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SCARF SHIELD.

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Fig. 1.

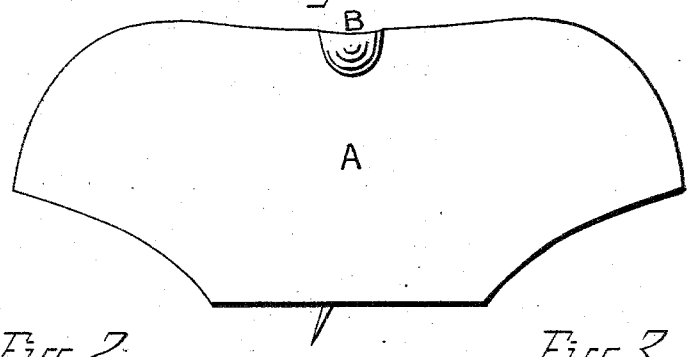


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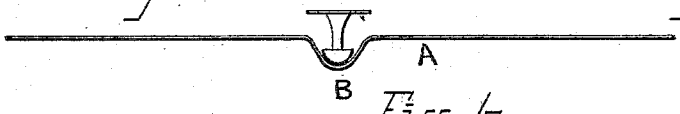


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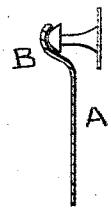


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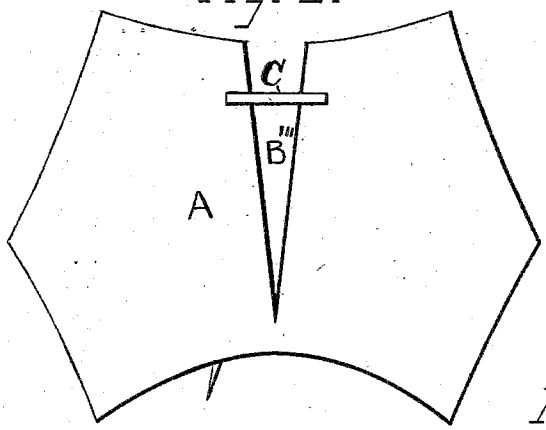


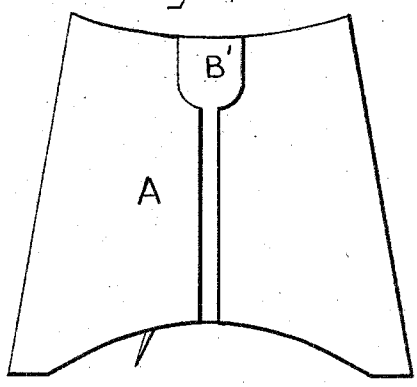
Fig. 4.



Fig. 5.



Fig. 7.



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SCARF-SHIELD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS J. FLAGG, a resident of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Scarf-Shields; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to made-up scarfs for men's wear which are fitted at their upper ends with a shield or stiffening-piece adapted to support the top of the scarf.

It has for its object the steadying of the shield and scarf in position, so as to prevent it from riding up upon the neck or from moving from side to side out of its proper line of adjustment; and it consists in forming a notch or recess in the upper edge of the shield to receive and embrace the collar-button when applied thereto.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation, Fig. 2 a top edge view, and Fig. 3 a vertical section, of a scarf-shield having a button-recess formed upon its upper edge by embossing or stamping up the material of the shield. Figs. 4 and 5 illustrate the embracing notch or recess as cut out upon the upper edge of the shield. Fig. 6 illustrates the notch as extended down nearly to the lower edge of the shield, and Fig. 7 illustrates an application of the invention to a jointed shield.

A is a shield or stiffening-piece, made of prepared card-board, thin metal, or other suitable material, cut to any desired shape, as required for the special design of scarf.

B is a notch or recess formed centrally at or in the upper edge of the shield, and adapted to receive and to engage a collar-button. This recess may be struck up or indented or embossed into the material of which the shield is made by compressing it between dies properly shaped to produce a socket or concavity adapted to fit over the button, as shown in Figs. 1 to 3; or it may be formed by cutting away the material of the shield to receive the button, as shown in Figs. 4 to 7. The notch may be formed either of a semicircular shape, as shown at B′, Fig. 4, or be cut to form a V-shaped or angular opening, as shown at B″ in Fig. 5, and this V-shaped notch may be so extended as to add to the flexibility of the shield, as shown at B‴ in Fig. 6, in which case the lining of the shield serves to connect and tie the sides of the notch, and thus preserve the continuity of the shield and prevent it from spreading apart. A cross-strip, C, which, by preference, is made of elastic material, is secured across the extended notch B‴, to engage the collar-button from below and prevent the scarf from moving up, its lateral movement being prevented by the sides of the notch.

When a made-up scarf or tie provided with either form of my improved notched shield, as described, is fitted to the neck of the wearer over the shirt-bosom, the notch or recess in the shield will pass over the ordinary front collar-button, and so embrace it as that the button will serve to arrest any lateral movement of the scarf or tie, and also keep it from riding up when a standing collar is worn.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A shield for neckties, having a portion at the center displaced at a point where the shield, when in use, would otherwise be in contact with the collar-stud upon the shirt of the wearer, as set forth, for the purpose specified.

2. A stiffening-piece or shield for made-up scarfs and ties, having a long central notch cut therein, to increase its flexibility and prevent, in combination with a shirt-collar button, any lateral movement of the scarf or tie upon the neck of the wearer, substantially as herein set forth.

3. The combination, with a shield having an extended notch cut in the upper edge, of a transverse strip, C, spanning the notch, substantially in the manner and for the purpose herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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