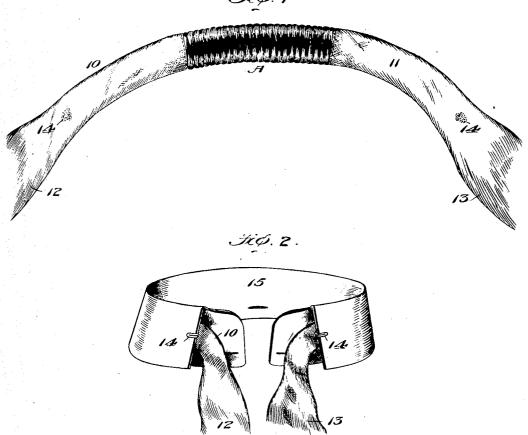
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Charles W. T. Davies, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at New York, county of New York, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Elastic Parts of Wearing-Apparel and Neckties, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to neckties having 10

retainers.

The object of the present invention is the provision of a retainer necktie having separate free tying ends with means thereon for 15 engaging the collar or the collar button at the front and an elastic self-adjusting neckband which is adapted to stretch into absolute conformity with the collar on which the necktie is placed, insuring perfect secure-20 ment by the retainers, and obviating the necessity for the retailers to stock such ties in collar sizes.

The invention is set forth fully hereinafter and its novel features are recited in the

25 appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a view of the necktie; Fig. 2 is a view showing the necktie on a turn-over or highband collar.

The necktie 10 has the elastic part A, forming a section of its neckband 11. The elastic section A consists of a piece of elastic webbing inclosed within the neckband and stitched thereto by a line of stitch-35 ing running lengthwise thereof along the approximate median line thereof while the elastic webbing is stretched, so that the elastic webbing retracts or recoils when released and in so doing, draws up the fabric 40 into transverse plaits, folds or tucks At the junction of the neckband and tying

ends 12 and 13, retainers 14 are provided. These may be tabs, rings or eyes, or even friction strips, but are preferably hooks 45 adapted to engage the edges of the collar 15. If rings, tabs or loops be employed, they may be engaged with the front collar button. As hooks are adapted to engage the buttonholes or edges of the collar, I prefer to em-50 ploy them, as the necktie can then be applied to and retained on the collar before attaching the collar to the shirt neckband and thus "stay put" even after the collar be removed therefrom. They also confer 55 the other quite distinct advantage of hold-

ing the tie secured at any height on the outer flap of the neckband, so as to permit of the knot being adjusted at any position at the collar front.

The particular advantage of the associa- 60 tion of the elastic section of the necktie with the retainers 14 (Fig. 1) resides in the adaptability of the necktie to different sizes of collars, rendering it unnecessary for the purchaser to buy a given size, and, more espe- 65 cially, in the automatic or self-contracting property of the neckband which causes the retainers 14 to be maintained in firm engagement with the collar (or collar button) at all times.

The elastic part A may be used in other parts of the neckband of a necktie than at the back part thereof. For instance, it may be located at one or both sides of the neckband or in the neckband adjacent the 75 junction thereof with the tying ends or bow. As many of the elastic parts A, positioned

as desired in the neckband, may be used. By the expression "tying ends", I intend to include all neckties or cravats whether 80

made up or tied by hand.

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

1. A necktie having an elastic, self-adjust- 85 ing neckband, tying ends, and retainers located at the junction of the neckband and tying ends.

2. A necktie having a closed elastic selfadjusting neckband, tying ends, and retain- 90 ers located at the junction of the neckband

and tying ends.

3. A necktie having a neckband equipped with an elastic member connected thereto by stitching applied lengthwise of the neck- 95 band and elastic member when the elastic member is under tension, tying ends, and retainers located at the junction of the neckband and tying ends.

4. A necktie having an elastic self-adjust- 100 ing neckband, tying ends, and hooks located at the junction of the neckband and tying

ends.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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