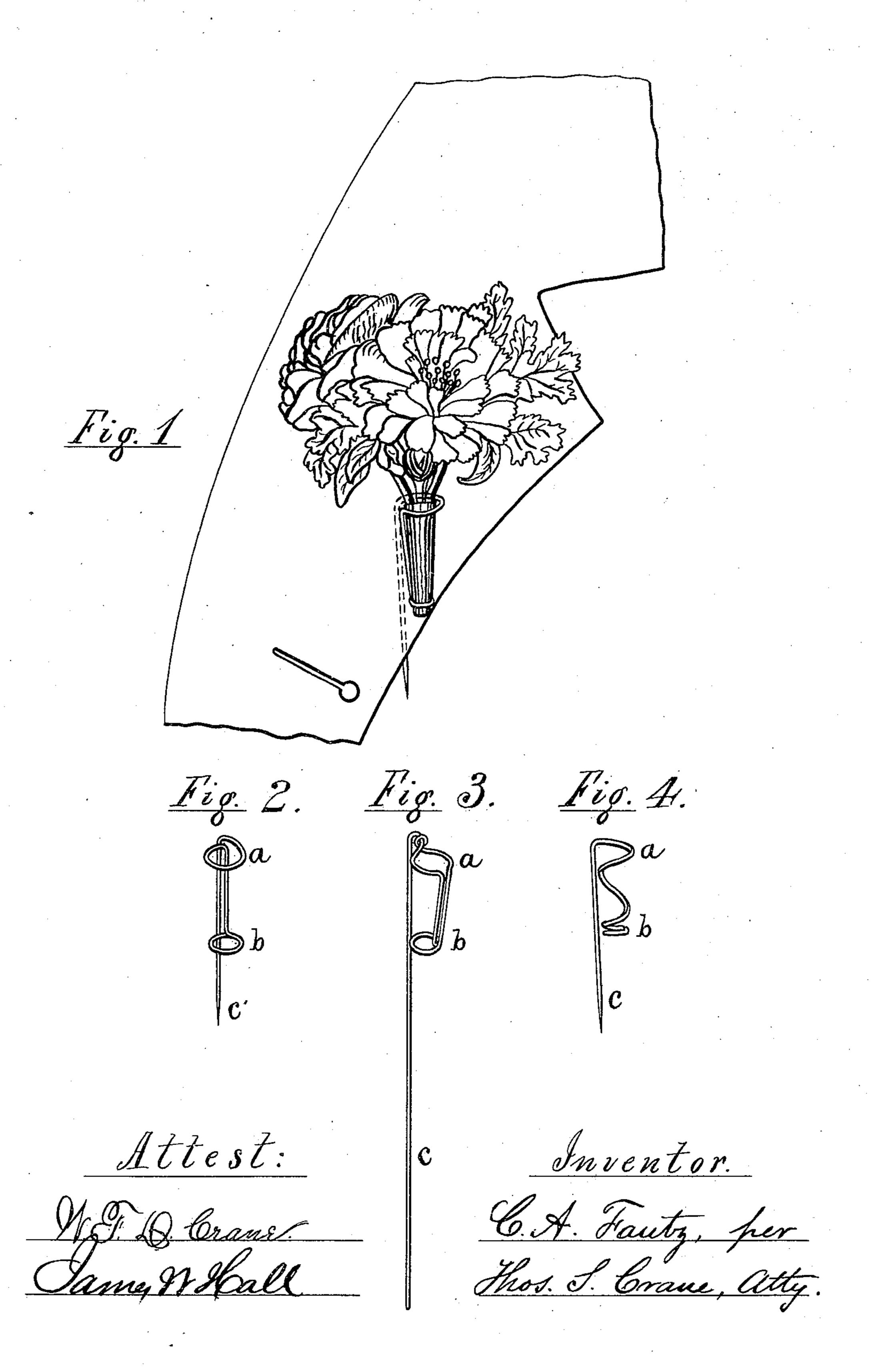
## C. A. FAUTZ. Flower Holder.

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## FLOWER-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. FAUTZ, of the city of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and 5 useful Improvement in Pin Flower-Holders, of

which the following is a description.

My invention relates to an improved construction of holder for securing natural or artificial flowers in the hair or dress of the wearer; 10 and it consists in forming a rigid tapering holder of two wire rings of different sizes, united as herein described, and provided with a pin for securing the holder in its desired position.

I am aware that an elastic socket made of wire has been patented for holding lead-pencils; but its adaptability to objects of different sizes is merely nominal, and its mode of attachment with a double pin or pin and eye requires 20 an extension of the socket which necessitates the use of very slender wire in its construction to permit it to be pulled out endwise to clasp the pin; and my device being intended to provide something more rigid and firm to hold 25 flowers in their required position, I have devised the tapering form for the holder as preferable to the slight adjustability afforded by any elastic construction.

The pin I employ being in general use for 30 such purposes, I only claim it in combination with the particular form of holder I have de-

vised.

In the drawings annexed, Figure 1 shows my holder supporting a bouquet upon the lapel 35 of a coat; Fig. 4, the two wire rings united by an open spiral. Fig. 2 shows the two rings united by a single wire running from one to the other; and Fig. 3, a mode of connecting the rings by leading a loop of wire from the first 40 ring to and through the second ring, and thence back to and around one side of the first.

In all the views the attaching or supporting pin is bent downward from the upper and larger ring toward or beyond the lower, the pin in Fig. 3 being shown very long, as is re- 45

quired for insertion in a head-dress.

The advantage of my construction lies in the fact that the stems of flowers are rough and uneven in shape, for which reason they are better jammed into a tapering than a cylindrical 50 holder, and being formed of two separated rings, the stems have room to expand a little between the two, and are thus held much more securely than they would be in a smooth metallic socket, or one unprovided with openings between the 55 upper and lower portions. The tapering form avoids the need of any elasticity in the operation of the holder, and thus enables me to make the holder of heavy or stiff wire, which holds the flowers upright upon the dress when de- 60 sired, or in any exact position that may be preferred upon the head. The open space between the rings also affords a means for applying a string to secure a small stem or small bunch to the wires uniting the top and bottom 65 rings.

Having thus described my invention, I claim

the same as follows:

The flower-holder constructed of two rings of different sizes united by wire in the manner 7° described, and provided with a pin, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereto set my hand this 6th day of September, 1880, in the presence of two witnesses.

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Witnesses: THOS. S. CRANE, C. T. ZIEGLER.