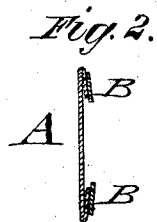
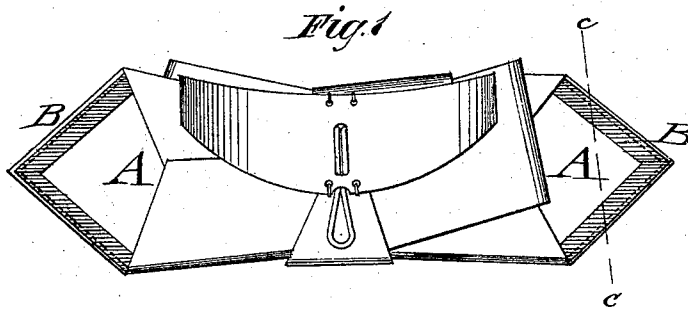


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IMPROVEMENT IN NECK-TIES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REGINALD R. PARKER, of Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented a new and Improved Neck-Tie, of which the following is a specification:

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a rear view of a neck-tie or bow with my paper facing applied to the rear edge; and Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse section through the edge part, on the line *c c*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of my invention is to furnish an improved neck-tie or bow, the ends of which are stiffened in such a manner that they are prevented from becoming limp, or wrinkled, or curled to the outside, while protecting, also, the raw edge, and imparting to the whole bow a neater and more durable shape.

Hitherto, in making bows, the fabric had to be creased by hand along the edges of the corners before the same was put into the machine to be stitched, involving a great deal of hand work, and necessitating the exposure of a raw edge, which is continually raveling out, showing threads of silk hanging down, so as to greatly impair the neatness of the bow or tie. The corners also turn inside out and assume a very unsightly appearance, so that the wearing of the bow or tie has to be dispensed with long before the same is actually worn out by use.

For the purpose of avoiding these annoying features of the bow, as at present manufactured, I intend to apply a binding or facing of paper or other suitable material to the under side of the corners, so as to protect the raw edge and stiffen the same.

In the drawing, A represents the neck-tie or

bow, of the usual material and construction, which is provided with facings or bindings B, of paper, pasteboard, tape, wire, ribbon, leather, or similar material, for stiffening and protecting the corners of the bow.

The facings B may be cut, folded, or stamped, of any color corresponding to that of the bows, and stitched, sewed, pasted, or otherwise attached, as may be found best. The facings may also be so applied that the stitching does not show at the front side, which produces neater work, and saves time, and cost, and labor, as the time for changing thread and matching the different colors of silk thread to the bows is gained, and cotton thread of all one color, instead of silk thread of different colors to match, may be used for all colors of the bows.

The paper facings should be so attached that they do not show sidewise, which is most completely obtained by turning them back on the under side over the stitching, and folding them away from the outside edge or border of the bow.

By the use of such paper facings, a neater and more serviceable bow or tie is obtained.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a neck-tie or bow provided at the under side of the corners with protecting and stiffening facings or bindings, of paper or other suitable material, applied in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

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