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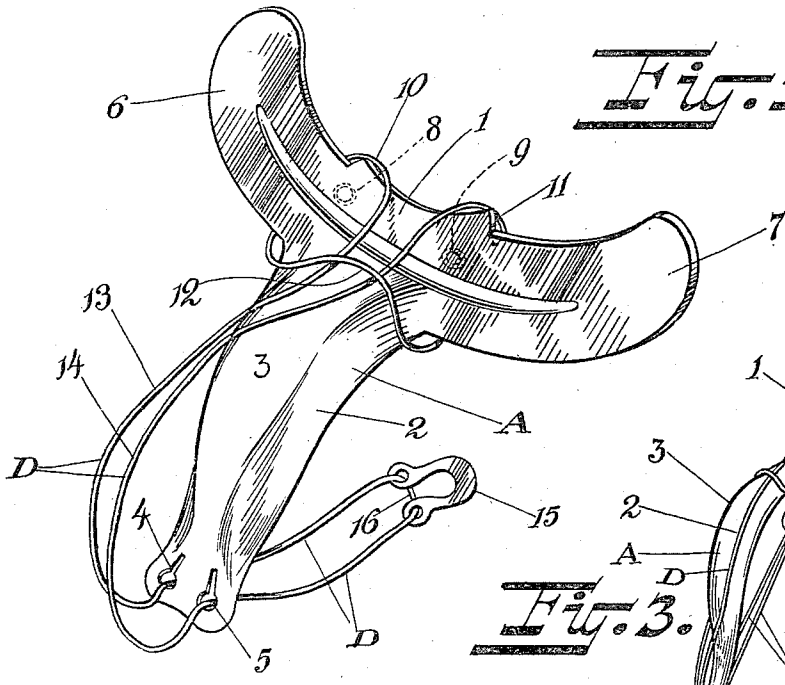


Fig. 1.

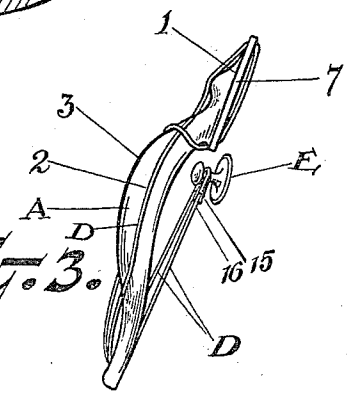


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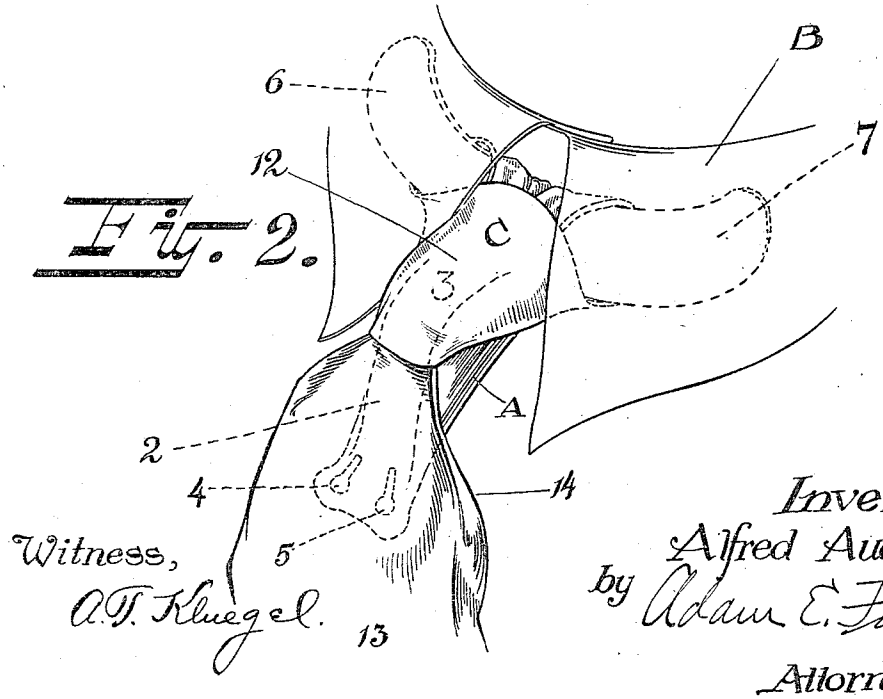


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED AUDIFFRED, a citizen of the United States, residing in Virginia City, State of Montana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Way of a Necktie-Form, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to that class of tie forms designed for the purpose of affording a simple and efficient means for facilitating the adjusting of a necktie in relation to a collar in neat and appropriate form. A further object of my invention is to afford such a device for the said purpose as will obviate the necessity of running the tie around back of the collar, the whole tie being suspended from the front by the aid of my tie form. A further object of my invention is to afford a device of this character which will tend to project the body of the tie slightly forward and into prominence, and to hold the body of the tie in firm and set position. Another object is to embody in the device itself an illustrative feature showing the method of looping the necktie. Other objects will appear in the course of this specification.

In the drawings, Figure I represents a perspective of my improved tie form with a heavy cord disposed thereupon both for the purpose of showing the method of adjusting the tie upon the tie form, and to serve at its inner end as an adjustable means of support from the collar button. This cord better illustrates, in a sketch, the course and winding necessary to adjust the tie to the form, than would a tie itself; Fig. II is a like perspective, showing the tie itself properly adjusted upon my tie form, and likewise adjusted to the collar of the wearer; Fig. III is a detail showing the method of securing the tie form to the collar.

Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, the body of my improved tie form is essentially T shaped, and is represented as a whole by the letter A. The transverse top bar 1 of the T is bent to form the wings 6 and 7 as shown, same being bent upward and backward to form somewhat of a segment of a circle, and so as to conform to the collar B of the wearer. The vertical stem 2 of my improved tie form is bulged outward at the center as shown at 3, the purpose of which is to produce an outstanding bulge in the necktie itself when placed upon the tie form; slots 4 and 5, wide enough at their bases to freely pass the hold-cord D, but narrowed at their upper ends so as to pinch said cord when drawn up, are located in the lower end of the stem 2 for the purpose of engaging the hold-cord D. The upper end of the hold-cord D is looped at 10 and 11 over the wings 6 and 7 in slip-knot form, leaving a frontal strand 12 and descending strands 13 and 14 as shown, and illustrates exactly the method of looping the tie C itself; it then passes through said slots 4 and 5 from the front, and the other end 16 extends underneath the tie form, up and through metal catch 15, which in turn engages the collar button E, thereby holding the tie form in place, and in proper relation to the collar.

This entire device may be struck from a single integral piece of metal, or the transverse top bar 1 and the vertical stem 2 may be struck separately and then riveted together by means of rivets 8 and 9 as shown in Fig. I.

In use, the tie C is placed and disposed upon my tie form in manner illustrated in Figs. I and II, and as illustrated in the device itself through the manner of looping the hold-cord D, the tie being looped to the right and left of the wearer, the right hand loop 10 being thrown over and back of the wing 6, and the left hand loop 11 being thrown over and back of the loop 7, thus leaving a frontal strand 12 of the tie transversely disposed across the downwardly extending strands 13 and 14; metal catch 15 is then set in engagement with the collar button E, thus holding the tie in neat and snug disposition upon my tie form in proper relation to the collar. The hold-cord D is made preferably from elastic cord, but any cord, or wire, may be employed for the purpose. To adjust the tension of the hold-cord D in relation to the collar button E, loosen the cord through the slots 4 and 5, draw the cord forward and then upward into the narrow portions of the slots 4 and 5, thereby locking the cord.

I have, therefore, herein provided a neat and practical tie form, and one which in itself illustrates the method of looping the necktie in place.

While I have herein described a certain specific manner and method of constructing my improved tie form, it is understood that

I may vary from the same in minor details, not departing from the spirit of my invention, so as best to conform the device to practical requirements.

What I claim to be new and patentable:

1. A tie form comprising an approximately T shaped body portion, having its vertical stem bulged outward and transverse top bar curved backward; pinch-slots pierced in the vertical stem to receive a hold-cord; and a hold-cord passed through the pinch-slots in the vertical stem and adapted for engagement with the collar button.

2. A tie form comprising a vertical stem, bulged outward at the center and having two pinch-slots in its lower end; a transverse top bar connecting medially with said vertical stem and curved at its ends to conform to the shape of a collar; and a hold-cord passing through said pinch-slots in the vertical stem and passing through a catch for engagement with the collar button.

3. A tie form comprising a vertical stem bulged outward at the center; a transverse top bar connecting medially with said stem; and a cord looped over the ends of the transverse top bar to illustrate the method of looping the necktie and as means of attachment to the collar button.

4. A tie form comprising a vertical stem bulged outward at the center and having pinch-slots pierced through it; a transverse top bar connecting medially with said stem and a hold-cord looped over the transverse top bar to show the method of looping the necktie thereon, and thence extending down through the pinch-slots in the stem as means of attachment to the collar button.

5. A tie form comprising a vertical stem, bulged outward at the center so as to leave strengthening side lips and form a block for the tie and having pinch-slots in its lower end; a transverse top bar connecting medially with said stem and forming means of engagement with the collar; a hold-cord looped over the transverse top bar to show the method of looping the necktie thereon, thence passing down through the pinch-slots, and thence upward; and a catch for connecting the end of the hold-cord to the collar button.

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