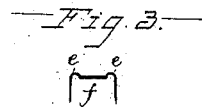
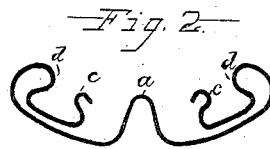
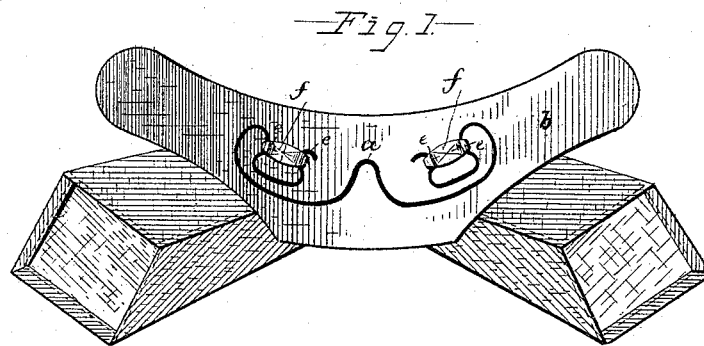


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD L. MORRIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Scarf or Necktie Fastener, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved fastener for scarfs or neckties, and is intended to take the place of the ordinary rubber elastic which is used to secure the scarf or tie to the collar-button.

My object is to produce a cheap, simple, and effective fastener; made of metal, preferably of spring-wire, and to provide a convenient mode of attaching the same to the "shield" which constitutes part of the tie or scarf. It consists of features as hereinafter set forth.

In the accompanying plate of drawings, Figure 1 represents a small tie to which one of my fasteners is attached. It will be seen that the fastener is so formed as to be equally adapted to the smallest and to the largest shields commonly in use. Fig. 2 shows a fastener detached from the tie, and Fig. 3 shows one of the staples used for securing the fastener to the tie.

In forming my fastener I make a loop, *a*, at the center, preferably widened at its lower portion, and intended to fit the shank of the collar-button when the tie is adjusted to be worn. I then bend the wire off on either side of the loop, say, an inch, or a trifle less, inclining it slightly upward in order to adapt it to shields which are of small dimensions—as, for instance, like the one shown. I then return the wire toward the central loop, curving it backward and forward to form upon either side of the loop two points of attachment, *c d*. The fastener may now be secured to the shield *b* by sewing it down at the points *c d*, or by other means which are adapted to confine it at these points separately; but for the sake of simplicity, as also for ornament, I construct a staple, as shown in Fig. 3, out of thin metal, which may be thrust through the shield and easily clinched upon the back side, covering both the points *c d* and holding them firmly to the shield. The staple is preferably

formed with niches or recesses, *e e*, which fit closely over the attaching-points *c d* of the fastener and prevent them from working toward each other when the wire is sprung. The central portion of the fastener—that is, the loop—is bent away from the shield a trifle, so as to easily admit the collar-button.

It will be seen that by using staples to confine the fastener, and particularly by having at each end of the fastener the two bent portions *c d* adapted to be secured rigidly to the shield, I avoid an objection to many of the fasteners heretofore invented, which is that they work loose in the shield from use, such fasteners having been secured to the shield by means of a single portion of the wire passed through the shield; likewise, an objection to other fasteners which have been secured by means of additional contrivances intervening between the fastener and the shield, or by other means more or less complicated or undesirable. I also secure a springiness of the fastener in all directions, up and down, toward and away from the shield. The wire, being thus firmly fastened, may, without injury, be bent considerably, so as to raise or lower the central loop when necessary to change the set of the necktie or scarf.

It will be seen that my fastener is exceedingly simple, durable, and practical of application.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A wire scarf or necktie fastener formed with two bent portions or attaching-points *c d* at each end thereof, in combination with means adapted to secure the said portions rigidly to the scarf or tie upon each side of a central loop, *a*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In combination with a wire scarf or necktie fastener having a central loop, *a*, a staple formed with niches or recesses *e e*, adapted to fit over two points, *c d*, of the fastener, substantially as shown and described.

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