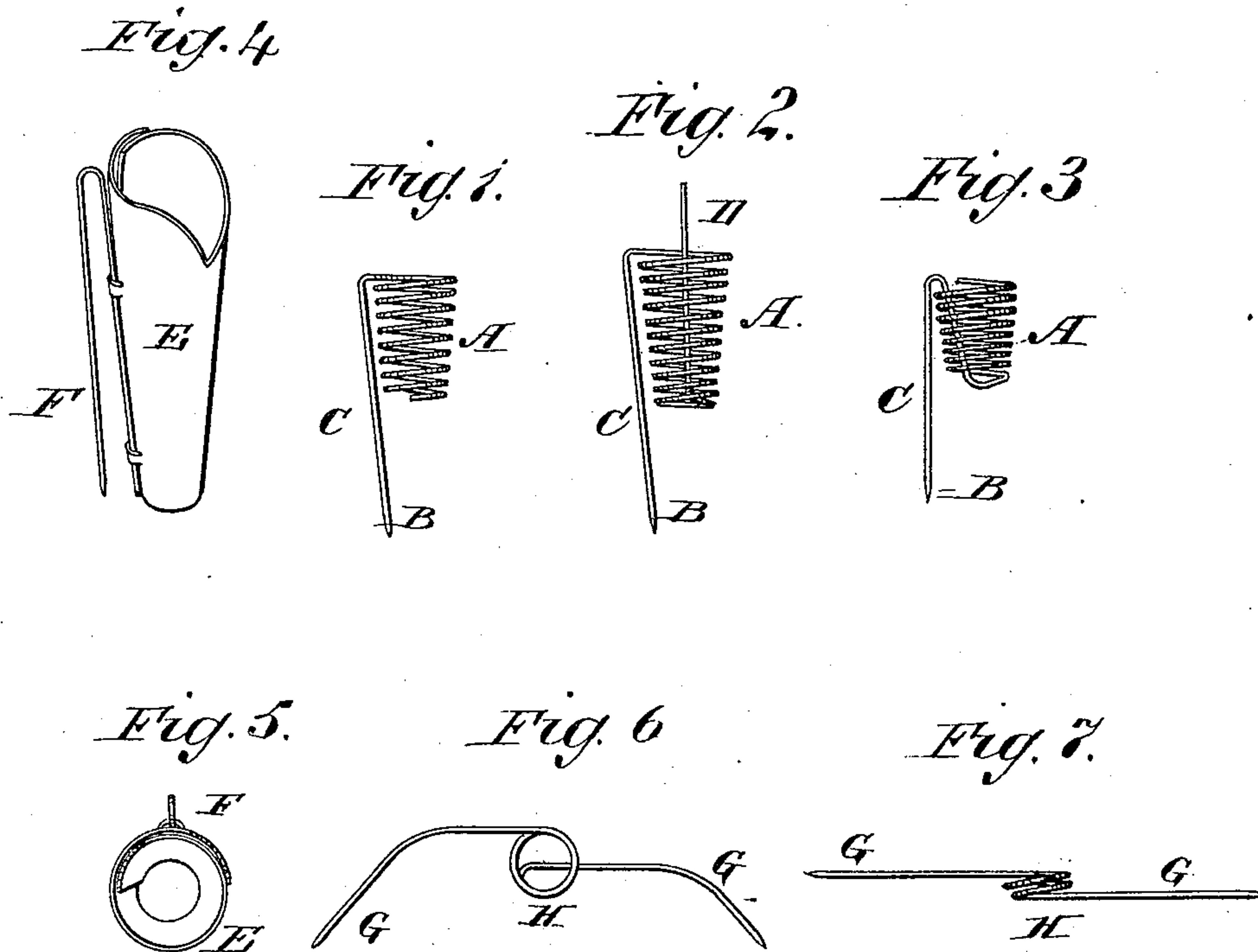


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BOUQUET-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS W. RYDER, of Terryville, in the county of Litchfield and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and Improved Bouquet-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved bouquet-holder which is simple in construction, can easily be attached to a coat or dress, and which holds the flowers securely without requiring them to be bound or held with a string before being inserted in the bouquet-holder.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1, 2, and 3 are side elevations of my improved bouquet-holder, showing the socket made of coiled wire. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a bouquet-holder, showing the socket made of coiled sheet metal. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 6 is a side elevation, and Fig. 7 a plan view, of a modification of my improved bouquet-holder.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A wire, A, one end, B, of which has a sharp point to form a pin, C, is coiled so as to form an inverted conical socket, as shown in Fig. 1; or the wire can be passed up through the conical socket, as shown in Fig. 2, so as to form a pin, D, which passes in between the stems of the flowers and assists in holding them. Finally, the wire may be first bent downward from the upper end of the pin C, and the spiral or coil would then be a rising one, whereas in the other two cases it is descending; but

the socket may also be formed of a piece, E, Figs. 4 and 5, of sheet metal or similar material, which is also to be coiled, and to which a pin, F, is attached.

The bouquet-holder may also be made of a central coil, H, with two springing pins, G G, one at each end of the coil, as shown in Figs. 6 and 7.

The bouquet-holder having a socket of coiled wire or metal plate is simply attached by passing the pin into the clothes or hair. The stems of the flowers can be passed into the sockets without being tied, for the spring of the coiled wire or coiled metal plate presses the stems together, and is sufficient to retain them in the holder; or the stems of the flowers may be passed through the coil H, upon which the pins G G are drawn together more or less, and passed through or into the cloth. As soon as the pins are released they will spread and press the coil H closely against the garment. This modification is especially adapted for holding a single flower.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

In bouquet-holders, the combination, with a conical socket of spiral wire, of a pin, C, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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