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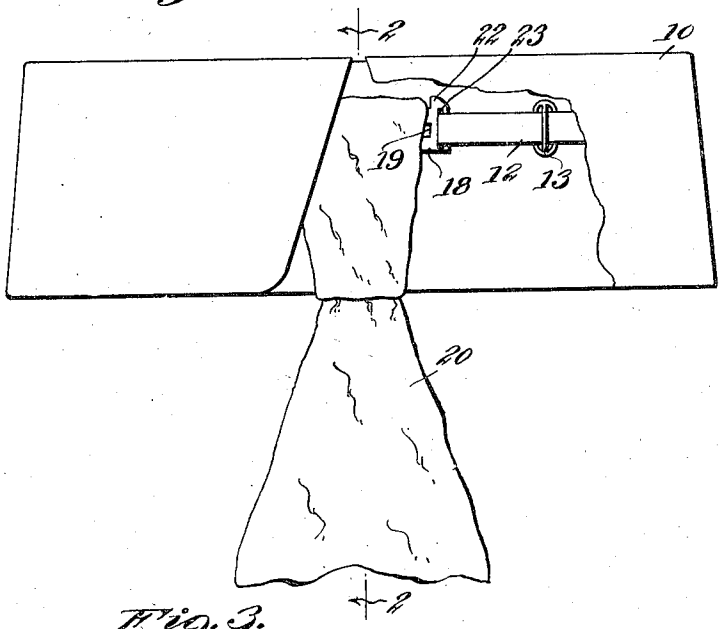
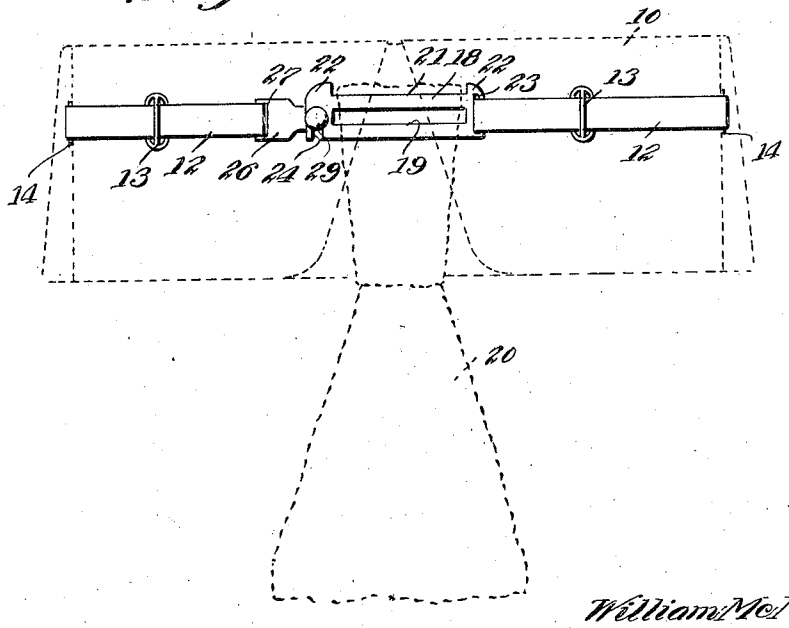


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Fig. 2.

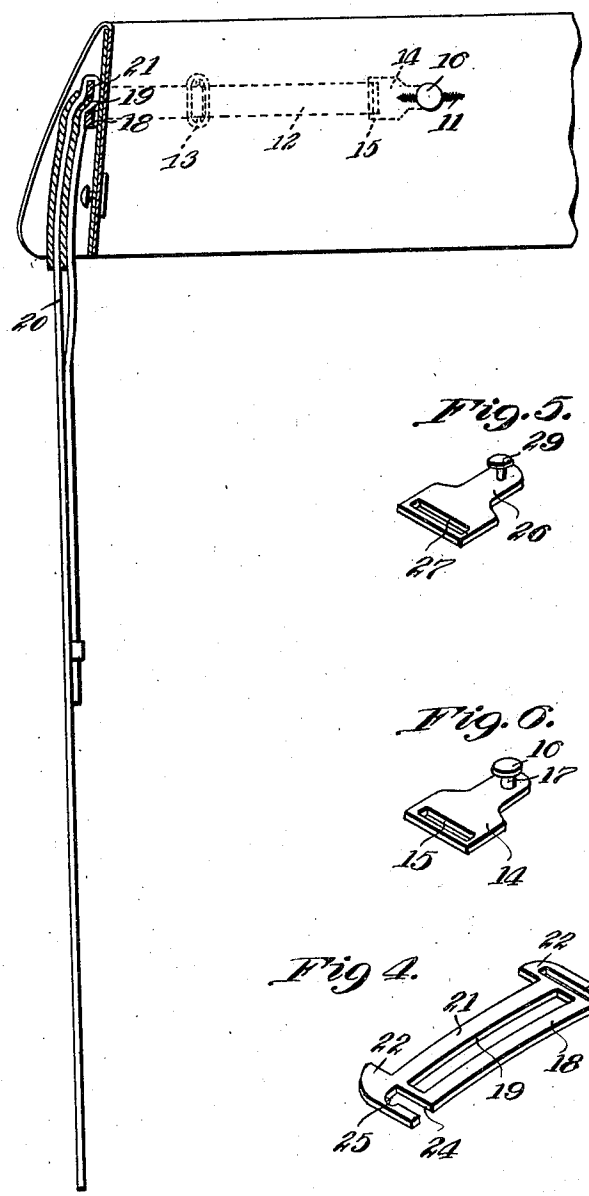


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM McMEANS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Scranton, in the county of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Tie Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to neck tie holders especially designed for holding a string, or a four-in-hand tie in position upon a collar.

An object of the present invention is the provision of a tie holder, by means of which a tie may be attached to and removed from a collar without tying or untying the same, so that the tie may be quickly adjusted or removed and damage due to frequent tying and untying will be eliminated.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a tie holder which may be easily attached to a collar to securely hold a tie in a neat and attractive manner.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention further includes the following novel features and details of construction, to be hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings:—

Figure 1 is an elevation of a collar having one corner broken away and showing a tie held in position by means of the improved holder.

Figure 2 is a sectional view on the line 2—2 of Figure 1.

Figure 3 is an elevation of the holder showing a portion of a collar and tie by dotted lines.

Figure 4 is a detail perspective view of the tie bar.

Figure 5 is a like view of the keeper plate.

Figure 6 is a similar view of the collar plate.

Referring in detail to the drawings, like characters of reference denote corresponding parts throughout the several views.

The invention is designed especially for use with turned over or turned down collars, one style of which is shown at 10 and for the purpose of providing attaching means, the said collar is provided in its inner fold at an appreciable distance from its meeting ends with button holes 11. The invention includes a pair of elastic tapes 12, each of which is provided with a clamping loop 13, by means of which the length of the tapes 12 may be adjusted. Secured to the looped ends of each of the tapes 12 is what may be termed a collar plate 14, the latter being provided at one end with a transverse slot 15 for the passage of the tape 12 and at its opposite end with a right angularly disposed offset button 16 which is spaced from the plate 14 by a shank 17. These buttons are adapted to be passed through the button holes 11 for the purpose of securing one end of the tapes to the collar.

The opposite end of one of the tapes 12 is secured to a tie bar 18. This bar is curved to conform to the curvature of the collar and is longitudinally slotted as at 19 for the passage of a tie 20, the said tie being passed through the slot 19 and brought upward and forming a bar 21, in each end of which there is provided a shoulder 22 between which the tie is placed. The tie bar 18 is provided at one end with a transverse slot 23 for the passage of the tape 12 and at its opposite end with an open ended entrance slot 24, at the inner end of which is an offset seat 25.

The other tape 12 carries at its free end a keeper plate 26 which is transversely slotted as shown at 27 to provide for the passage of the tape and which is also provided with a headed stud 29, whose shank is adapted to enter the slot 24 and be received within the offset seat 25, so as to connect the ends of the tapes.

In the use of the invention, the tie is preferably secured to the tie bar and the tapes are then secured to the collar through the insertion of the buttons 16 of the collar plates through the button holes 11. The collar may then be adjusted to the shirt and the headed stud 29 engaged in the offset seat 25, so that the tension of the elastic tapes 12 will hold the tie in proper position.

The invention is susceptible of various changes in its form, proportions and minor details of construction and the right is herein reserved to make such changes as properly fall within the scope of the appended claims.

Having described the invention what is claimed is:—

1. A tie holder comprising a pair of elastic tapes, means for adjusting the lengths of the tapes, means secured to one end of each of the tapes for removable engagement with

a collar and a combined tie holding and tape coupling means located at the opposite ends of the tapes.

2. A tie holder comprising a pair of elastic tapes, means for adjusting the lengths of the tapes, means secured to one end of each of the tapes for removable engagement in openings provided in the collar and a combined tie holding and tape coupling means located at the opposite ends of the tapes.

3. A tie holder comprising a pair of elastic tapes, means for adjusting the lengths of the tapes, a plate secured to one end of each of the tapes, an offset button carried by each of the plates for removable engagement in openings provided in the collar and a combined tie holding and tape coupling means located at the opposite ends of the tapes.

4. A tie holder comprising a pair of elastic tapes, means for adjusting the lengths of the tapes, means secured to one end of each of the tapes for removable engagement with a collar, a longitudinally slotted tie holding bar secured to the opposite end of each of the tapes, a hook located at one end of the bar and means carried by the opposite end of the other tape for engagement by the hook.

5. A tie holder comprising a pair of elastic tapes, means for adjusting the lengths of the tapes, means secured to one end of each of the tapes for removable engagement with a collar, a longitudinally slotted tie holding bar secured to the opposite end of one of the tapes, a hook located at one end of the bar, said hook including a transversely disposed slot open at one end and provided at its opposite end with an offset seat and a headed stud carried by the opposite end of the other tape for engagement by the hook.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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