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DRESS COLLAR CLASP AND SUPPORT.

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Fig. 1.

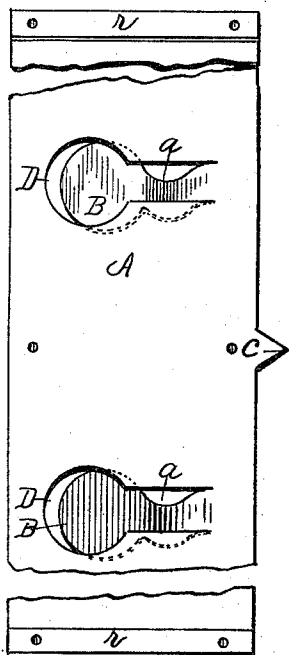


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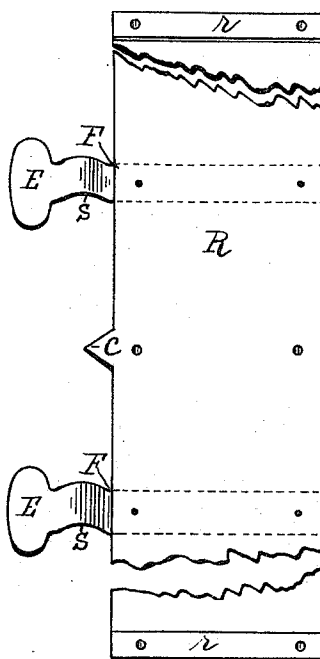


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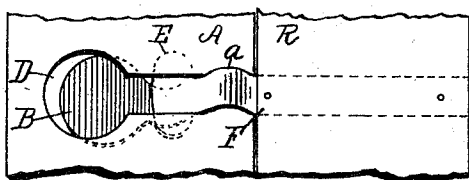


Fig. 4.

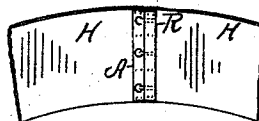


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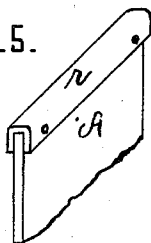
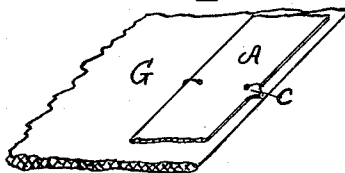


Fig. 6.



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DRESS-COLLAR CLASP AND SUPPORT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMMA M. D. LANDENBERGER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Joliet, in the county of Will and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Dress-Collar Clasp and Support, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings, and the letters of reference thereon, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figures 1 and 2 are plan views of the two parts of the device detached from each other. Fig. 3 is a plan view of a section of the two parts of the device showing the manner of their connection with each other. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the two parts of the device, each connected with the section of a collar, and showing the manner in which the device is applied to a collar for connecting and stiffening its two ends. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a binding strip for binding the ends of the plates of the device and Fig. 6 is a perspective view of a section of one of the plates, attached to a section of the end of a collar for showing the operation of the integral points for engaging the fabric.

This invention relates to certain improvements in a dress collar clasp and support, which improvements are fully set forth and explained in the following specification and claim, and relates particularly to a device for clasping the two ends of a collar together, and also for supporting the ends so they will not turn down at their upper corners, or be crimped by reason of their settling down.

Referring to the drawings A and R represent a pair of metal plates made preferably of thin steel so they will be flexible and bend to some extent. These plates are intended to be respectively attached by means of sewing or otherwise to the vertical ends of the collar as shown in Fig. 4 so as to stiffen and hold in an upright position the said collar ends.

The plate A is provided at short intervals throughout its length with transverse eyes D or slots formed by punching out a piece of metal in such manner that the punched out portion forms a tongue B having its inner end attached and integral with the plate A as shown in Fig. 1. Said tongues have formed in them between their ends an upwardly extending bend or crimp *a* for fitting a corre-

sponding bend or crimp S of the hook F on the opposite plate R. The slots or eyes D are larger at their outer end than at their inner end to admit the head E of the hook F.

The plate R is provided with the hooks F having the heads E, and the said hooks are provided with crimps or bends S for fitting the crimps or bends *a* of said tongues B.

The two plates A and R are provided along their meeting edges with sharp prods C disposed at short intervals from each other for entering the collar cloth to assist in holding it in place, and in a perpendicular line.

It is intended to have the plates A and R any desired length to fit the height of any collar, and to have any desired number of hooks and eyes disposed throughout their length, and it is intended to bind the ends of said plates with such a metal binding as is shown at *r* in Fig. 5 to prevent the plate ends from injuring the wearer, or clothing.

In operation, it is intended first to attach the plates A and R, to the ends of the collar by means of sewing or otherwise as shown in Fig. 4. The two ends are then clasped together by means of introducing the heads E of the hooks F into the slots D at their large end, and then moving said heads toward the small or narrow end of the slot so said heads E will extend at their sides under the plates A over the tongue B, until said heads are locked in the angle between said tongue and plate, and is held from returning by means of the crimp or bend S fitting over crimp or bend *a* of the tongue B as shown in Fig. 3, thus forming a clasp for connecting the two ends of the collar, and for stiffening its ends to prevent their crimping and lopping over.

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

The collar clasp and support shown and described consisting of the combination of the plate A having the series of transverse slots or eyes D and tongues B having the crimps or bends *a*, and the plate R having the series of hooks F having the heads E and crimps or bends S all arranged to operate substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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