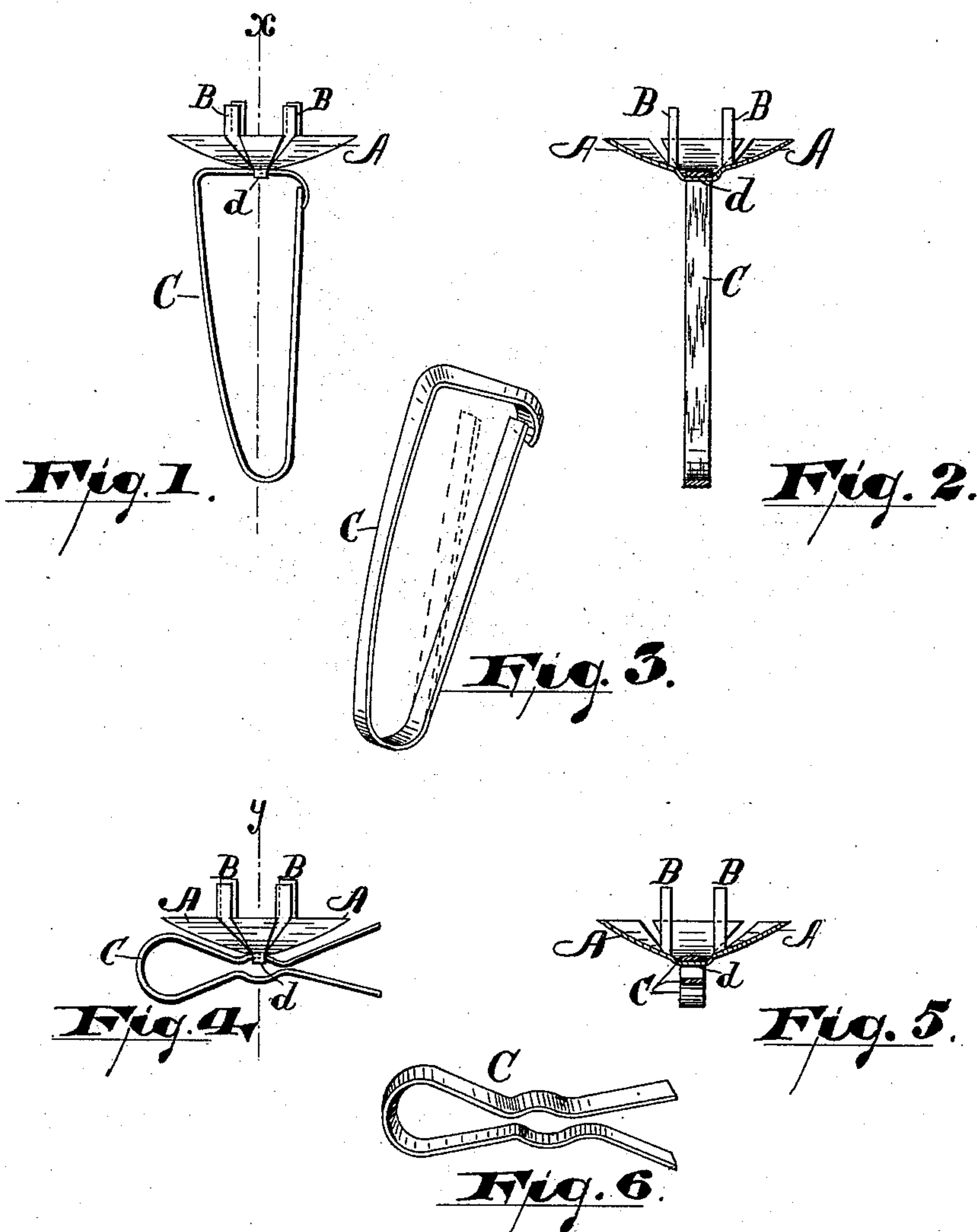


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTOPH REINHARDT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Candle-Holders for Christmas-Trees; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a comparatively inexpensive candle-holder for christmas-trees, capable of being easily and quickly attached to and removed from the branches of such trees by means of a spring-actuated clasp secured to said candle-holder.

The invention consists in the improved candle-holder and in the combination and arrangement of the parts thereof, as hereinafter set forth and described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1 and 2 represent a side elevation and a sectional view, respectively, of a candle-holder embodying my improvements. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the spring shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Figs. 4, 5, and 6 represent a modified form of my improvement, Fig. 5 being a section through line *y* of Fig. 4.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts wherever they occur.

Referring to said drawings, the letters A B indicate the candle-receptacle, which is made and formed of a thin piece of sheet-tin A, preferably circular in shape, from which three or four fingers B are bent upward to grasp and hold the candle. Said fingers are formed by cutting in the plate or disk A two slits—say about three-sixteenths or one-fourth

of an inch apart and extending from the periphery to within a short distance from the center of said plate or disk—and then bending the severed portions B upward, as will be readily understood upon reference to the drawings.

The spring-clasp C is clearly shown in the several figures of the drawings, and a detailed description thereof is deemed unnecessary. Said spring-clasp is attached to the candle-holder by means of a loop *d*, formed on the bottom side of the plate or disk A by making two incisions in the central portion of said plate about a quarter of an inch apart and bending the severed portion outward and passing the spring-clasp through the loop formed thereby, as will be understood upon reference to Figs. 1, 2, 4, and 5.

It will be observed that the parts A, B, and *d* are formed from the one piece of metal and are integral. The plate or disk I usually corrugate, which imparts a good finish and is easily and cheaply done, as it is cut and stamped into shape by means of suitable tools or dies.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and wish to have secured by Letters Patent, is—

A candle-holder for christmas-trees, combining therein a plate or disk having upwardly-extending fingers to receive and hold a candle, and a loop at the central portion thereof, and a spring-clasp attached to said plate or disk by means of said loop, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of September, 1889.

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