

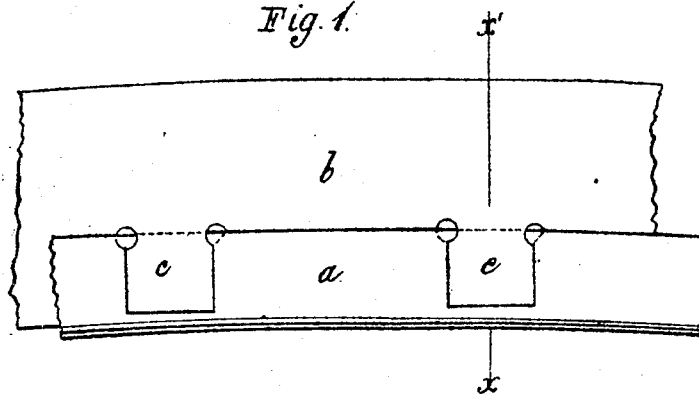
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER COLLARS.

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### *To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM L. DUFF, of Quincy, Adams county, Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Shirt-Collars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being made to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification— that is to say:

My invention is particularly applicable to paper, steel, and other "false collars," in which the use of pins is objectionable, and the purpose is to prevent the necktie or cravat from rising at the back above the place at which it is desired that it should be worn.

In the annexed drawings a view is given in Figure 1 of the back of a collar with the necktie in place, and Fig. 2 is a section on the line *xx* of Fig. 1.

The invention consists in cutting through the collar at the back, so as to form pieces which may be placed over and outside of the cravat, thereby acting as holders to retain the cravat at the desired height on the collar. At *a* is shown the cravat; and *b* represents the

collar, having portions divided vertically from the lower edge, as shown at *c*, and which are molded to fit over the cravat, as seen in Fig. 2. This forming of the part *c* is not essentially necessary with linen or paper collars, though it is with steel. The proper fitting of the cravat under *c* is facilitated by giving to the upper ends of the slits a circular form, as clearly shown in Fig. 1. When worn, it will be obvious that the cravat will remain in its proper place on the collar. The back of the cravat is covered by the coat or vest collar, and therefore presents no objectionable appearance.

I claim—

A collar having its lower part slitted so that portions at the back will pass outside of the cravat, in the manner and for the purposes substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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