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COLLAR BUTTON.

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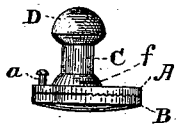
FIG. I.



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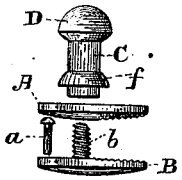

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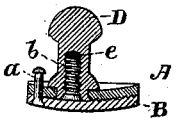

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN T. DAHLBERG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Beloit, in the county of Rock and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Collar-Button, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to neckband-fasteners and collar-buttons, as hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings, and specifically pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, wherein like letters of reference point out similar parts on each figure, Figure I represents the device with the clamping-plates closed, showing their position when clasping the neckband intermediately. Fig. II is a detail view showing the several members of the device dismembered. Fig. III is a sectional view of Fig. I.

In the drawings, A represents an upper and B a lower clasping-plate; C, a post for reception of the button-holes of a collar. Said post has an end knob, D, for an obvious purpose, and a lower flange, *f*, for a purpose presently set forth. Permanently attached to the rear end of the plate B, and uprising therefrom at right angles to the plane of said plate, is a stud-headed pin, *a*. Said pin passes through an orifice in the upper plate, A, whereby said plate is enabled to be lifted to and from its opposite plate, its upward movement being limited by the stud-head of the pin *a* and its downward movement limited by the plate B or the intermediate fabric grasped between said two clamping-plates. The opposite inner surfaces of the two plates are preferably serrated or roughened forwardly, whereby a firm grip is secured and any risk of slip is obviated.

Attached to the plate B, away from its center, is an uprising screw-threaded post, *b*, which takes into the screw-threaded axial bore of the post C. Near the lower end of the post C is a circumferential flange, *f*, whereby said post is always maintained of uniform length whatever may be the relative distance between the two plates.

From the foregoing description, in connection with the drawings, my invention and its practice will be fully understood. Its operation is as follows:

The several members having been connected, as hereinbefore set forth, the screw-threaded post C is turned until the plates A B are separated a suitable distance, the upward movement of the plate A being limited by the stud-head of the pin *a*. The separated forward lips of the opposite plates are next pressed over the neckband of the skirt, and then the said plates are by turning the post C brought toward each other, whereby the intermediate fabric is firmly grasped and an outwardly-extending post is presented, onto which the respective button-holes of the collar can be adjusted in the usual manner.

I have thus far described my invention as applied to the front part of the neckband of a shirt for utilization in such position in connection with the opposite ends of a collar provided with button-holes common to such articles of apparel when said collar is around the neck of the wearer and its ends are fastened forwardly, but do not desire to limit myself to such application. It is equally capable of being fastened rearwardly of the neckband of a shirt, and the plates A B can be utilized for grasping, in conjunction with the shirt-band, a portion of the band of a necktie; and this utilization I consider as a valuable application of my invention, for, as will be readily understood, the necktie will thus be prevented from turning around and becoming awry.

The band of the necktie encircling the neck surrounds a smooth surface and easily slips about both vertically and circumferentially; but there will be no risk of displacement if a small portion thereof is confined between the plates in the manner set forth.

I will observe, further, that in the adjustment of the device, as first described, forwardly in some form of neckties, a portion of the edge thereof may be embraced between the plates conjunctively with the skirt neckband. I have, for convenience sake, so that all familiar with the line of art to which my device is allied may fully understand its functions and operations, described it generally as an improved collar-button. It may, however, be appropriately designated as a "combined neckband-fastener, collar-button, and necktie-retainer" without departing from the scope of the invention.

Having now fully described my invention,

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

1. A combined neckband-fastener and collar-button consisting of two independent opposite grasping-plates adjustable to and from each other by means of an uprising screw-threaded post, *b*, firmly attached to the lower plate rearward of its center, and a collar-button post, C, having an axial screw-threaded bore meshing with the screw-post on the lower plate, substantially as described.

2. A combined neckband-fastener and collar-button consisting of opposite adjustable grasping-plates A B, screw-threaded post *b*, uprising from the lower plate and firmly attached thereto, collar-button post C, having upper head, D, and lower circumferential flange, *f*, and provided with screw-threaded axial bore of the same pitch as the post *b*, all in combination with stud-headed limiting-pin *a*, firmly attached to the plate B, substantially as described.

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