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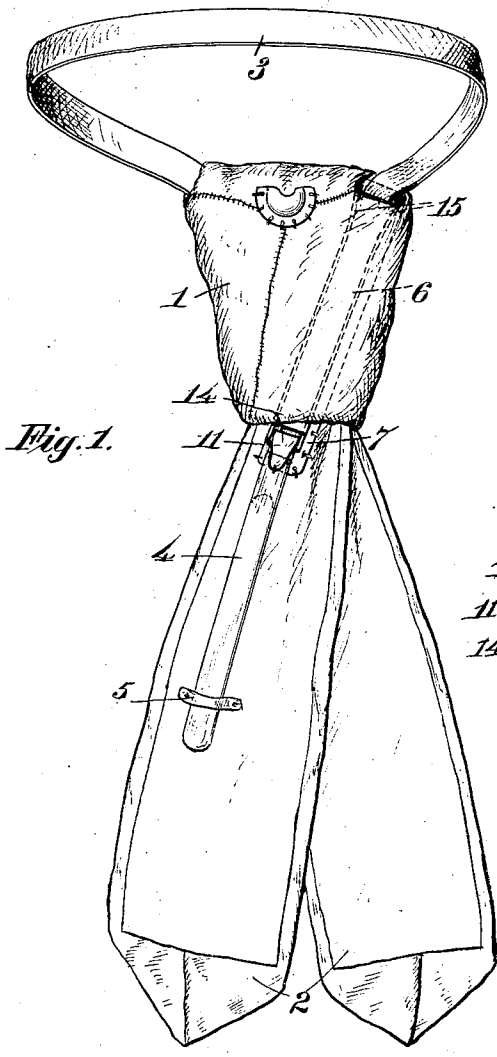


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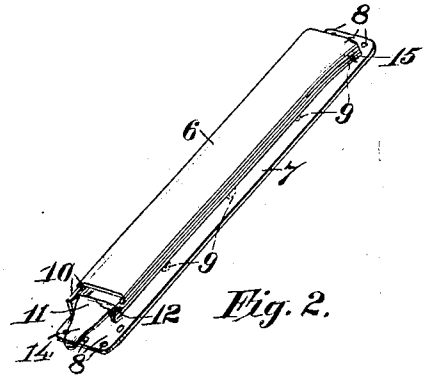


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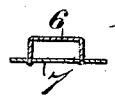


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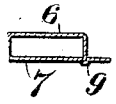


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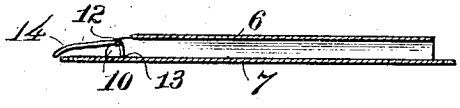


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTHONIE J. C. EGBERTS, a subject of the Queen of the Netherlands, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neckties, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to neck-ties and has particular reference to devices for fastening the free end of the straps of ready made ties, after it has passed around the neck. The ready made tie such as is now on the market has several objectional features. These ties are equipped with a pin secured in the body of the tie and which is adapted to stick into the fabric of the free end of the strap to fasten the same. This pin occasions considerable annoyance to the wearer of the tie inasmuch as the strap must be pulled considerably tighter than it is to be worn in order to fasten it and in fastening and unfastening the tie, the pin usually pricks the fingers. Further, the end of the strap is provided with a stiffening substance and is passed through a passage way formed for it in the material composing the body of the tie. Inasmuch as the continual rubbing of fabric upon fabric causes the tie and the strap soon to become worn, and as the stiffened end, by continually catching in the material and breaking the stitches, the tie soon becomes worthless.

The object of my invention is to provide a ready made tie having the appearance of the usual tie and of such improved construction as to materially increase its lasting or wearing qualities.

A further object is to provide a tie as mentioned which shall be more easily fastened in proper position than those now on the market.

Other objects will appear hereinafter.

With these objects in view my invention consists broadly in a neck-tie of the usual style in combination with a sleeve made of suitable material and embedded in the body portion of the tie and through which the free end of the strap is to be passed, and a suitable clasp upon the lower end of said sleeve.

My invention further consists in various details of construction and arrangements of parts all as will be hereinafter fully described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

My invention will be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification and in which,

Figure 1 is a rear view of a tie embodying my invention in its preferred form, Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the sleeve and clasp, Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section thereof and Fig. 4 is a cross section of the sleeve, and Fig. 5 is a cross section of a modified form of sleeve.

Referring to the drawings, 1 indicates the body of a neck-tie, having the usual loose ends, 2, and 3 indicates the strap. The free end, 4 of the strap is stiffened in the usual or any preferred manner, and when the tie is being worn is held in a loop, 5, arranged on the back of one of the loose ends 2. Embedded in the body portion, 1 is the sleeve, 6. This may be formed of any suitable material, but I prefer to make the same of light, thin sheet metal. It comprises a flat plate, 7 having a plurality of holes, 8, by which it may be sewed to the tie, and the sleeve portion, 6 of slightly less length than said plate. It is preferably stamped out in one piece and bent into the form shown, although it may be made in two pieces as shown in Fig. 5. When made in one piece the free end of the sleeve may be soldered to the plate, 7 or it may be formed with a plurality of lugs, 9 which pass through corresponding holes in the plate, 7 and are then upset to retain them in place. At the lower end, the outer portion of the sleeve is cut away leaving ears or lugs, 10 between which is pivotally arranged the clasp, 11. The clasp, 11 comprises an angular metal plate pivoted as at 12, between the ears, 10 and having an edge, 13 to engage the end of the strap. The clasp is provided with an extension, 14, which forms a lever by which the clasp is manipulated.

The sleeve extends from the point where the strap enters the body of the tie to or beyond the lower end of said body. This forms a guide for the end of the strap in passing it through the body. Hence, prevents the stiffened end of the strap from either wearing or tearing the tie. After the strap is drawn through to the desired extent, the lever, 14 is depressed into the position shown in several of the figures, and securely fastening the strap. When the strap 3 is quite broad, I prefer to flare the upper end of the sleeve as at 15, to prevent doubling or creasing the strap, which would cause it to present

an unsightly appearance where it joins the body, 1.

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

1. A neck-tie comprising the usual body portion, and strap, in combination with a sleeve formed of any suitable material and arranged within said body portion, said sleeve forming a passage way throughout the extent of said body portion for the end of said strap and a clasp upon the end of said sleeve, substantially as described.

2. A neck-tie comprising the usual body portion and strap, in combination with a sleeve arranged within said body portion and throughout the extent of said body portion forming a passage way for the end of the strap, ears formed upon the lower end of said sleeve and a clasp arranged between said ears, substantially as described.

3. A neck-tie comprising the usual body portion and strap, in combination with a sleeve arranged within said body portion and extending from the top to the bottom thereof, said sleeve having a flared upper end, and a clasp arranged upon the lower end of said sleeve, substantially as described.

4. A necktie comprising the usual body portion and strap, in combination with a sleeve arranged within said body portion and extending from a point at the top of said body portion to a point below the lower edge thereof and forming a passageway throughout the extent of said body portion for the end of the strap and means on the lower end of said sleeve and beneath the lower edge of said body portion for fastening said strap, substantially as described.

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

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