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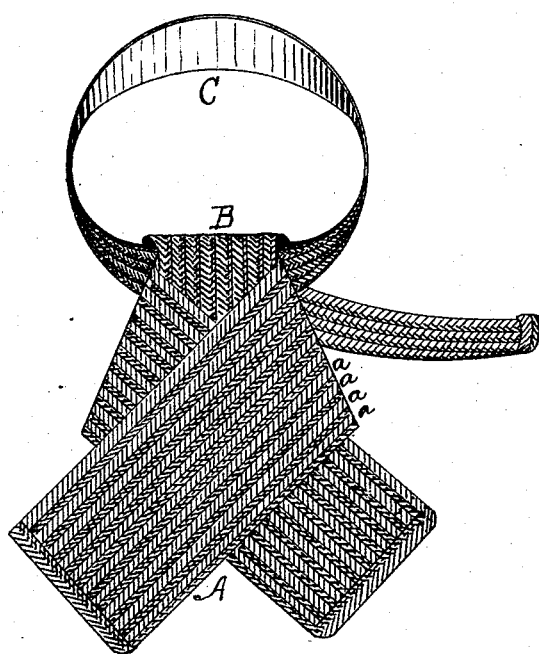


Fig. 1

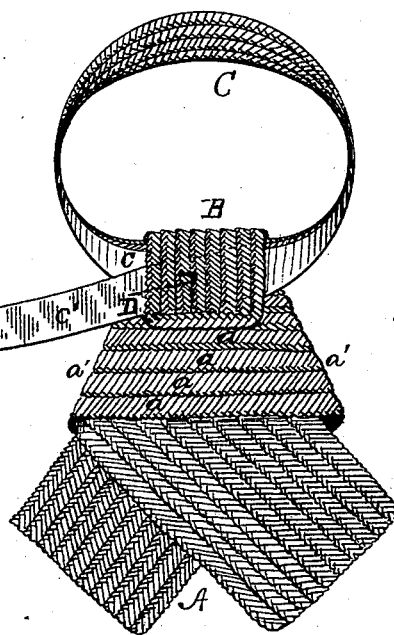


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS OUDESLUYS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the county of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neckties, Scarfs, and Analogous Articles; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 represents a front view, and Fig. 2 a rear view, of a scarf embodying my invention.

This invention relates to improvements in neckties, scarfs, &c.; and it consists in the device hereinafter set forth.

Neckties, scarfs, &c., have been made of various kinds of material—such as cloth, paper, &c.—each possessing its own peculiarities. My device is made of straw, which is the gist of my invention, and by the use of such material are obtained beneficial advantages not found in other materials.

In the annexed drawings is shown a full-breasted or "The Derby" scarf, in which my invention is displayed, though I do not restrict myself to this precise form, as straw can be made up in various ways for use as neckties, scarfs, &c.

The letter A represents a piece of straw material, made by securing several strips, *a*, of plaited straw together. At the middle of one edge a smaller piece, B, is turned over strip A and secured on both sides. This forms on the reverse side a pocket. In this pocket is

secured one end, *c*, of the neck-strap C, as shown in Fig. 2. This strap is made of straw, and is preferably lined with some textile fabric—silk, calico, &c.—which strengthens it. The strip A is then folded on the oblique lines *a' a'* and the two folded ends secured, as shown.

The scarf is provided with the usual pin, D, for holding the strap C.

This scarf is used like the ordinary scarf now in the market.

Neckties, scarfs, &c., made of straw are cool in summer, not only protecting the bosom of the shirt from dirt, as in traveling, but also allowing the heat from the body to pass off, which prevents perspiration from forming and injuring the shirt-front. Such neckties, scarfs, &c., can also be washed when soiled, and are also not liable to be frayed by contact with the vest or coat. In fact, they possess all the advantages of cloth or paper neck-wear and others of their own.

In plaiting the straw, it may be done closely, or it may be plaited loosely, so that it will be open-worked, the latter construction making the device cooler.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A necktie, scarf, or analogous article made of straw, as set forth.

2. A necktie, scarf, or analogous article made of straw, and having the neck-strap lined with a textile fabric, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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