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Fig. 1.

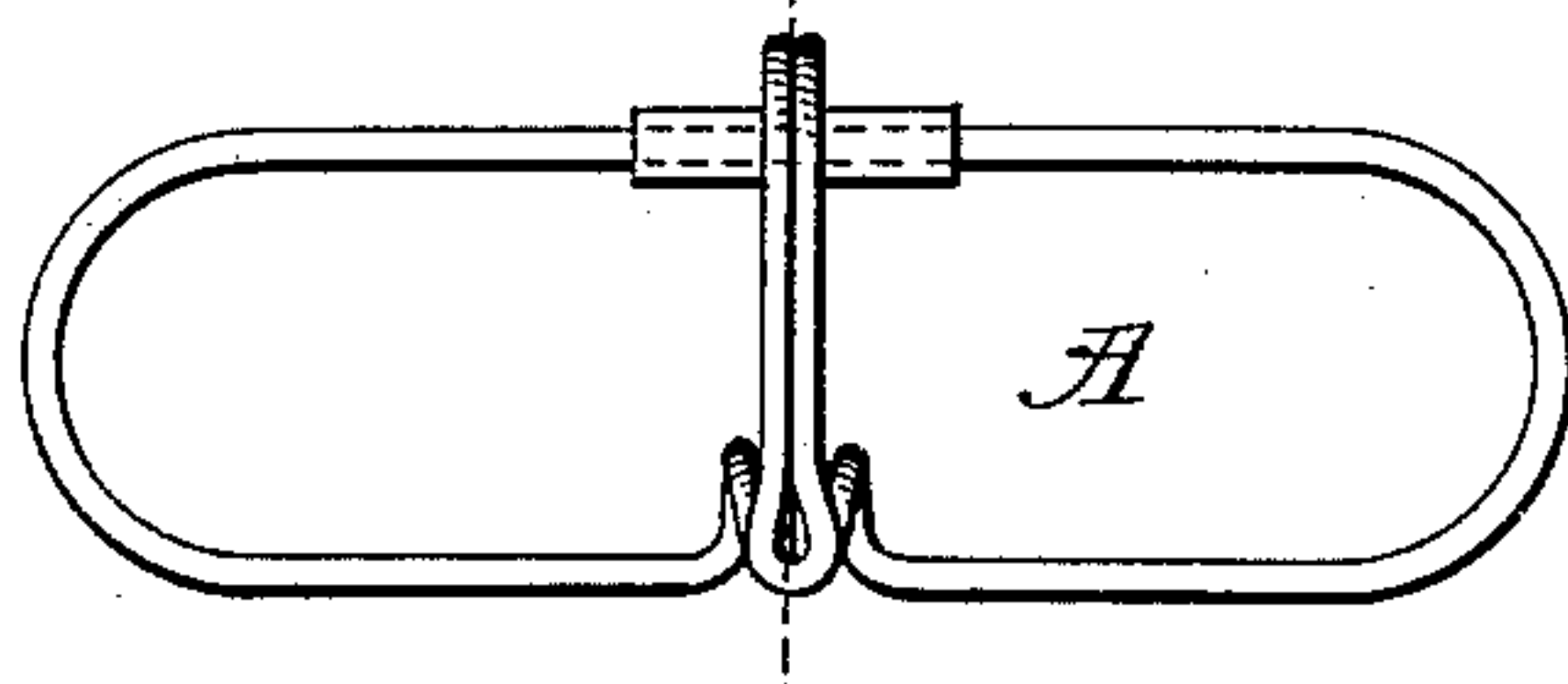


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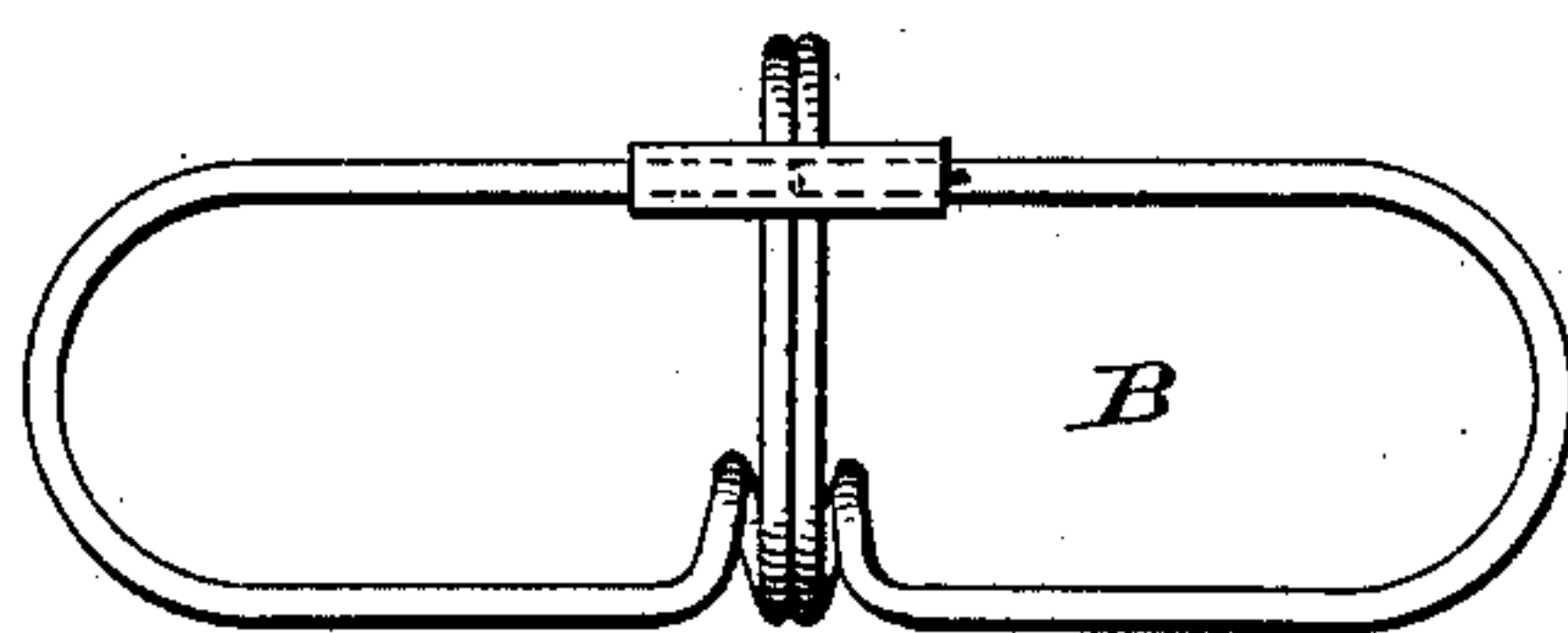
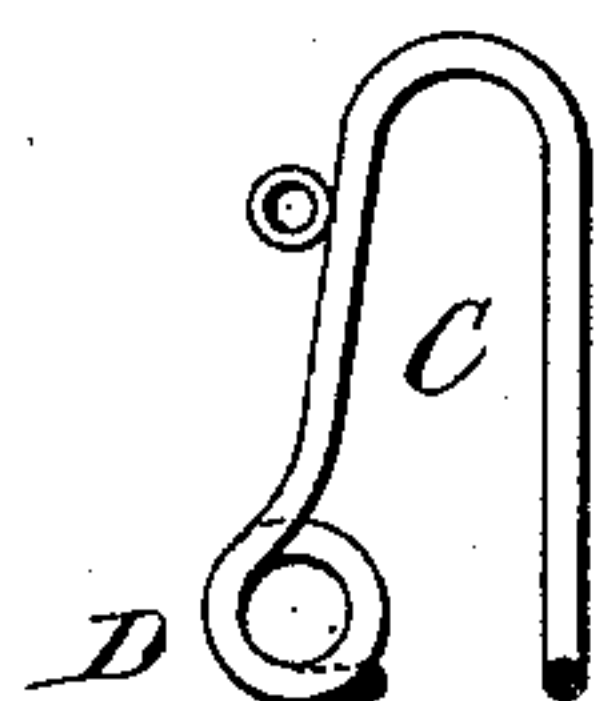


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, CHARLES M. PAUL and EDMOND T. DEELY, of the city of Sandusky, county of Erie, State of Ohio, have invented
5 a new and useful Improvement in Napkin-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of our invention is to provide a convenient and useful device for holding nap-
10 kins to be used or worn by children or adults while eating. From its simplicity of construction and ease of operation, the facility with which it can be adjusted will make it a very desirable instrument, either in families or in
15 hotels or eating-houses, for the protection of the clothing from being soiled while eating, by the spilling or dropping of food, whether fluids or solids.

This invention consists of an elongated or
20 elliptical link, spiral spring, and hook combined, constructed of metal wire properly tempered. By taking a piece of wire of the desired length and size, doubled at the center, so much thereof as may be required is formed
25 into a hook. At the base of the hook, at each side, a spiral spring is formed about three-eighths of an inch in diameter by bending the wire about one and a half turns. The remainder is bent out in opposite directions and formed
30 into an elongated link about one inch wide (when not elliptical) and three inches or more in length, turned up, with the ends coming together against the back of the hook, brazed, soldered, or welded together, or inclosed in a
35 close-fitting tube. One corner of the napkin is inserted between the hook and the elongated link, and a portion is drawn through the link. The remainder is turned down over the link,

and the hook is placed over the neckband of the shirt or dress, or collar, or is inserted in a button-hole, and the napkin is spread out and
40 adjusted at will to cover the clothing, and thereby protect them from being soiled by the accidental dropping or spilling of food while eating.

In the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters of reference indicate like parts, Fig-
45 ure 1 is a perspective view of the napkin-holder. Fig. 2 is a reverse view of the same, showing the elongated or elliptical link B. 50 Fig. 3 is a cross-section of the hook C and the spiral spring D attached.

In using the napkin-holder much time is saved in adjusting the napkin, and thereby is avoided the inconvenience usually experienced
55 in inserting the napkin between the band or collar and neck, and also the danger of soiling the band or collar, and the disagreeable feeling by having the napkin between the band and neck is avoided, and there is no danger of
60 the napkin getting out of place.

With this description of our invention, what we claim is—

The napkin-holder herein described, formed of a single piece of wire bent into a frame or
65 body portion having an upper and lower cross-bar, a spiral spring formed on the lower cross-bar, and a hook forming a continuation of the spring and extending upward, and bearing at its upper portion against the upper cross-bar, 70 substantially as described.

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