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Fig. 1

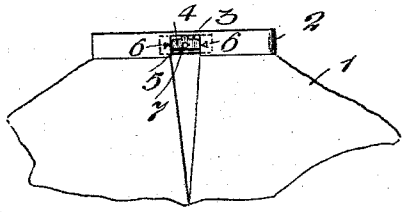


Fig. 2

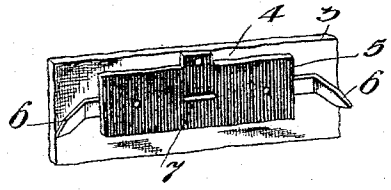
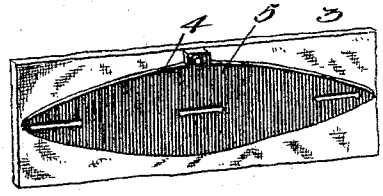


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS J. REDWINE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cherokee, in the county of Colbert and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neckband-Adjusters; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to a neckband-adjuster for shirts; and the object is to provide a device of this character which may be easily attached to and removed from the neckband of a shirt and by means of which the wearer may secure a perfect fit of the shirt about the neck.

With this object in view the invention consists of certain features of construction and combination of parts, which will be hereinafter fully set forth and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view of a portion of a shirt, showing one form of my improved neckband-adjuster. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of the neckband-adjuster removed, and Fig. 3 is a similar view of a modification.

In the drawings, 1 denotes a fragment of a shirt, and 2 the neckband.

3 denotes a strip of cloth, which I will term a "shield," and 4 denotes the neckband-adjuster proper, which consists of a strip of elastic 5, the upper edge of which is riveted to the shield and the ends of which are provided with outwardly-projecting prongs 6. The center of the elastic is formed with a buttonhole 7.

In use the prongs are forced from the inside of the collar-band outwardly through the ends thereof and thus connect the ends together, the shield serving to prevent the base of the collar-button injuring the neck.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a modified form, which consists in forming the ends of the adjuster with buttonholes instead of with hooks. Collar-buttons are adapted to pass through the buttonholes at the ends of the neckband and through the holes at the ends of the adjuster and in that manner secure the adjuster in position.

It will be noticed that the elastic strip or tab 5 is secured only at its central upper portion to the shield 3, and can be easily bent away from the shield at the lower edge in order that ordinary detachable collar-buttons may be readily inserted through the buttonholes, the shield then serving to prevent the rough shoe of the ordinary collar-button from chafing the neck of the wearer.

A device thus constructed is simple of construction and inexpensive of production and will be found to be exceedingly useful for the purpose for which it is designed.

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

The herein-described neckband-adjuster for shirts, comprising a flexible shield, a strip or tab of elastic material secured centrally at its upper edge thereto, and unattached at its lower edge and outer ends, and provided with a central buttonhole and means at its outer ends for attaching it to the ends of a neckband of a shirt, substantially as described.

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

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