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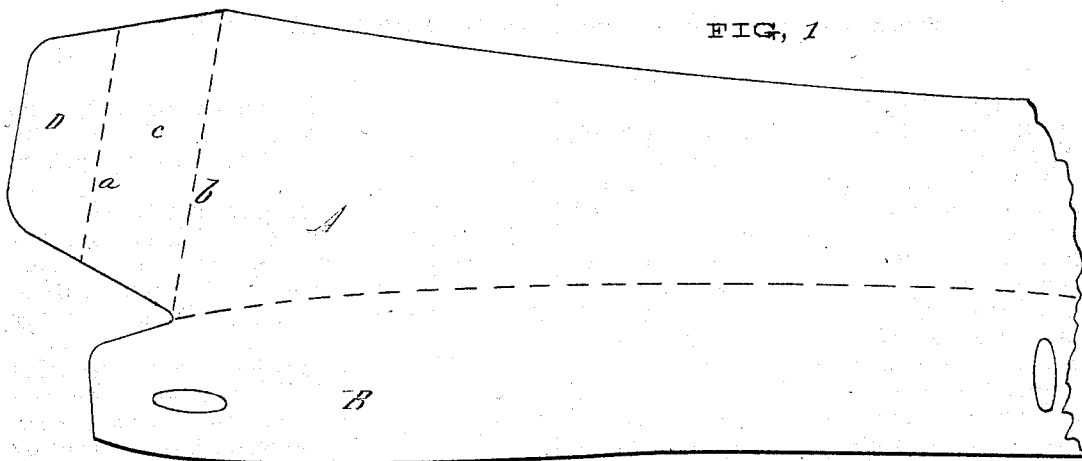


FIG. 1

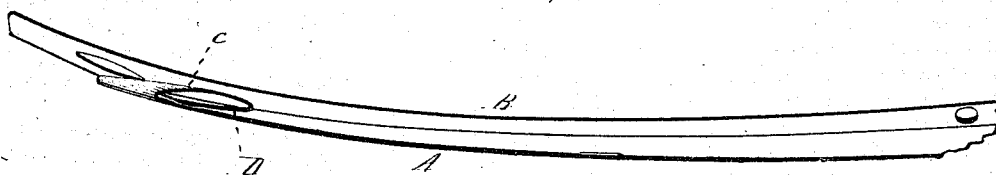


FIG. 2



Fig. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VARNUM N. TAYLOR, of Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shirt-Collars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing making a part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, in which—

Figure 1, is a plan view of my invention; and Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section through the fold.

My invention relates to the manufacture of collars, whether made entirely of paper or of cloth, or of cloth and paper combined; and it consists of an elongated portion made upon the lappet or turn-down part of the collar, which elongated portion is turned under twice, so that when the collar is adjusted upon the neck of the wearer the turned down portion holds the elongated folded part in place, and the collar is very much stiffened and strengthened thereby, and whereby the face of the lappet or turn-down part is raised to imitate a tape-edge by the pressure of the folded elongated end against said turned down part.

That others skilled in the art may be able to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the same.

In the drawing, Fig. 1 represents so much of a plan view of a collar as is necessary to illustrate my invention, in which A is the lappet or "turn-down" part, which is made considerably elongated at the end, and may be of a tapered form, so as to fold under more readily. The part D is folded at the line *a*, and the part *c* is again folded at the line *d*, so that

when the lappet A is folded down at the line *b* there is a double fold of the end of the lappet beneath, and is kept in place by the lappet itself.

To make an imitation of a tape-edge it is only necessary to press the folded elongated end firmly against the turn-down part, by rolling or otherwise, causing said folded part to make its imprint in the back of the lappet or turn-down portion.

When the collar is adjusted to the neck this arrangement of a double fold makes the collar very much stiffer and stronger, and the collar will not readily become broken or bent by ordinary wear.

It is evident that the end of the lappet may be folded in more than two places, so as to make more than two thicknesses of the part folded over; but for ordinary purposes, and for common thicknesses of material, two folds might be quite sufficient.

I am aware that a single fold has been made upon the lappet of a collar, and I do not, therefore, claim a collar having such single fold for the purpose of improving the appearance of the collar; but

Having described my invention, what I do claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a shirt-collar having two or more folds, at *a d*, upon the end of the lappet or turn-down part, for the purpose and substantially as described.

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