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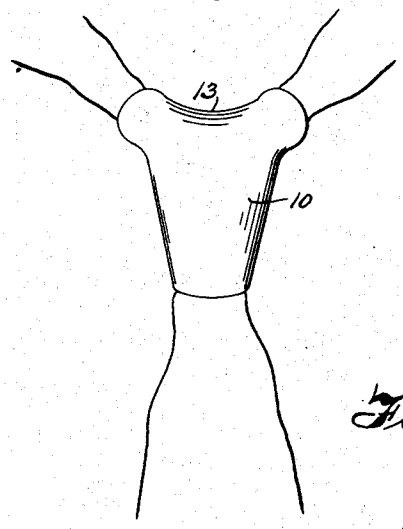


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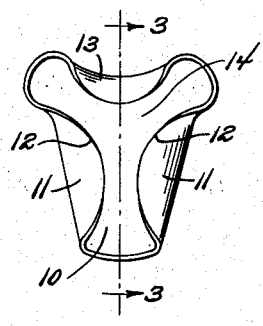


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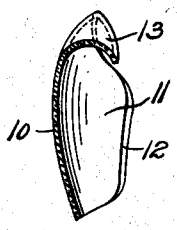


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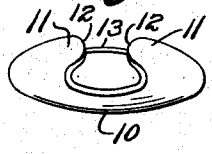
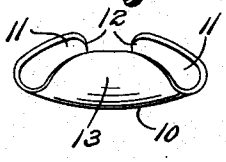


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1 Claim. (Cl. 2—144)

This invention relates to a necktie knot protector and has for an object to provide a sheath or shell preferably formed of Celluloid and shaped to slip over the knot on a necktie to first, give a poorly knotted necktie the appearance of having a perfect knot, second, to save from soiling and wear that portion of the necktie where the knot is and which is fingered most, and third, to provide a device of this character which will perform equally well over a single knot on a necktie.

A further object is to provide a device of this character which may be formed in various sizes and shapes to receive different sizes of necktie knots, and may be colored or tinted, and may also be formed of different materials suitable to give the desired result.

A further object is to provide apparatus of this character which will be formed of a few strong, simple and durable parts, which will be inexpensive to manufacture, and which will not easily get out of order.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed, it being understood that various modifications may be resorted to within the scope of the appended claim without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a necktie knot protector constructed in accordance with the invention, applied to a necktie four in hand knot.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation of the knot protector shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a longitudinal sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of Figure 2.

Figure 4 is a bottom plan view of the knot protector.

Figure 5 is a top plan view of the knot protector.

Referring now to the drawing in which like characters of reference designate similar parts in the various views, the necktie knot protector comprises a sheath or shell 10 formed of Celluloid preferably, either transparent or colored, and of substantially triangular shape. The shell is directed rearwardly at its longitudinal side edges to form rearwardly curved flaps 11 having rounded confronting edges 12. The shell is provided at its top edge with a downwardly and rearwardly curved flap 13 which extends above the confronting edges 12 of the side flaps 11. In practise the shell may be formed from a circular sheet of material pressed into the shape shown to provide the substantially triangular front of the shell curved side flaps 11 and curved top flap 13. The material is sufficiently resilient to shape a knot during application of the shell to simulate a perfect knot if the knot is poorly tied.

In applying the device the necktie is pressed with the thumb in a rectilinear direction from back to front into the Y-shaped opening designated by the numeral 14, in the back of the shell between the flaps 11 and 13. The shell is then lifted upward with one hand and the necktie is pulled down with the other hand so that the shell may slip in place over the knot with the side flaps 11 engaged in rear of the knot and the top flap 13 straddling the top of the knot. The resiliency of the shell holds the device in applied position on the knot.

From the above description it is thought that the construction and operation of the invention will be fully understood without further explanation.

What is claimed is:

A necktie knot protector comprising a shell formed from a single circular blank of Celluloid having a downwardly directed rearwardly bent upper portion and two laterally directed rearwardly bent side portions, said portions having their free convex edges spaced and confronting one another to thereby provide a Y-shaped opening in the back of the shell to permit a necktie knot being pressed in a rectilinear direction from rear to front of the shell to apply the shell to the knot, said rearwardly bent upper portion providing a flap adapted to straddle the top of the knot while the rearwardly bent side portions provide flaps adapted to straddle the sides of the knot, the front of the shell provided with a concave upper edge and being substantially triangular and adapted to engage the front of the knot.

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