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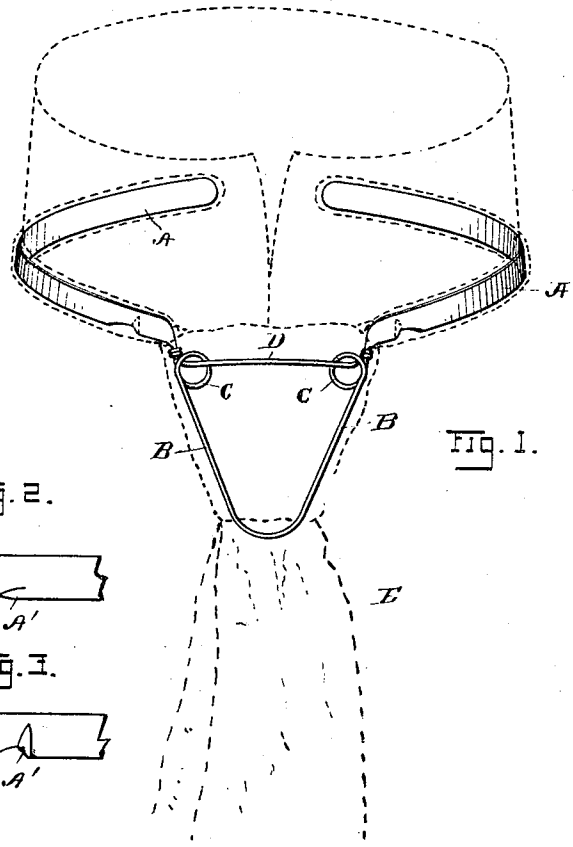


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

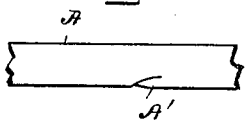
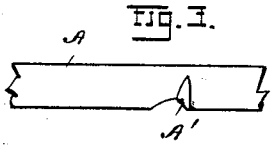


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH W. BLUNDON, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Necktie-Fasteners; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of said invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it most nearly appertains to make, use, and practice the same.

This invention relates to improvements in wearing-apparel, and more particularly to necktie-fasteners; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter set forth.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is an illustrative view showing the invention in position upon the collar. The collar and necktie are shown in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a detail view of a part of the neckband to illustrate the cut in the same, which is ultimately turned into a hook to be extended under the edge of the collar to retain the tie in position. Fig. 3 is a detail view of the section shown in Fig. 2, the hook having been completed and turned.

The object which the present invention has in view is to form a readily and quickly adjustable device for a necktie. It consists in the neckband-springs A, which are integral parts of the portion which I style the "frame" B. The frame B is constructed of round spring-wire of suitable size and the ends constituting the neckband A are flattened, as shown in the drawings at Fig. 1. The frame B is provided with the twisted eyelets C to receive the brace D. The brace D consists of a short length of spring-wire, which is extended through the eyelets C and secured firmly to the sides of the frame B. The frame B and brace D constitute a triangular frame, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. By means of the brace D spreading of the frame B is prevented and the resiliency of the flattened wires constituting the neck-band A is maintained.

In construction the neckband A or the sides thereof are provided with suitable fabric coverings, which correspond to the pattern and style of the tie E. It is particularly adapted for white and black ties, though any of the party-colored or variegated designs may be used. The covering, however, for the sides of the neckband A, it will be understood, are separable from the necktie E. The neckband-pieces A are provided with the hooks A′, which are struck up from it, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. In adjusting the neck-pieces A on the collar the hooks A′ are inserted under the lower edge of the collar and prevent the tie from riding upon the same.

The triangular part constituted by the frame B and brace D forms a frame upon which various styles of ties may be formed. The tie illustrated in the drawings is what is known as the ordinary "sailor-knot," produced by suitably tying the fabric about the frame and brace.

With a spring construction such as described it is evident that the tie may be readily and quickly either readjusted or removed from the collar. Also any desired tie fabric may be placed on the neckband and new or refreshened tie portions E may be renewed. By means of a construction of this nature the parts of the tie which have become soiled by contact with the person of the wearer or from other causes may be shifted, so as to be concealed, while the freshened part of the tie may be exposed, thus extending the life, or useful life, of the ordinary length of neckties.

Having thus described this invention, it is claimed—

1. A device of the nature indicated, composed of a single piece of spring-wire, the central portion of which is bent to form a frame while the ends are flattened to produce neckbands; substantially as described.

2. A device of the nature indicated, comprising a single piece of resilient material having its central portion bent to form a frame and its end portions extending from said frame to produce neckbands, and a brace connecting the frame sides whereby they are held in proper relative position; substantially as described.

3. A device of the nature indicated, comprising a single piece of resilient material bent

to form a frame and each side of the frame being bent upon itself to produce eyelets, the ends of the said single piece of material extending from the frame to produce neckbands, and a brace passing through the said eyelets and engaging the sides of the frame; substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of March, 1899.

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