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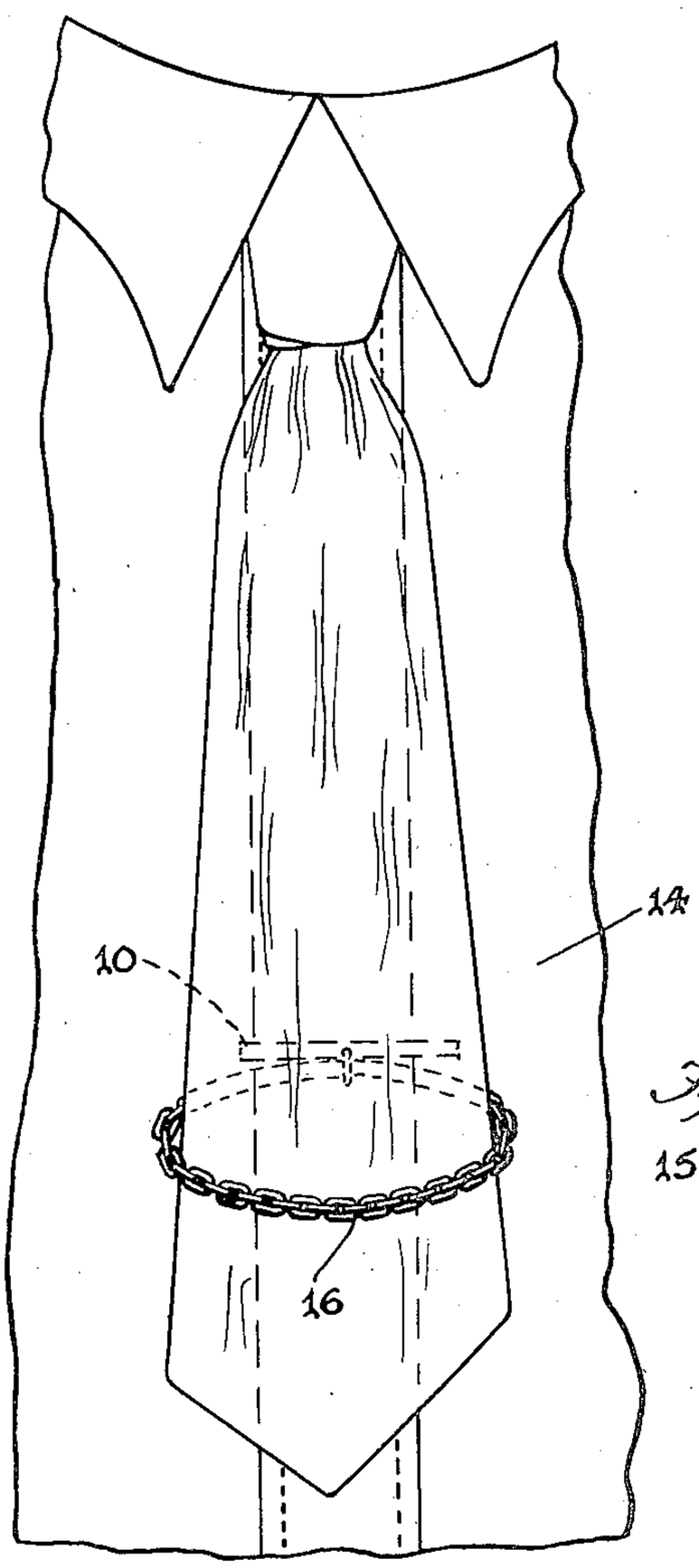


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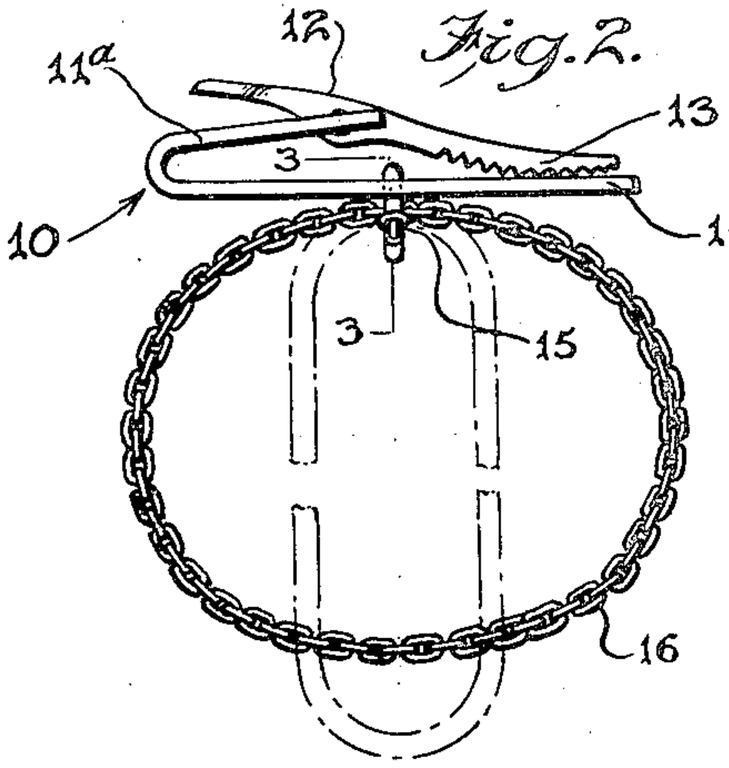


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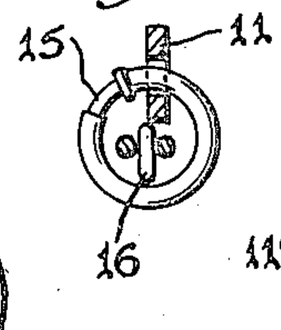


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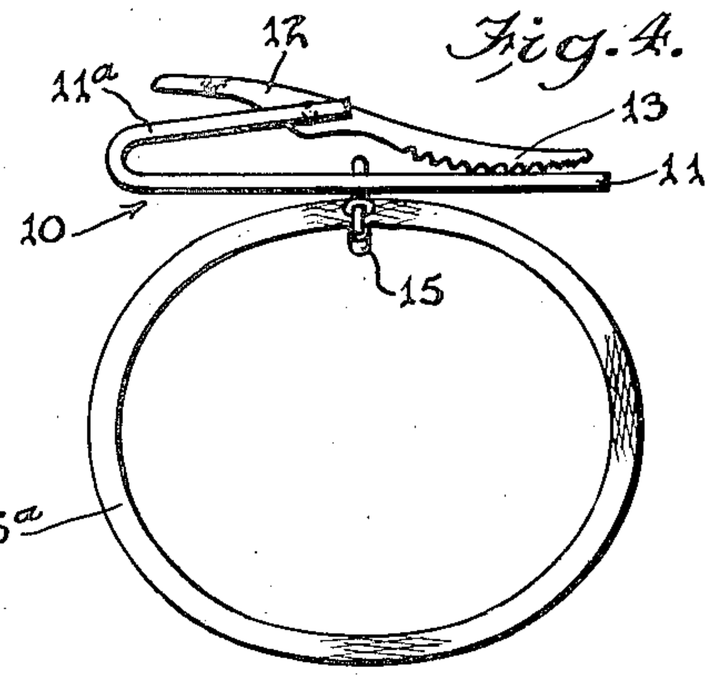


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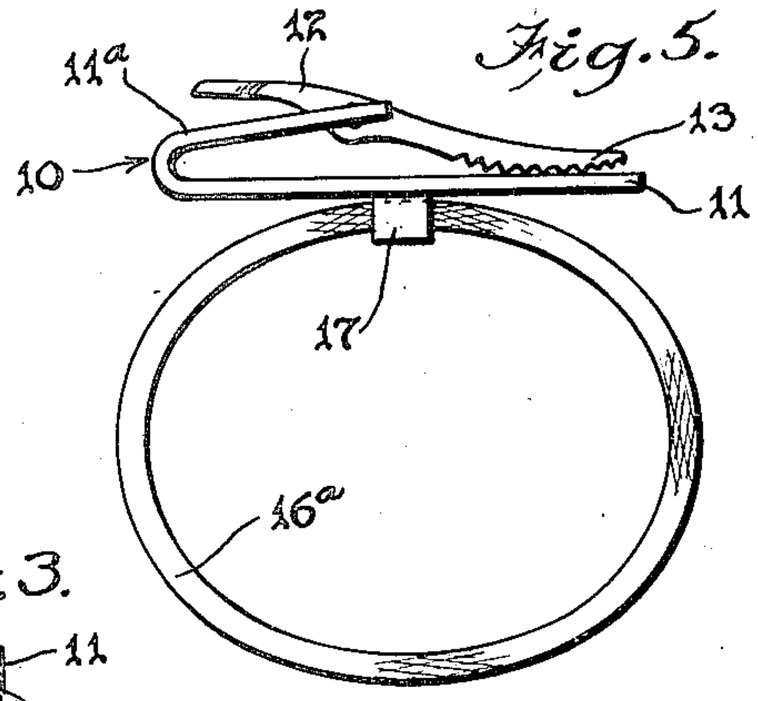


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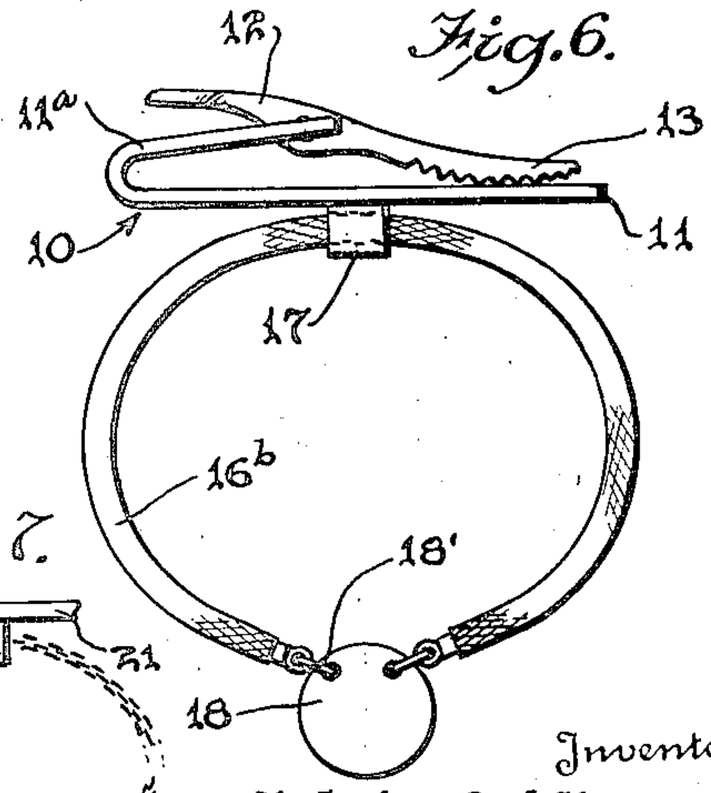
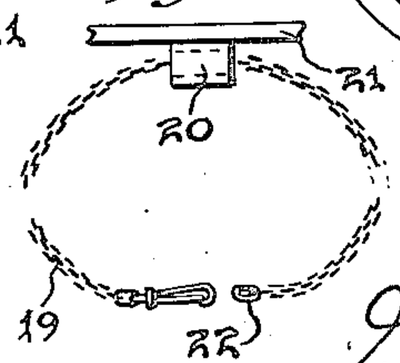


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This invention relates to necktie holders and has for an object to provide a necktie holder, of the type comprising a shirt engaging clasp and a flexible member attached thereto in such manner as to extend over or across the front of the necktie and thus confine the necktie sufficiently to prevent it from flapping and from excessive sidewise movement while permitting it to freely move in a vertical or longitudinal direction.

In necktie holders of the above type, and in fact in garment and article holders of other analogous types, it is common to attach the ends of a flexible member in the form of a chain, to the opposite end portions of the clasp, but, in furtherance of certain objects important from the standpoint of practical use for necktie holding purposes, the present improvements propose a flexible necktie engaging chain, cord or the like which promotes more ready and easy association of the necktie therewith and which lends itself to ready interchange for the purpose of blending ornamentally with neckties and other garments of wearing apparel of different color and characteristics, and which will drape gracefully over or across the necktie.

With the above in mind, the other and further objects of the invention, and the resulting advantages thereof, may be better understood and more thoroughly appreciated from the following detailed description, referring to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and in which,

Fig. 1 is a front view illustrating the practical application of the invention.

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the tie holder removed and indicating in dotted lines the position which the flexible element may take when not in use and the clasp held in one's hand.

Fig. 3 is a detail section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a top plan illustrating a modified form of the invention.

Figs. 5, 6 and 7 are similar views showing other modifications of the invention.

Referring now particularly to Figs. 1 and 2 there is illustrated a shirt engaging clasp 10 including a clasping bar 11 having one reverting end 11a which supports the fulcrum of a spring actuated clasping lever 12. The short end of this lever serves as a handle while the longer end with its curved, serrated inner flanged edges 13 serves to clasp the bosom pleat of a shirt 14 between the same and the rear surface of the free end of the bar 10. The clasp as a whole is similar to the tie clasp described and claimed in my Patent 1,981,740, dated November 20, 1934, though for the present purposes it need not be as long and for some reasons which will presently be plain, it should not be as long.

The bar 10 has a centrally located aperture for the reception of a chain engaging ring 15, preferably a readily removable ring for instance in the nature of a snap ring as shown in Fig. 3, so that the chain carried thereby may be easily and quickly removed and another chain substituted.

The ring 15 is moreover preferably of such diameter that the endless chain 16 forming an endless tie encircling loop may slide freely through the same whereby when the tie ends are dropped through the same as in Fig. 1 the two side portions of the loop are free to immediately assume a proper balance and drape gracefully around and across the tie.

By thus providing a necktie engaging and holding loop in the form of an endless chain and attaching the same at a single point to the bar of the shirt engaging clasp, I make provision for the use of a flexible tie holding loop of a character which will not take or permit a sharp bend or angle at any point thereof, and I have found that, so constituted, the chain drapes with an especially pleasing effect across the tie.

It is also apparent that the detachable connection of the endless chain at a single point permits of the ready and easy interchange of chains to blend either as to ornamentation or color with different colored neckties, trousers, vests, coats and other wearing apparel, and that a short clasp may be used, substantially less in length than the width of the tie ends and wholly concealed behind the necktie in use.

In bringing about the before-mentioned advantage in graceful draping of the endless loop, the chain may be composed of links formed in such close proximity as to defeat sharp bends or angles.

A resiliently extensible chain, cord or the like 16a may constitute the tie holding loop, permitting of temporary stretching to enlarge the loop to facilitate dropping of the tie ends therethrough. Such a flexible, stretchable or extensible endless loop element is shown in Fig. 4 and which is freely slidable through the snap ring 15 of the clasp, although, as seen in Fig. 5 the flexible loop may be slidably connected to the clasp through a short rigid attaching tube 17 anchored centrally of the bar 11.

The flexible endless member or loop may be broken to the extent shown in Fig. 6, to receive as a part thereof an ornamental disk, medallion or the like 18 which may be connected to one end of the flexible element 16b in any suitable

manner with the other end of the flexible element provided with a snap hook or the like 18'.

As shown in Fig. 7 one end of the flexible member 19 may be provided with a small snap hook of a size adapted to slide through the sleeve or eye 20 of the front bar 21 and hook into the eye 22 at the opposite end of the flexible member 19 for sliding movement through the sleeve or eye 20.

Thus the present tie holder presents a readily assembled structure, as well as a means for its purpose which may be conveniently utilized, presents an especially pleasing graceful appearance, and in which flexible elements may be quickly interchanged for the before-mentioned reasons.

By virtue of the present invention, I am enabled to supply a plurality of flexible elements with each clasp or other supporting means so that flexible elements of different chain type or differently colored flexible elements of various kinds may be interchangeably detachably connected with the clasp or the like according to desires or fancies of individuals who may desire forms of chains or colors of flexible elements in accordance with the color of the necktie or texture or color of their trousers.

What is claimed is:—

1. A necktie holder comprising a shirt engaging member, and a flexible, extensible member carried thereby and forming a necktie encircling loop.

2. A necktie holder comprising a clasp having a centrally apertured bar, a flexible endless member, and a snap ring connected to the bar through said aperture and through which the flexible member is movable.

3. A necktie holder comprising an attaching member, a device swiveled on the attaching member and having an eye, and an endless flexible member having running connection with the swiveled device through the eye of the latter.

4. A necktie holder comprising an attaching member, a snap ring detachably connected to the attaching member, and a flexible member having running connection with the snap ring and through manipulation of said snap ring being detachable with relation to said ring.

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