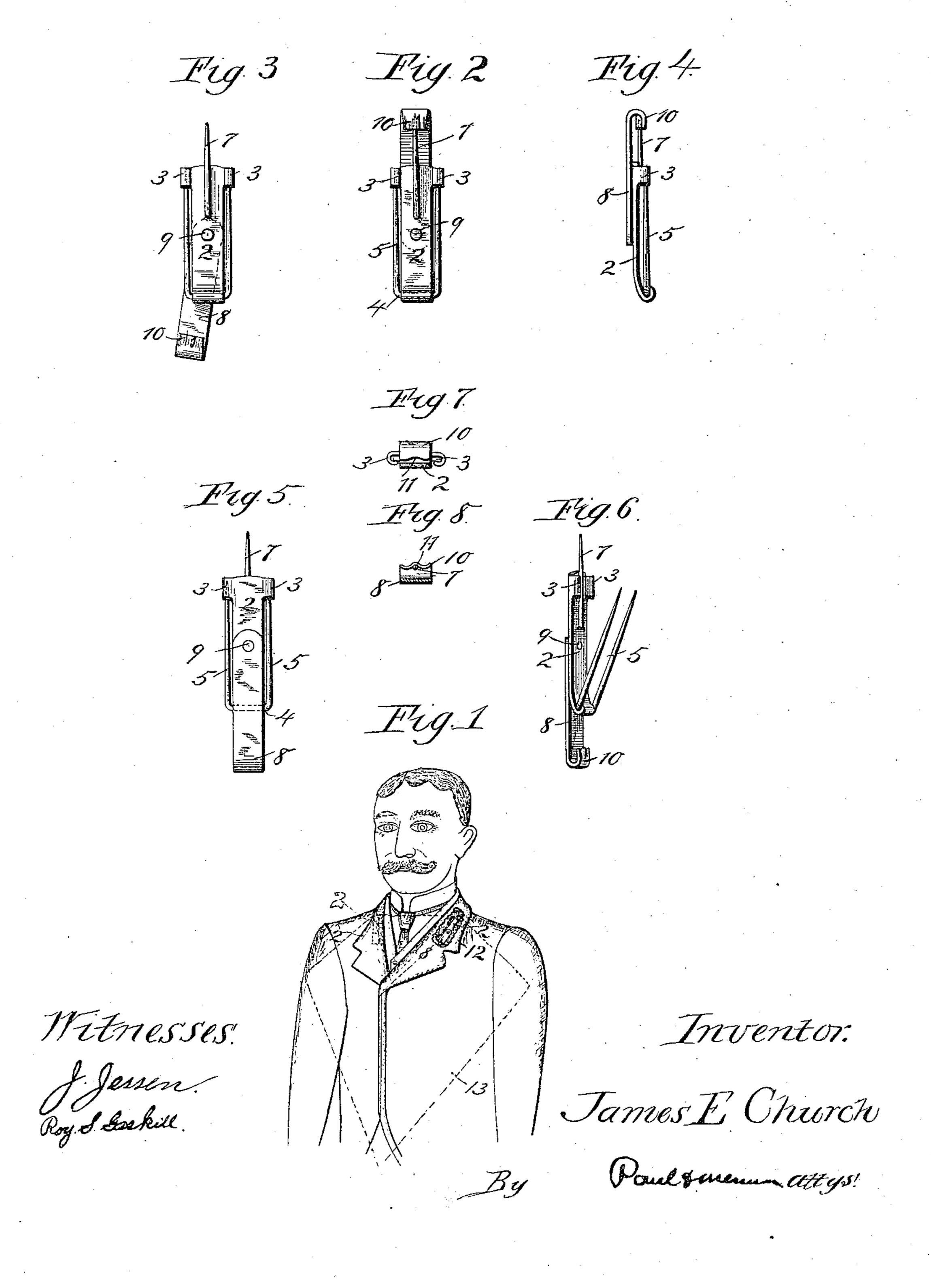
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, James E. Church, of Minneapolis, in the county of Hennepin and State of Minnesota, have invented certain Improvements in Napkin-Holders, of which

the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in devices to be attached to a coat or other garment to which a table-napkin can be detachably secured for the convenient use of the wearer; and it consists, generally, in the construction and combination hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a view showing the mode of attaching the holder to the garment and the napkin to the holder. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the holder, show-20 ing the guard covering the point of the napkin-hook. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the guard removed from the point of the napkin-hook and the holder adapted for use. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of the holder, show-25 ing the same closed. Fig. 5 is a front elevation showing the napkin-hook uncovered. Fig. 6 is a perspective showing the securingpins unclasped ready for attaching the holder to the garment. Fig. 7 is an end elevation 30 of the holder, and Fig. 8 is a cross-section of the same on line x x of Fig. 2.

In the drawings, 2 represents the body of the hook, formed, preferably, of sheet metal and provided with the curved ears or catches 35 3 at its upper end. Its lower end is turned upon itself to clasp the cross-bar 4 of the double-pointed securing-pin 5, in which the pin turns as a hinge, the parts being so arranged that the points of the pin 5 spring into 40 and are held by the ears 3 in the ordinary manner of clasp or safety pins. Rigidly secured to the body 2 and extending up, preferably on its rear face, and projecting slightly above the top of the body 2 is the napkin hook or pin 7, preferably a straight-pointed pin. Pivoted at about the center of the body 2 upon its front face is the guard 8, formed, preferably, of sheet metal, with its outer or free end bent inward upon itself at such dis-50 tance from the pivot 9, that when turned up to a vertical position it will inclose and guard I

the point of the pin 7. The lip or guard 10 has its edges preferably turned upward slightly and is provided with an inner central longitudinal groove 11, in which the point of 55 the pin 7 lies with a slight spring-pressure, so that it is held in place.

The holder is preferably secured upon the garment underneath the lapel of the garment, as shown in Fig 1, by means of the securing- 60 pin 5 in such position as to be ordinarily concealed from view, the point 7 being covered

by the guard 8.

In use the holder is secured to the garment, as described, with the point 7 upward and 65 covered by the guard 8, the whole being covered by the lapel 12 of the garment, excepting when it is desired to attach a napkin to it. To do this the lapel is turned upward to give access to the holder, the guard turned off the 70 point 7, and the napkin 13 then caught upon the point 7 of each holder, as shown in Fig. 1, the napkin hanging by the points, so as to cover the bosom of the wearer in convenient position for use. When the napkin is de- 75 tached from the holder, the guards are returned to cover the points 7, the lapels of the coat falling over the holder, so as to cover them, as before.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a napkin-holder, the combination, with the body 2 and pin 5, of the projecting pin 7, secured upon the body 2, and the movable guard, also secured upon the body 2 and adapted to be moved over so as to cover the 85 projecting end of the pin 7 or to be moved away from said pin, so as to permit the projecting end to be exposed, substantially as described.

2. The combination of the body 2, the 90 double pin 5, pivoted thereto, catches 3, adapted to engage the points of the pin 5, the points 7, rigidly secured to the body 2, and a pivoted guard 8, adapted to cover and protect the point 7, substantially as and for the purpose 95 set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of October, 1889.

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