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Fig. 1.

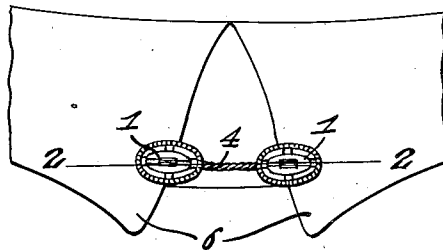


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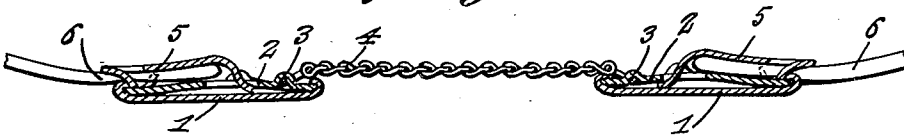


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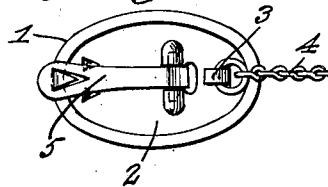


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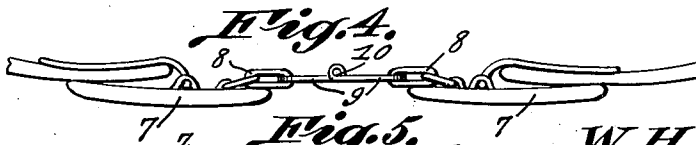
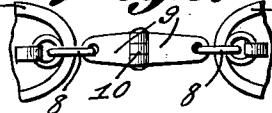


Fig. 5.



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My present invention has reference to a fastening and holding device for the peaked and confronting ends of soft turnover collars.

The ordinary means employed for this purpose is known as a bar clasp or pin and comprises a bar carrying either a pin or having spring elements to overlies the ends thereof to contact with the outer surface of the collar with the bar arranged against the inner surface of the collar. These devices are, of course, employed for properly holding the peaks of the collar in spaced relation to each other and for preventing the same from spreading apart. Such devices adequately perform their function but necessitate the removal thereof when the necktie is applied to the collar or when the necktie is removed from the collar and consequently are a source of annoyance and by reason of the contact of the user's fingers with the collar the said collar is soiled at such points of contact.

It may, therefore, be considered the primary object of this invention to simplify and improve the usual bar fastening device or clasp by the provision of two clasps held in proper spaced relation by jointed or flexible elements so that in applying or removing the necktie only one of the clasps may be attached to or removed from one of the peaks or ends of the collar and easily and quickly attached after the necktie is applied without liability of the finger or thumb of the operator contacting with the outer surface of the collar and thereby prevent the soiling of the collar incident to such contact.

To the attainment of the foregoing the invention consists in the improvement herein-after described and definitely claimed.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improvement in applied position.

Figure 2 is a top plan view thereof with the clasps in section.

Figure 3 is a rear elevation of one of the clasps.

Figure 4 is a plan view to illustrate another form.

Figure 5 is a rear elevation thereof, parts being broken away.

The clasps 1 are comparatively wide and

long and are of ornamental appearance. The back plate 2 of each of the clasps is provided with a bowed portion 3 and in the showing of Figures 1 and 2 the bowed portions receive therethrough the end links of a chain 4. The back plates of the clasps are of spring metal and serve to hold the swingable clamping tongue 5 against the back of the body of the clasp to effectively grip the confronting ends or peaks 6 of a turnover collar.

With the improvement it will be noted that one of the clasps may be applied to one of the ends or peaks of the collar, the flexible or jointed element 4 permitting the other clasp to drop downwardly, thus affording equal space for the application or removal of the necktie on the collar. When the necktie is applied the second clasp may be readily clamped to the second end of the collar and the bowed outer surface of the clasp will prevent the finger or thumb of the operator contacting and soiling the collar.

In Figures 4 and 5 the clasp construction is similar to that previously described but the back plates at the confronting ends of the clasp members 7 have swingably connected to their bowed portions links of short chains 8. The outer links of the short chains 8 pass through openings in the outer ends of flat plates 9 and these plates have their confronting ends hingedly connected, as indicated by the numeral 10. In this instance one of the clasps when detached may be swung over the other clasp which permits of the free application or removal of the tie from the collar. Also in this instance the widened bodies of the clasps prevent the finger or thumb of the operator contacting and soiling the collar.

The connections between the hinge and the clasp members are preferably in the nature of links.

It is thought the foregoing description when read in connection with the accompanying drawing will fully and clearly set forth the advantages of this construction to those skilled in the art to which such invention relates so that further detailed description will not be required.

Having described the invention, I claim:

A collar holder, comprising two spaced

clasp members, each having a back plate to which clamping tongues are hingedly connected and the said back plates, adjacent the confronting ends of the clasp members, being formed with bowed portions, short chains having their inner links swingably supported on the said bowed portions and a plate comprising two hingedly connected members having openings adjacent to the outer ends thereof for the reception of the outer links of the short chains.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.
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