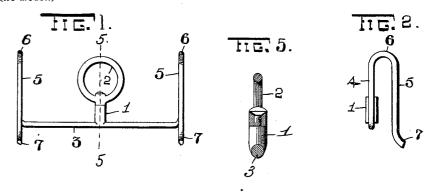
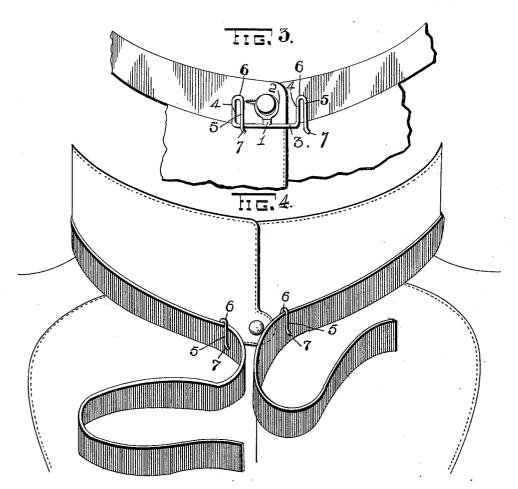
## A. C. CRUTTWELL. NECKTIE HOLDER.

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## NECKTIE-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR C. CRUTTWELL, of the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to necktie-holders; to and it consists of the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of parts hereinafter shown, described, and claimed.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a necktie-holder constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof. Fig. 3 is a detail view of the front portion of the collar-band of a shirt, the collar-button therein, and my improved necktie-holder in position upon said collar-button. Fig. 4 is a front elevation of the upper portion of a shirt-front with the collar in position thereon and showing my improved tie-holder in position and engaging the tie before the same is tied. Fig. 5 is an enlarged vertical sectional view taken approximately on the line 5 5 of Fig. 1.

In the construction of my improved necktie-holder I make use of a short vertical pin 1, upon the upper end of which is swiveled a ring 2. Formed on or fixed to the lower end 30 of the pin 1 is a horizontally-arranged length of wire 3, the ends of which are turned vertically upward, as indicated by 4, and then downwardly, as indicated by 5, in front of said upwardly-turned ends 4, thus forming the inspection of the same being at equal distances from the pin 1 and provided with the outwardly-bent lower ends 7.

In the use of my improved necktie-holder the ring 2 is engaged upon the shank of the collar-button, as seen in Fig. 3, which button is an ordinary separable button, after the ends of the shirt-band have been properly secured together by said button, after which the ends of the collar are brought together and fastened in the usual manner upon the collar-button, and when said ends are properly positioned they will hide from view the

ring 2, the pin 1, and a portion of the horizontal length of wire 3. The tie is now placed around the collar in the proper position and the ends of said tie brought together and engaged beneath the inverted-**U**-shaped hooks 6. The ends of the tie are now tied together to form the usual bow, and when so tied will entirely hide the inverted-**U**-shaped 55 hooks 6.

By swiveling the ring 2 upon the pin 1 the end portions of the wire 3, forming the inverted-**U**-shaped hooks 6, are allowed to swing backwardly and forwardly, and as the ring 66 is free to rotate upon the shank of the button the ends of the wire 3 and the inverted hooks 6 will also swing upwardly and downwardly, and these movements allow the tie which is engaged beneath the hooks to be 65 freely moved in either direction while the knot is being formed and adjusted. By bending the lower free ends of the inverted-**U**-shaped hooks outwardly, as indicated by 7, the tie can be very easily guided into said in 70 verted-**U**-shaped hooks.

When a tie-holder of my improved construction is used, the bow will always be held at the proper position relative to the collar, will not slip on said collar, and said tie-holder is 75 light in weight, very compact, does not interfere with any part of any of the clothes of the wearer, and said tie-holder is easily positioned and is very efficient in use.

I claim—
A necktie-holder, comprising the single length of wire 3 having its ends bent into inverted-U-shaped hooks 6, the lower ends of which are bent forwardly, the pin 1 integral with and projecting upwardly from the center of the length of wire 3, and the ring 2 swiveled upon the upper end of said pin, substantially as specified.

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

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