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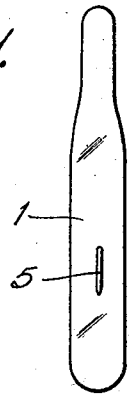


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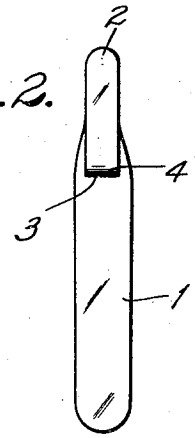


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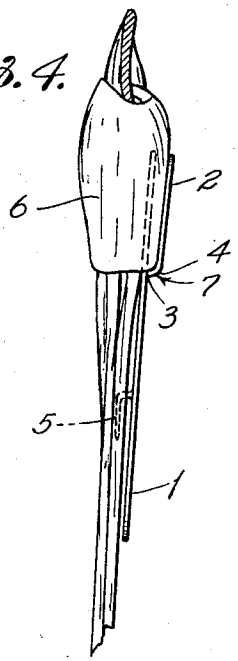
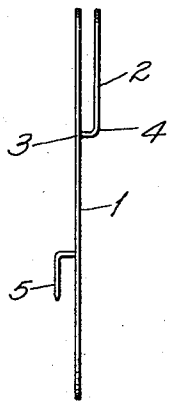


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to necktie holders and more particularly to a holder for neckties of the four-in-hand type.

The primary object of this invention is to prevent the loosening of the knot of a four-in-hand necktie and the disarrangement of the loose ends of the tie.

Other and further objects and advantages of this invention will be disclosed in the specification, claim and drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 is a plan view looking down on the under side of the holder.

Fig. 2 is a plan view looking down on the top side of the holder.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of my invention.

Fig. 4 is a view of a portion of a four-in-hand necktie, illustrating the use of my invention.

The use of soft and semi-soft collars permits the slippage of the necktie between the folds of the collar which results in the constant disarrangement of the tie and owing to the soft, yielding nature of the collar, the knot of the tie tends to loosen; and it is the purpose of this invention to prevent looseness of the knot of the tie and disarrangement of the tie by holding the knot taut in a neat, attractive manner.

My preferred method of construction provides a thin, narrow metal, longitudinally disposed member 1 to which is attached a second longitudinal member 2, joined at a suitable distance from the top of the member 1 and shown at 3, at a rightangle to the member 1 and again turned at a rightangle 4 so that the major portion of the member 2 is spaced apart parallel with the member 1, providing a fork adapted to engage the folds of the lower portion of the knot of a tie, beneath the tie.

On the opposite side of the member 1, a prick pin 5 is joined to the member 1, in any suitable manner, the purpose of which is to engage the under side of the smaller end of a necktie so as to prevent looseness of the knot and disarrangement of the tie at all times.

While I have shown the members 2 and 5 as joined to the member 1, it is obvious that both these members could be stamped out of the blank 1, so that the cost of production would be greatly reduced and the members 2 and 5 would then be integral portions of the member 1.

In forming the knot 6, the forked portion, designated as a whole as 7, is slipped under the tie so that the under fold of the knot lies within the forked portion. The narrow or smaller end of the tie is then drawn taut and the prick pin 5 inserted in the shorter end of the tie, thereby holding the knot firm under all conditions of wear and use.

As no part of my invention is exposed to view, it may be made of nickel, brass, gold, silver or even from baser metals plated. It is readily obvious that it can be produced at extremely low cost and sold at a relatively low figure, and at the same time yield a good profit to the manufacturer and dealer.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A tie holder of the class described, comprising a main body portion consisting of a narrow thin sheet of metal, a second narrow thin metal member attached at rightangles to the upper end of said first member, then turned upwardly so as to form a fork whose tines lay substantially parallel to each other, and a prick pin projecting from the first named portion adjacent its lower end and on the side opposite said second named member.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature this 13 day of March, 1930.

EDWARD ST. JOHN SMITH.