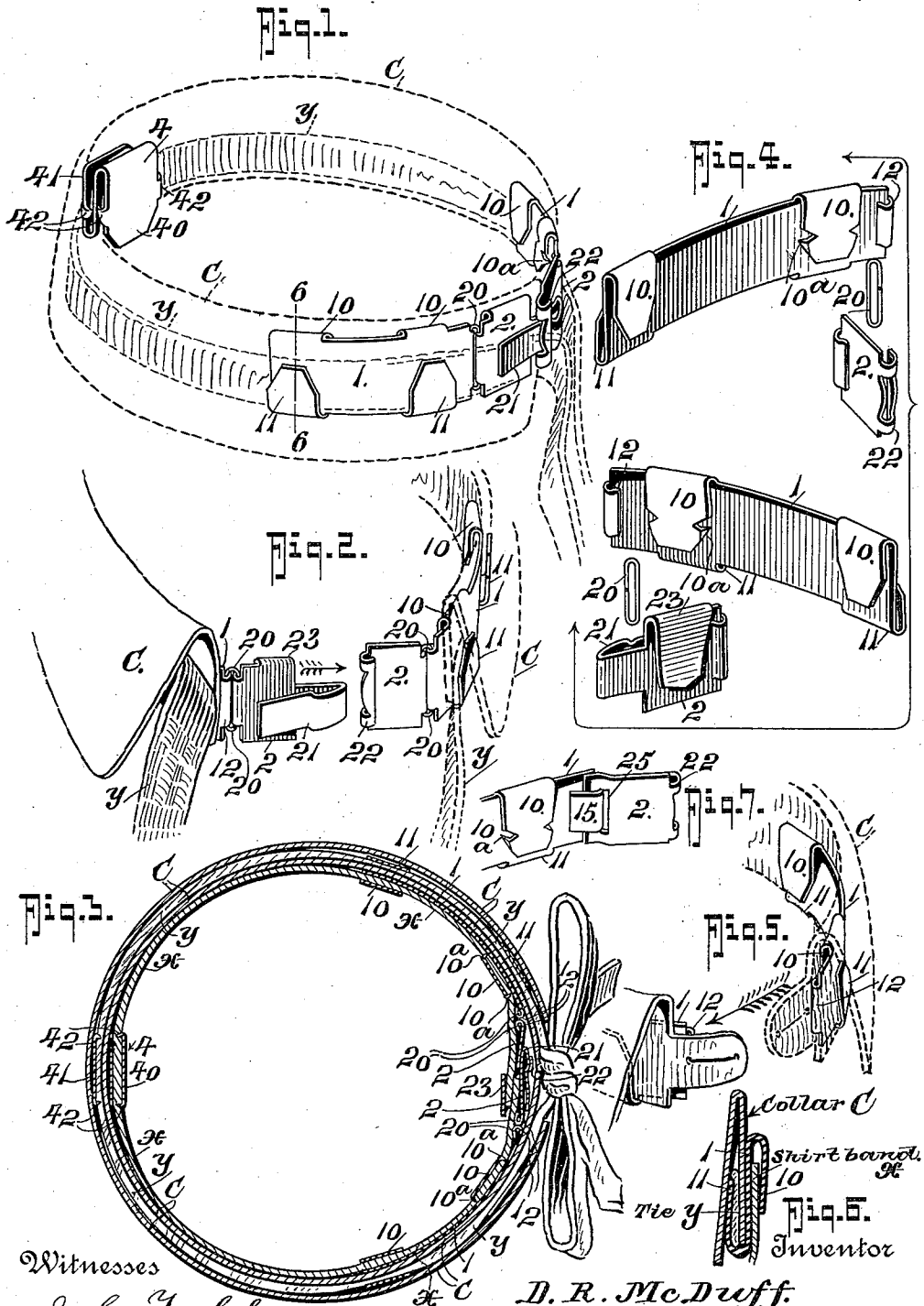


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DANIEL R. McDUFF, residing at Berclair, in the county of Goliad and State of Texas, have invented a new and Improved Collar and Necktie Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to that class of devices designed for being used with or upon collars for holding the collar, or the collar and tie in a desired position on the neck band of the shirt, and my said invention primarily has for its object to provide an improved means for the purposes stated, that when properly adjusted, will hold the collar ends, the collar on the shirt band and tie on the collar, without the use of buttons or buttonholes.

My invention, in its more complete nature, comprehends an improved construction of collar and tie holder, having the parts so arranged that the device can be used either with a buttonless collar and shirt or with the old style button fastened collar.

With other objects in view that will hereinafter appear, my invention consists in the collar and tie holder embodying the peculiar construction and novel arrangement of parts, all of which will hereinafter appear, be specifically pointed out in the appended claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1, is a perspective view of the preferred form of my invention, the collar and tie being indicated positioned therewith, in dotted lines. Fig. 2, is a perspective view of the closure ends of the collar with my holding device applied, the latter being shown in the separated or open position, a part of the collar and the necktie being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 3, is a plan view, parts being in section, the collar being held closed and the necktie shown as tied. Fig. 4, is a detail view that illustrates the several parts of my holder, separated. Fig. 5, shows a slightly modified arrangement of my invention, the parts being adjusted for use in the old style button held collar. Fig. 6, is a cross section on the line 6—6 on Fig. 1. Fig. 7, is a detail perspective view illustrating a slightly modified fastener means.

My improved device comprises a pair of like shaped thin and resilient metal plates 1—1 that form opposite holding members, since one of such plates is provided for each end of the collar.

Each plate 1 has two sets of hinges at

the opposite edges, one set of which is bent inwardly and downwardly to form inside clasps 10—10 on the upper edge of the plates for slipping over the neck band *x* of the shirt, see Fig. 6, the other set 11—11 being bent upwardly and outwardly from the lower edge of the plates, to form the clasps or holders for the collar *c* and the tie *y*, as is clearly shown in the drawing, and to insure a firm grip on the neck or collar band of the shirt one of both of the clasps 10—10 is formed with inturned spurs 10^a—10^a, best shown in Fig. 4.

Each plate 1 has an inturned lip 12—12 at the front end with which the eye loops 20 removably connect, the said loops 20 being on one end of a pair of coupling or link plates 2—2, the inner end of one of which has a spring snap 21 for engaging the latch lip 22 on the adjacent end of the other plate 2, it being apparent by referring to Fig. 2 of the drawing, the coupling plates 2—2 can be readily interlocked or separated without the inconvenience and loss of time incident in the use of the ordinary collar button, it being also manifest that by joining the ends of the collar and shirt band holders in the manner stated, the ends of the collar *c* and the neck band *x* require no buttonholes.

To hold the link portions of the holder firmly on the collar band, one of them is provided with a clasp 23 for slipping over the shirt band.

By reason of the peculiar construction and arrangement of the parts shown and described, buttonhole-less collars and shirt bands can be used and the collar and tie can be conveniently, quickly and securely adjusted and in such manner that the collar will lie against the shirt band tightly and smoothly and in such manner that the collar and shirt are held from puckering and the annoyance of chafing or irregular setting of the collar is positively overcome.

To provide against the use of a collar button and buttonholes for the back of the shirt band and the collar, I use a metal clasp 4, the construction of which is best shown in Fig. 1, and which comprises an inwardly and downwardly turned clasp 40 for fitting over the shirt band and an upwardly and outwardly bent clasp 41 having prongs 42 for gripping the collar and the tie.

In Fig. 7, I have shown a slight modification of connecting means for the members 1 and 2 which comprises a tang 15 made in-

tegral with the strip 1 and bent so as to hold the member 2 through the slot 25, this construction providing a means for more readily connecting the two parts and providing a substitute for the loops 26.

What I claim is:—

1. A holding device comprising two plates of like shape, each having means at one edge for slipping over a shirt band and means at the lower edge for receiving and holding a collar and tie, a member hinged to one end of each of the said plates and removably connected therewith, and a spring snap connection joined with the hinged members.

2. As a new article, a holder for collars and ties that consists of two curved resilient

metal plates each of which has a plunger at the upper edge that is bent inwardly and downwardly to form a clasp for slipping over a neckband of a shirt, and like flanges at the lower edge bent outwardly and upwardly for receiving a collar and a tie, a member having a removable hinge connection joined with the meeting end of one of the curved plates, and a snap connected to the other plate for joining with the hinge member, the said snap member having a clasp for engaging the neckband of a shirt.

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