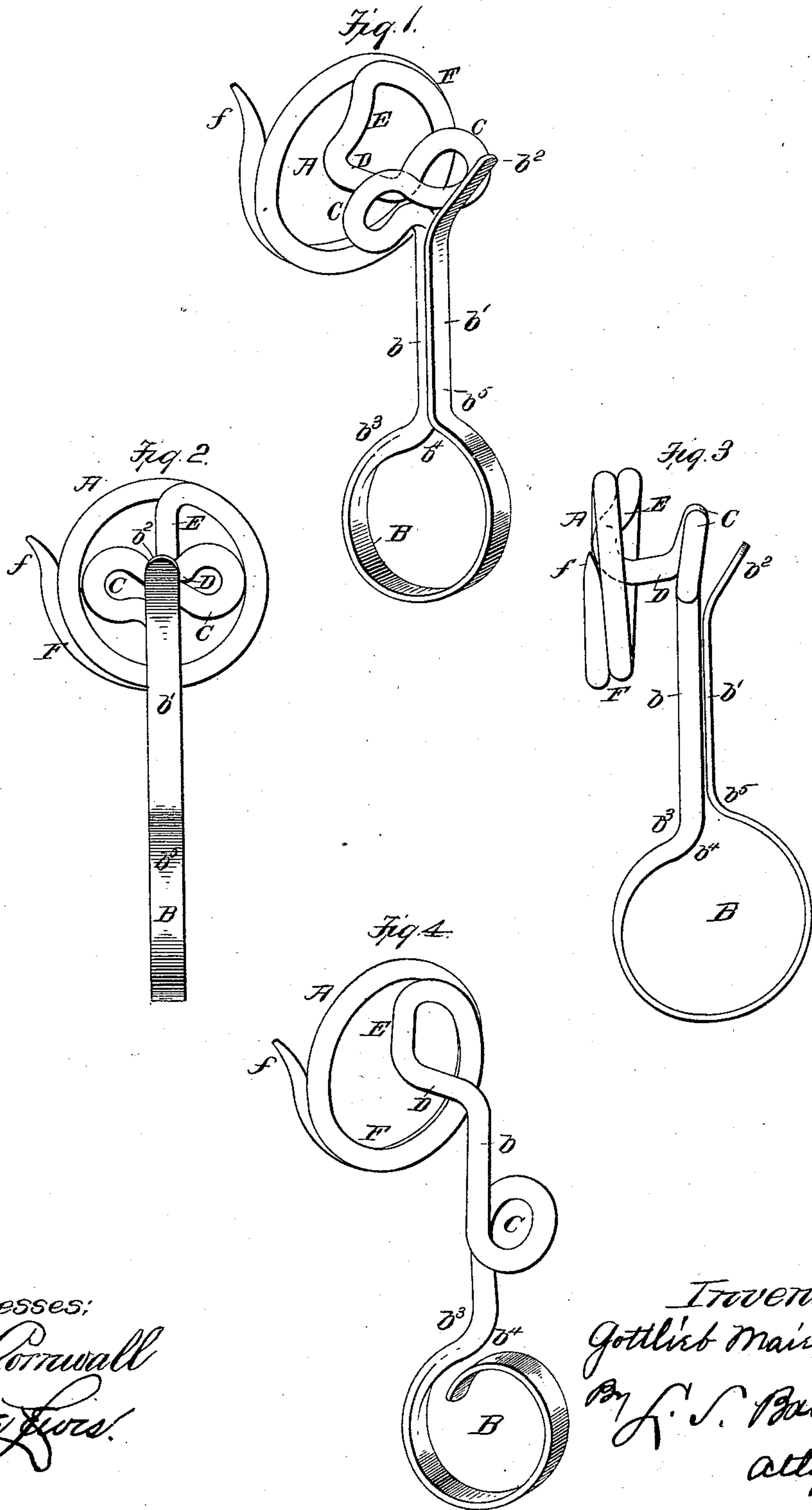


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## EYEGLOSS-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GOTTLIEB MAIER, Jr., 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 Eyeglass-Holders; 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.

This invention relates to an improvement in eyeglass-holders; and it consists in the construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, and definitely pointed out in the claims.

The object and purpose of this invention are the provision of an improved form of eyeglass-holder adapted to be attached to wearing-apparel in a manner to prevent its accidental detachment and at the same time rendering its application extremely simple and easy.

A further object of the invention is to so construct the supporting-hook that the glasses will not become detached therefrom by the movement or attitude of the wearer.

These objects are attained by the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein like letters of reference indicate like parts in the several views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a holder. Fig. 2 is a front elevation. Fig. 3 is a side elevation, and Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a modified form.

In the drawings, A represents the supporting-hook, having a circular ring B at its lower end and two parallel contacting portions  $b b'$ , the former constituting the shank and the latter the tongue, which is formed with an outwardly and upwardly extending lip  $b^2$  on its outer end, forming a guide for the connecting-spring of the eyeglass-frame as the same is forced down between the tongue and shank.

In constructing the ring of the hook the material is bent back, forming a shoulder  $b^4$ , while the outer portion is bent outwardly and at the union of the tongue is bent at an angle to form a shoulder  $b^5$  at a point slightly above the shoulder  $b^4$ , as shown, thus allowing a

ready access of the spring between the shank and tongue when the glasses are to be removed. The upper end of the shank is bent into two loops C, to which the eyeglass string or chain is attached. The material constituting the supporting-hook is carried inward from the loops at right angles to form the support D for the holder, and its inner end is then bent up at right angles, as at E, and terminates in a spiral fastening F, which is formed into a series of one or more coils arranged parallel, the extreme outer end being bent out and sharpened or pointed, as at  $f$ . The portion E is bent slightly outward, so that its upper end will be in advance of the plane of the inner portion of the lower end, and as the coils commence at the upper end of this part the lower portion of the first coil will be in advance of the lower part of the part E, so that it requires the aid of a pointed instrument to force the fabric to which the holder is attached back to allow of the part E being withdrawn.

In Fig. 4 a modified form is shown, wherein the cord-loop C is shown at the side or midway the length of the shank and the ring is carried back with its free end directly below the shoulder  $b^4$  and is there bent slightly downward.

In applying this holder the point of the spiral fastener is first inserted in the fabric. The holder is then turned until the entire spiral has passed through the material and the support D occupies the aperture, in which position the holder is prevented from moving in or out, but is allowed a swinging or pivotal movement, so that as the wearer reclines on his side the position of the holder will be vertical, which overcomes the tendency of the glasses to force their way out between the tongue and shank as the wearer moves his body.

I am aware that many minor changes in the construction and arrangement of the parts of my device can be made and substituted for those herein shown and described without in the least departing from the nature and principle of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, what



I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. An eyeglass-holder consisting of a metal shank having a right-angled extension on its upper end, forming a support, a spiral fastener at the outer end of the extension, having an outwardly-extending penetrating point, an eye on the shank, and a hook formed on the lower end of the shank, substantially as described.

2. An eyeglass-holder consisting of a sup-

porting-hook, the shank of which is formed with a horizontal extension constituting a support, and a spiral fastener at right angles to said support, substantially as described. 15

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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