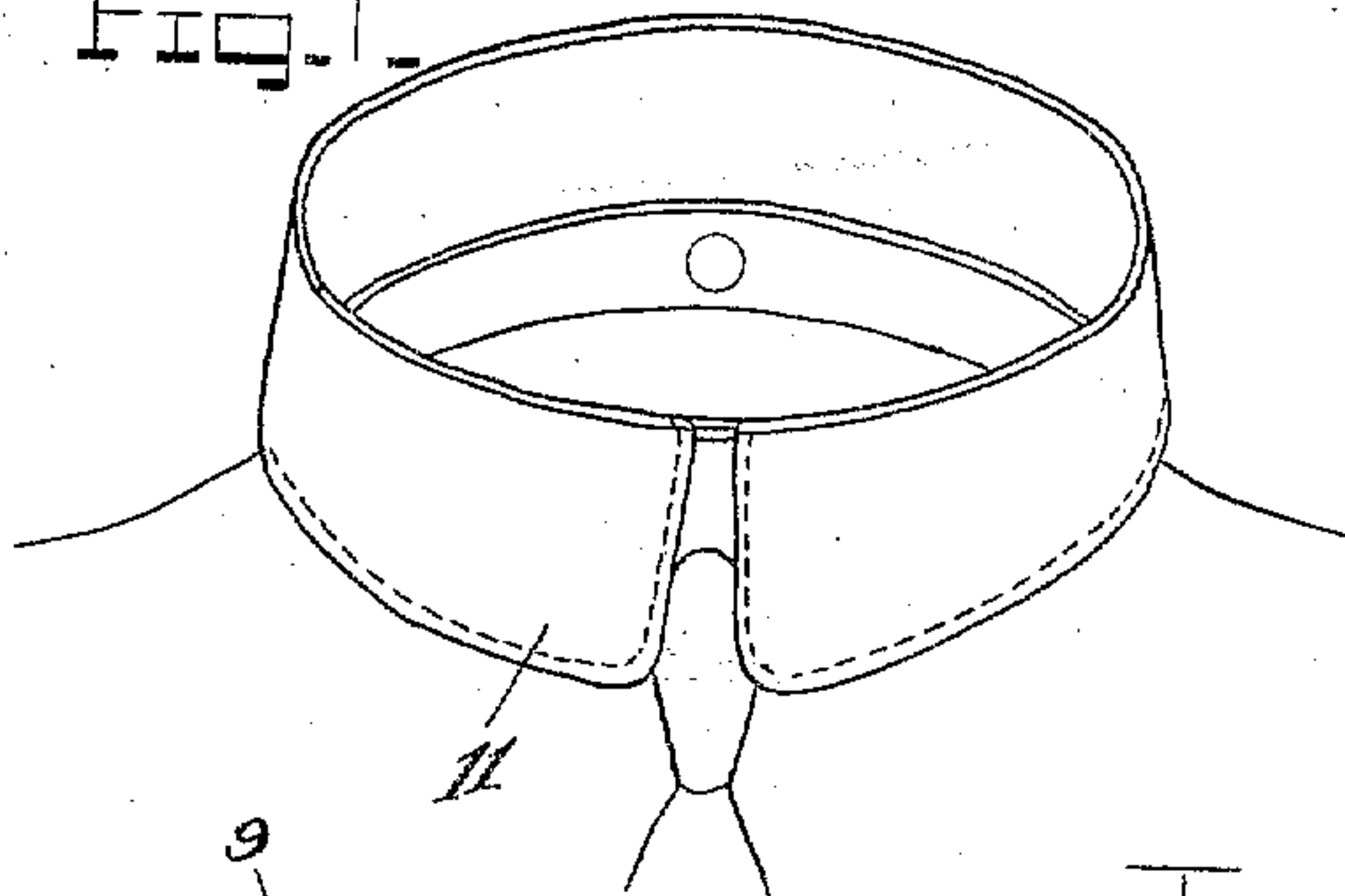


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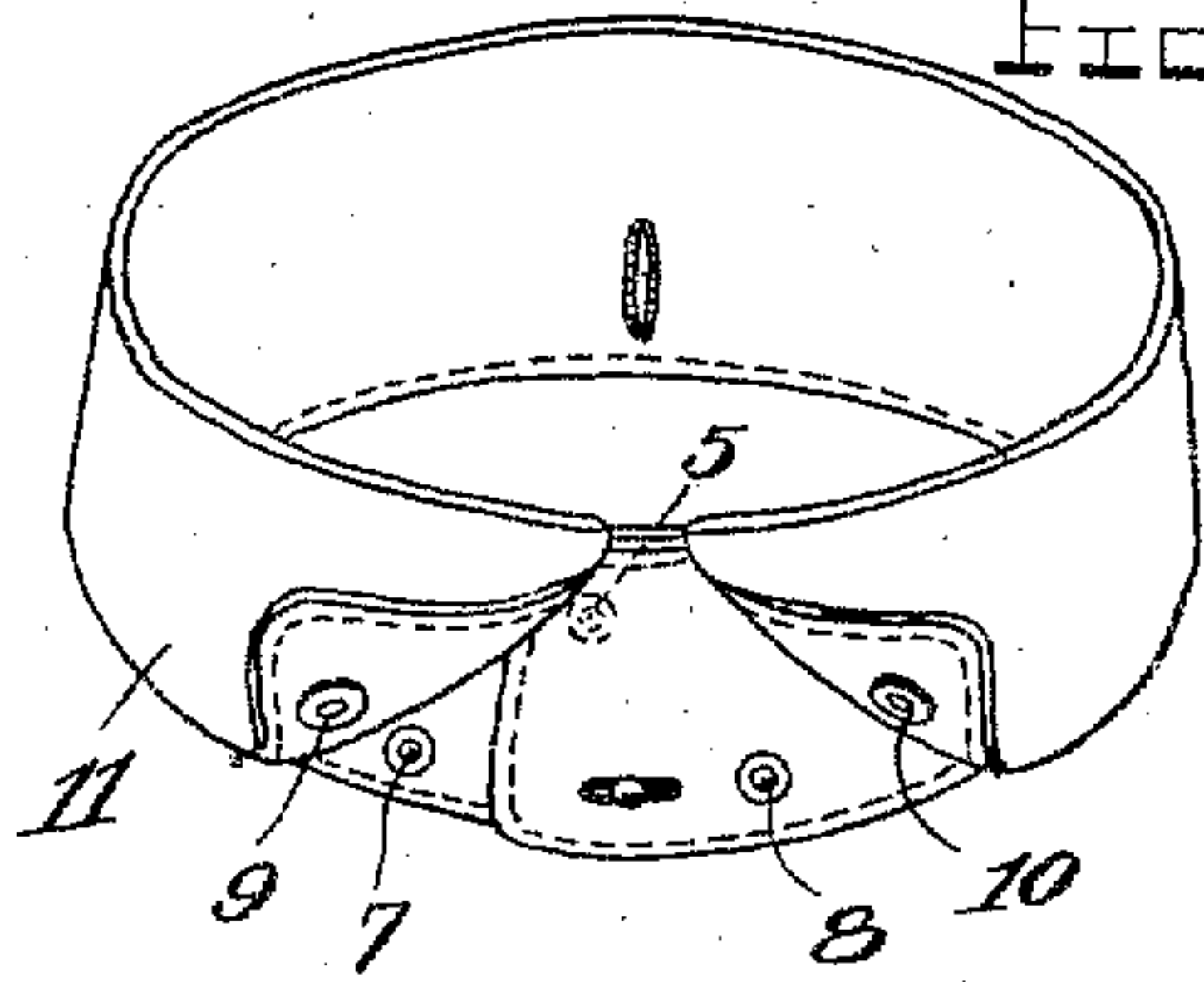


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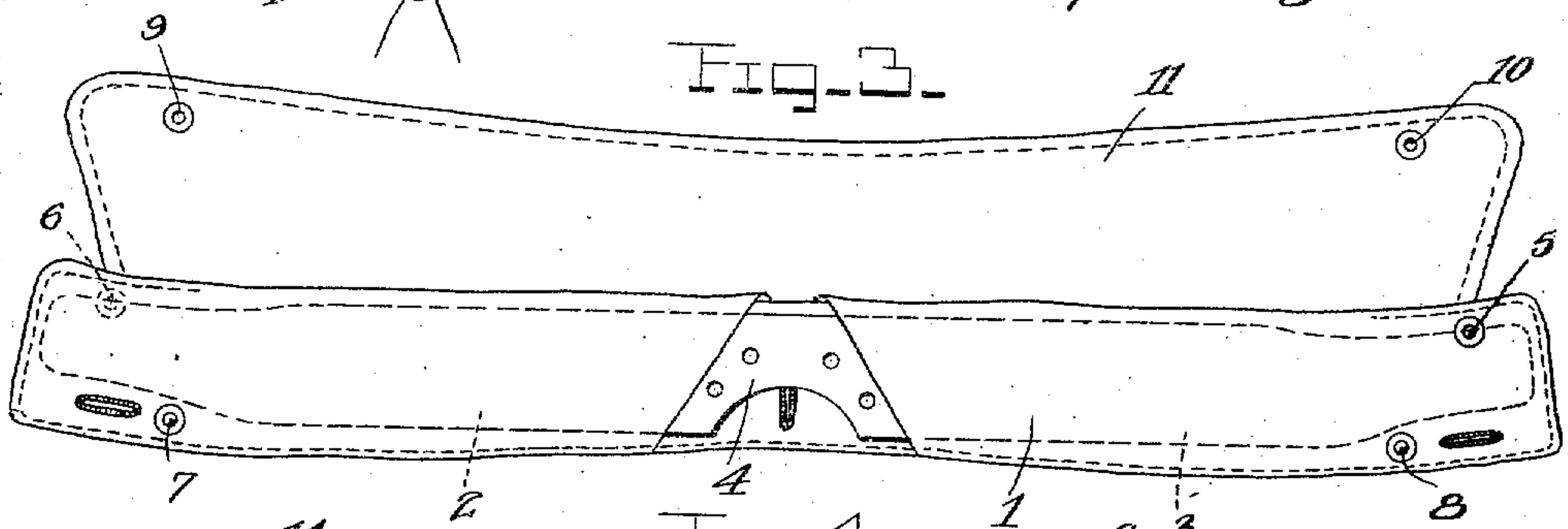


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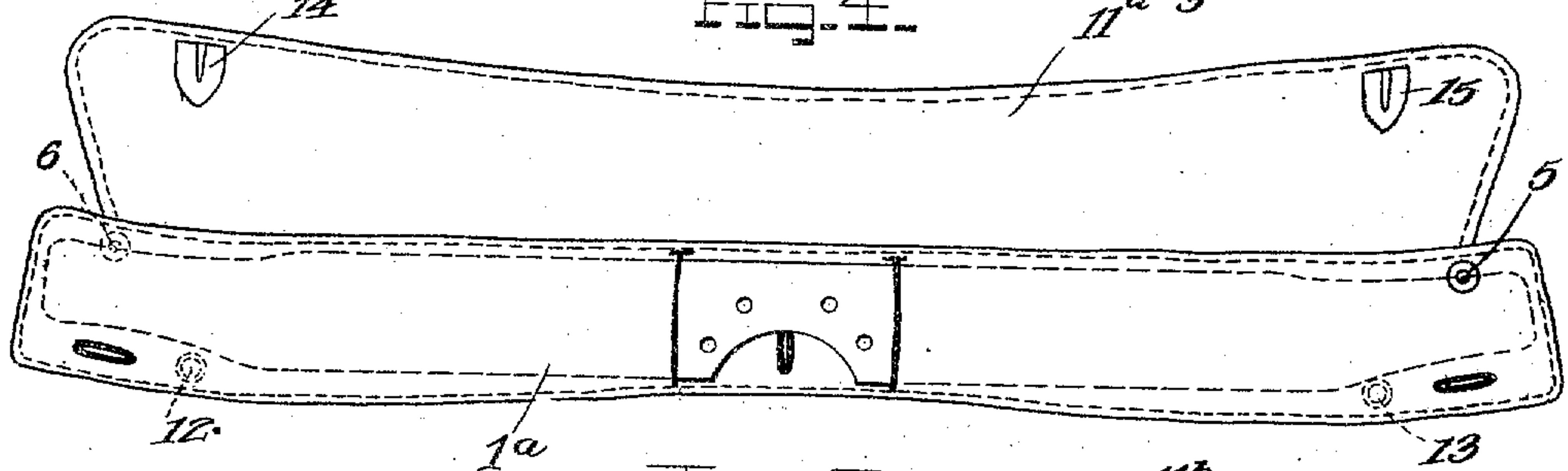
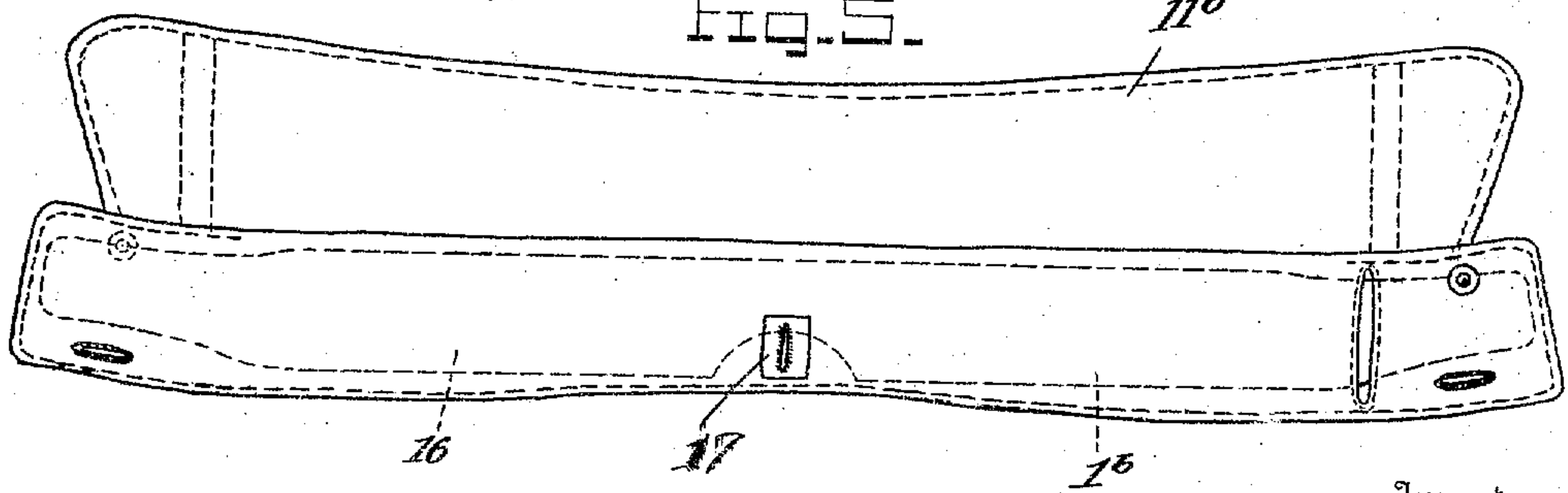


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD J. QUIGLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Collars, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in collars of the soft type usually made of flannel, linen, cotton, silk, or any other material without any stiffening.

The object of this invention is to provide a soft turned-down collar of considerable height with such means that the collar will always present a perfect appearance resembling a stiff collar. Since the collar is a separate and complete article by itself it may be attached to the shirt in the same manner as the usual stiff or starched linen collar, and may be worn with shirts of any form or material to which any collar may be attached. To accomplish this result a stiffening member is applied to the band of the collar, and an invisible securing means is applied at the upper portion of the band where the ends overlap in front, and invisible means are provided upon the lower flap of the collar near the front which secures the flap to the band.

While this invention is illustrated in the preferred forms upon the accompanying sheet of drawing, it is to be understood that minor detail changes may be made without departing from the scope thereof.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the collar as it will appear when worn with a necktie. Fig. 2 is a perspective view with the ends of the flaps turned upward disclosing the invisible securing means. Fig. 3 is a view in front elevation of one form of collar showing the outer side of the neck band with the outer flap turned upward. Fig. 4 is a view in front elevation of another form showing the outer side of the neck band with the flap turned upward. Fig. 5 is a view in front elevation of a modification showing the inner side of the neck band with the flap turned upward.

The general construction of this improved collar is similar to that of the ordinary soft collar of this type. A button-hole is provided in the central portion of the neck band 1 to receive the back collar button, and button-holes are provided in the ends of the

band where they overlap each other in front to receive the front collar button.

In Fig. 3 two pockets 2 and 3 are formed on the outer side of the neck band 1 on each side of the back collar button adapted to receive a stiffening member 4 of flexible material such as celluloid. Snap catches 5 and 6 are secured to the neck band near the top over each of the button-holes in such a position that when the ends of the band are overlapped in front, and the front collar button is in position, these catches will engage each other and secure the upper portion of the neck band securely in place. Upon the outside of the neck band 1 near the lower edge and in proximity to the outer button-hole are secured catch members 7 and 8. Upon the inner side of the outer flap 11 near its lower edge and in position corresponding with the catch members 7 and 8 carried upon the collar are secured the other members 9 and 10, of the snap catch.

In Fig. 4 a modified form of invisible means for securing the lower portions of the flap 11^a are provided. Upon the innerside of the neck band 1^a near the bottom and in proximity to the outer button-hole are secured small buttons 12 and 13. Upon the innerside of the outer flap 11^a are secured small tabs 14 and 15, each provided with a button-hole, which are adapted, when the flap is turned down against the neck band, to pass beneath the lower edge of the neck band and engage the small buttons before mentioned to securely and invisibly hold the lower ends of the flap in position when the necktie is tied.

In Fig. 5 the pocket 16 in the neck band 1^b extends the entire length of the neck band and a tab 17 provided with a button-hole is secured to the center of the neck band upon the innerside for the purpose of engaging the back collar button.

The same results may be obtained by providing slits on the inner side of the outer flap, or by securing tape to the top and bottom portion of the inner side of the outer flap as illustrated in dotted lines on Fig. 5. In this form the necktie is inserted between the strip of the material or tape and the inner side of the outer flap, so that when the necktie is tied and in position the lower edges of the front portion of the outer flap will be held securely in place.

It is obvious that hooks and eyes, buttons and buttonholes, or any other invisible attaching means may be used in the same manner as well as the snap catches 5 and 6 and 7 and 9.

What I claim is:—

1. In a detachable collar of the character described, a neck band, an outer flap secured thereto, a pocket in the neck band, a flexible member adapted to be inserted in the pocket, invisible securing means carried by the neck band and the outer flap adapted to engage each other and retain the lower portion of the flap against the neck band in front.
2. In a detachable collar of the character described, a neck band, a flap carried thereby, a pocket in the neck band, a flexible member adapted to be inserted in said pocket, catch members carried by the upper portion of the neck band near each end thereof adapted to engage each other when

the ends are overlapped in front, and catch members carried by the neck band and innerside of the outer flap adapted to engage each other and secure the lower edges of the outer flap in the front.

3. In a collar of the character described, a neck band, an outer flap carried thereby, a pocket in said neck band, a flexible stiffening member adapted to be received in said pocket, a tab secured upon the innerside of the flap near the lower edge at each end thereof, said tabs provided with buttonholes, and buttons secured upon the innerside of the neck band in corresponding positions, said tabs adapted to pass beneath the lower edge of the neck band and be engaged by said buttons.

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