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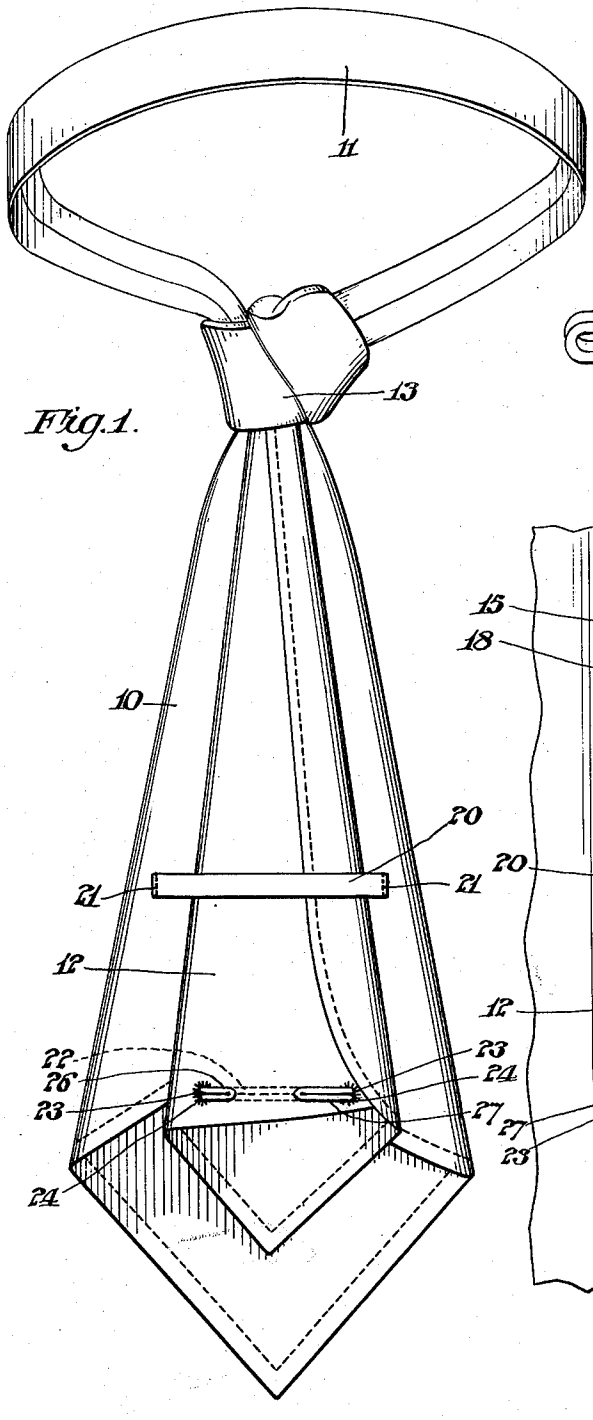


Fig. 1.

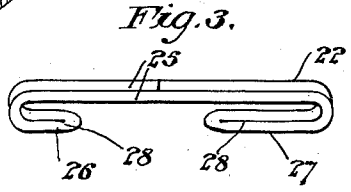


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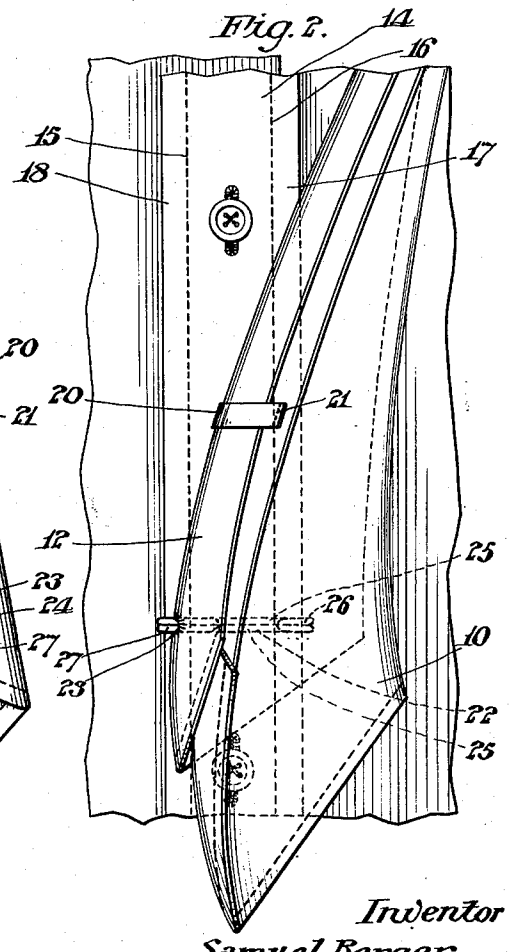


Fig. 2.

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My invention relates to a necktie construction, and more particularly to the details of construction of a necktie by which the same will be maintained in close proximity to the front portion of a shirt.

Numerous attempts have heretofore been made to provide devices for holding a necktie close to the front of the shirt of the wearer, but the same rely upon frictional gripping across the front of the apron of the tie, or upon engagement of portions of the tie by hinged spring clamps or the like. These prior devices, in the main, cause excessive wear of portions of the tie, or grip the tie in such manner that the same is creased and wrinkled, or so held that it hangs from the collar in an unattractive manner. Furthermore, many users of neckties object to visible tie holding devices, because the same are not wholly satisfactory in use, and in the belief that these devices are unattractive in appearance.

An object of the invention, therefore, is to provide an improved necktie construction by which the necktie will be held in the desired position with respect to the shirt front.

A further object of the invention is to provide an improved necktie construction which will be simple in construction, and which will have numerous advantageous features not heretofore obtained.

A further object of the invention is to provide a necktie construction containing within itself the necessary devices for holding it in the desired relationship with respect to the front portion of a shirt.

A further object of the invention is to provide means for holding a necktie in proper and satisfactory condition without employing visible parts.

Other objects of the invention will be apparent from the annexed specification and claims.

The nature and characteristic features of the invention will be more readily understood from the following description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing forming part hereof, in which:

Figure 1 is a rear elevational view of a four-in-hand necktie in tied form, showing the main features of the present invention;

Fig. 2 is an elevational view looking toward the front of a shirt, to illustrate the manner in which a necktie embodying the novel features of construction herein set forth is applied to the front of a shirt, portions of the necktie, however, being turned so that the details of the mode of attachment may be seen; and

Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective view of one of the members employed in carrying out the invention.

It will of course be understood that the description and drawing herein contained are illustrative merely, and that various modifications and changes may be made in the structure disclosed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, in which a preferred embodiment of my invention is shown, a necktie of the four-in-hand type is illustrated, having the usual apron portion 10, neckband portion 11, and tongue portion 12. The necktie is shown tied with a knot, as at 13, of the type ordinarily made by users of four-in-hand ties.

With but few exceptions, the shirts now on the market are provided, as shown in Fig. 2, with a facing strip or front pleat, as at 14, which is secured to one side of the front part of the shirt by lines of stitches 15 and 16. The outer portion of this pleat, between the line of stitches 16 and the extremity, overlaps the front portion of the shirt to which it is attached, to provide a narrow edge portion 17. The pleat 14 has a free edge portion, as at 18, which projects over the other front part of the shirt.

A band or strip 20, of tape or the like, is secured at its ends, by stitches 21 or in any other preferred manner, to the rear portion of the apron 10. This band 20 serves to hold the apron portion 10 of the necktie close to the tongue portion 12 thereof, the tongue portion 12 being passed between said band 20 and the rear face of the apron portion 10. Displacement of said apron portion 10 with respect to said tongue portion 12 is thus prevented, and yet the proper adjustments may be made after the knot is formed by the wearer.

A fastening member 22, preferably made of wire, is secured to the lower end of the back of the tongue portion 12 in any suitable manner. While the fastening member 22 may be permanently attached to the tongue portion 12 by suitable stitches, a preferable mode of attachment is by passing portions thereof through holes or apertures 23 in the rear turned over fabric of the tongue portion 12, thus simplifying the manner of attachment. The holes or apertures 23 may, of course, be reinforced in any desired manner, such as by buttonhole stitches 24.

The fastening member 22 includes a strip 25 of a length to correspond to the width of the front pleat 14 of a shirt, and has a short bent over end 26, for engagement with the inner side

of the edge portion 17 of the pleat 14, and a longer bent over end 27, for engagement with the inner side of the edge portion 18 of the pleat 14 of the shirt. The longer bent over end 27 is disposed to the side to engage the free edge 18 of the pleat 14 of the shirt.

The inside faces 28 of the bent over ends 26 and 27 are spaced from the strip 25 a distance just sufficient to engage the pleat 14 of the shirt and prevent displacement of the tongue portion 12 of the necktie. By reason of the manner in which the apron and tongue portions of the necktie are held together, this engagement of the fastening member 22 with the front pleat 14 will hold the entire lower portion of the necktie close to the front of the shirt, and will prevent the necktie from moving outwardly from the shirt front or from moving laterally with respect to the pleat 14.

I claim:

1. In combination with a shirt having a front pleat and a necktie having an end portion, a device for holding said end portion against said front pleat of the shirt comprising a unitary clip member attached to the rear of and extending across said end portion of the necktie and having its ends extending around and in back of both edges of said pleat in engagement with back portions of said pleat.

2. In combination with a shirt having a front pleat and a necktie having an end portion, a vice for holding said end portion against s front pleat comprising a member secured to necktie and extending across said end por and having its ends turned back along the cr wise extending portion in engagement with back portions of the pleat edges, said mer being concealed to the rear of said end port

3. In combination with a shirt having a fi pleat and a necktie having a tongue port said tongue portion having a front face, m for holding said tongue portion in engagem with said front pleat of the shirt, said m comprising a flattened C-shaped member (ried by said tongue portion of the necktie secured thereto to the rear of the front face having its end portions extending in back of in engagement with the edges of said pleat.

4. In combination with a shirt having a fi pleat and a necktie having a tongue portion a front face, means for holding said tongue tion in engagement with said front pleat, means comprising a flattened C-shaped mer attached to said tongue portion to the rea the front face, the long portion thereof bein a length to correspond to the width of the p and the turned back portions thereof b adapted for engagement with the back edge the pleat.

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