

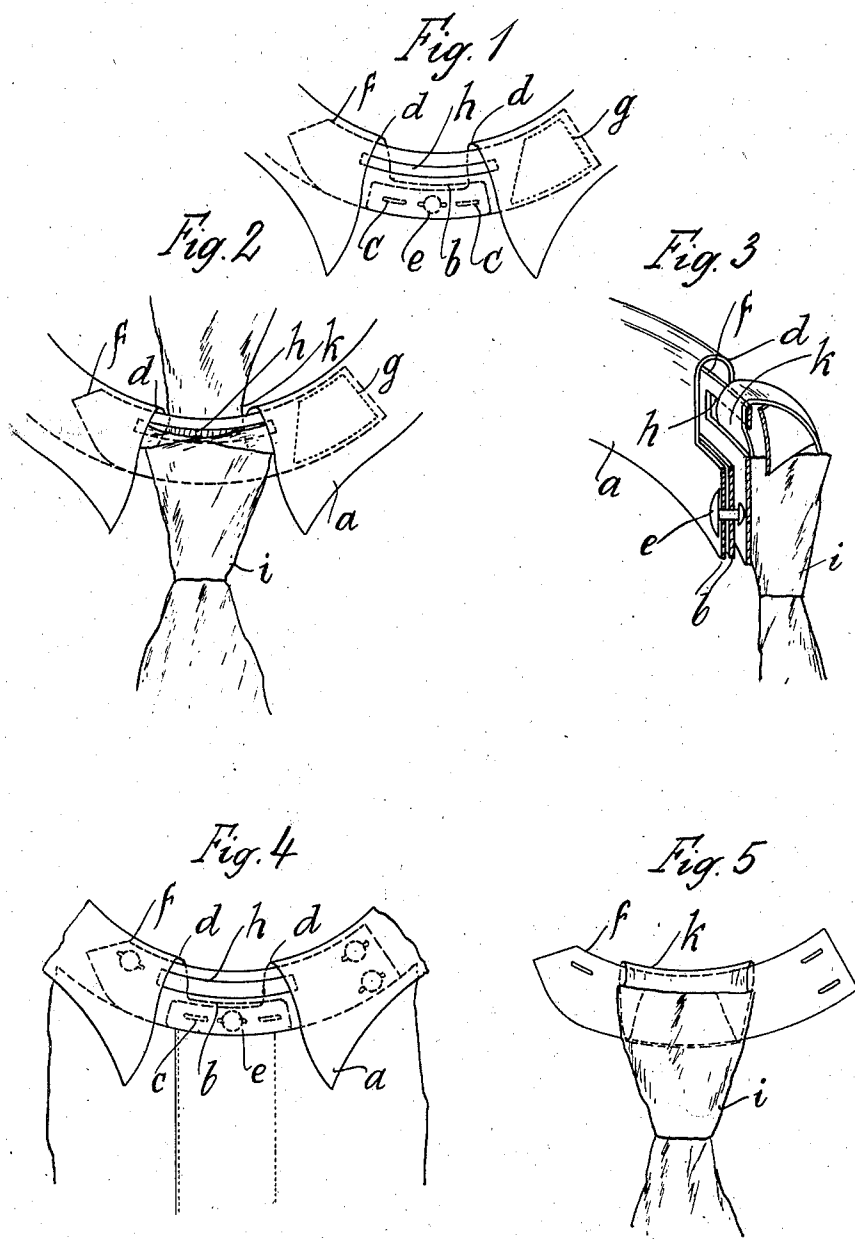
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In stand-up and stand-up-turn-down collars it is known to provide the collar with a flap having one or several button holes and designed to enable the adjusting of the collar width.

5 This invention has for its object to produce a collar which can be worn on necks of different widths, the button holes and the collar stud being, however, covered and the covering flap serving at the same time for tying a tie.

10 According to the invention the button-hole flap is covered by a covering flap preferably fixed permanently on the collar.

Thus, not only the button hole flap is covered, but also a good and secure hold of the tie is ensured.

15 An embodiment of the invention is illustrated, by way of example, in the accompanying drawing in which:—

20 Figure 1 is a view showing the covering flap sewed to the collar.

Figure 2 is a view showing the tie inserted through the slit.

Figure 3 is a cross section of Figure 2 further showing the inserted tie.

25 Figure 4 is a view showing the covering flap removably attached, and

Figure 5 is a view of the flap and tie removed from the collar.

30 Fig. 1 shows that the collar *a* has on each end a flap *b* which is somewhat longer than usual and can have several button holes *c*. Owing to this arrangement the collar can be worn as well with corners *d* bearing the one against the other, or with corners standing widely apart. Fig. 1 shows the collar with far apart corners. The longer flaps *b* and the button holes *c* as well as the collar stud *e* are covered by a covering flap *f*, which may be either fixed or removably attached on the collar. In Figs. 1 and 2 this covering flap is sewn on the collar at one edge *g*. This covering flap is pulled through a corner *d*. According to Fig. 4 the covering flap is buttoned on the collar so that it can be detached.

45 The covering flap *f* has a long slit *h* through which the tie *i*, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, is inserted.

50 As shown in Fig. 3, an end of the tie *i* is inserted through the slit *h* from the outside. The said tie end is then passed outwardly over the upper edge of the flap *f* and brought down to overlie the other tie end. The two tie ends are then knotted in any well known manner. By

reason of the fact that a portion of the knotted tie is confined in the slit *h*, it is securely held in a proper position on the collar irrespective of whether the latter is worn with its corners abutting or apart.

5 The advantages of the new collar consist especially therein that it can be adjusted to different widths, so that it is no longer necessary to wear an old-fashioned collar, as it can be adjusted in width. Shifting of the tie is also no longer possible, and it remains smooth and can be tied 10 in a large loose knot. The collar stud and the button holes are covered in any case.

For soft collars and sport collars, i. e. collars 15 sewn on the shirts, the covering and slit flap, as shown in Figs. 4 and 5, may be removably attached by means of buttons and button holes, provided, if desired, at both ends of the covering flap.

20 The tie can be tied, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, after having been pulled through the slit. This presents the advantage that it is not only easier to tie, but always fits well and remains permanently attached to the covering flap so that it can be buttoned on and unbuttoned together 25 with the covering flap so that time is saved. The tie need further not be tied and untied repeatedly, so that the tie does not wear to such an extent as at present.

30 Fig. 5 shows that, if for instance the covering flap is attached by a button and button hole, the tie can be pushed around the covering flap, this covering flap being made without the slit. Even in this instance a good fit is attained, although it is not so favorable as in the Figs. 2 and 3. 35

I claim:—

1. In a collar, a flap carried by at least one end of said collar and having buttonholes therein, said flap being adapted to overlap the other end of said collar to permit the fastening of said collar 40 ends together, a second flap attached to said collar and covering the first mentioned flap, said second flap having a longitudinal slit in its upper portion through which a tie may be threaded and folded around the edge of said flap. 45

2. In a collar according to claim 1, the first mentioned flap being adjustable by means of said buttonholes provided thereon, said second mentioned flap being detachably secured over and covering the first mentioned flap and serving as 50 a tie holder.

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