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Fig. 1.

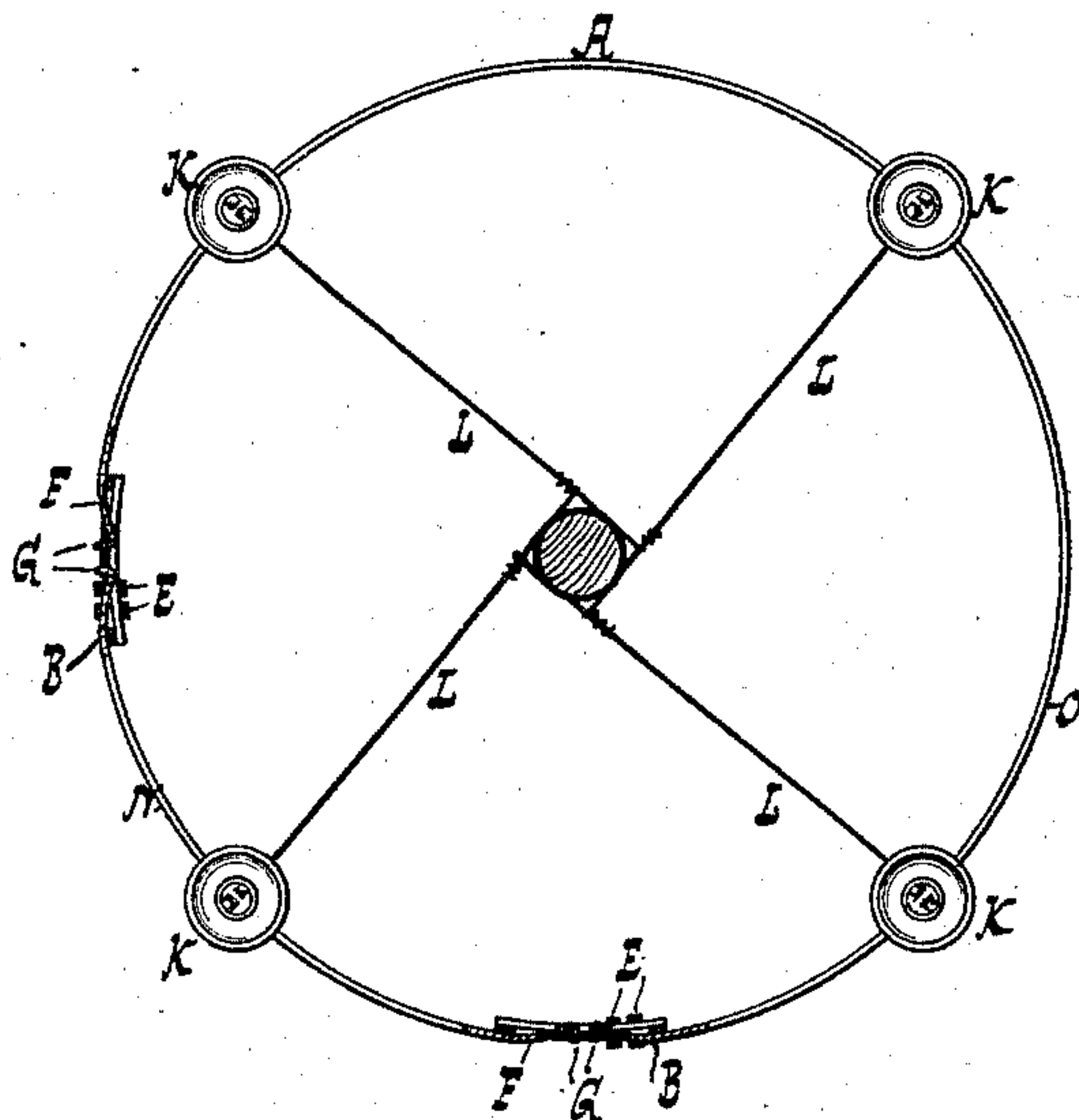


Fig. 2.

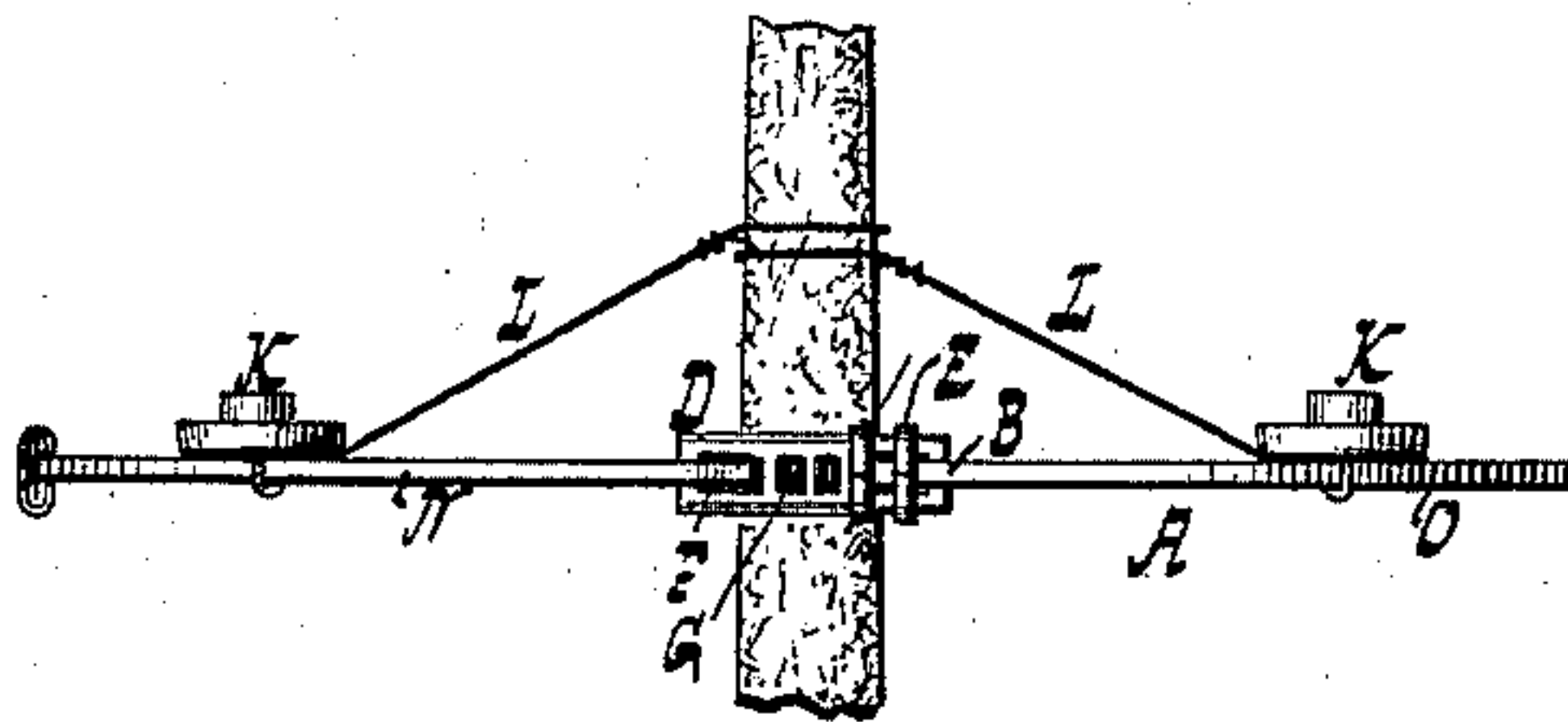


Fig. 3.

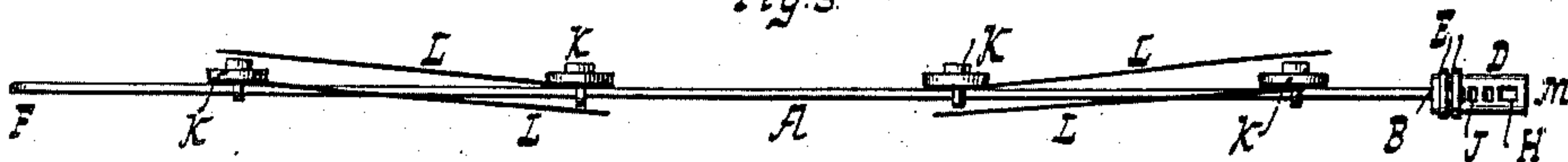
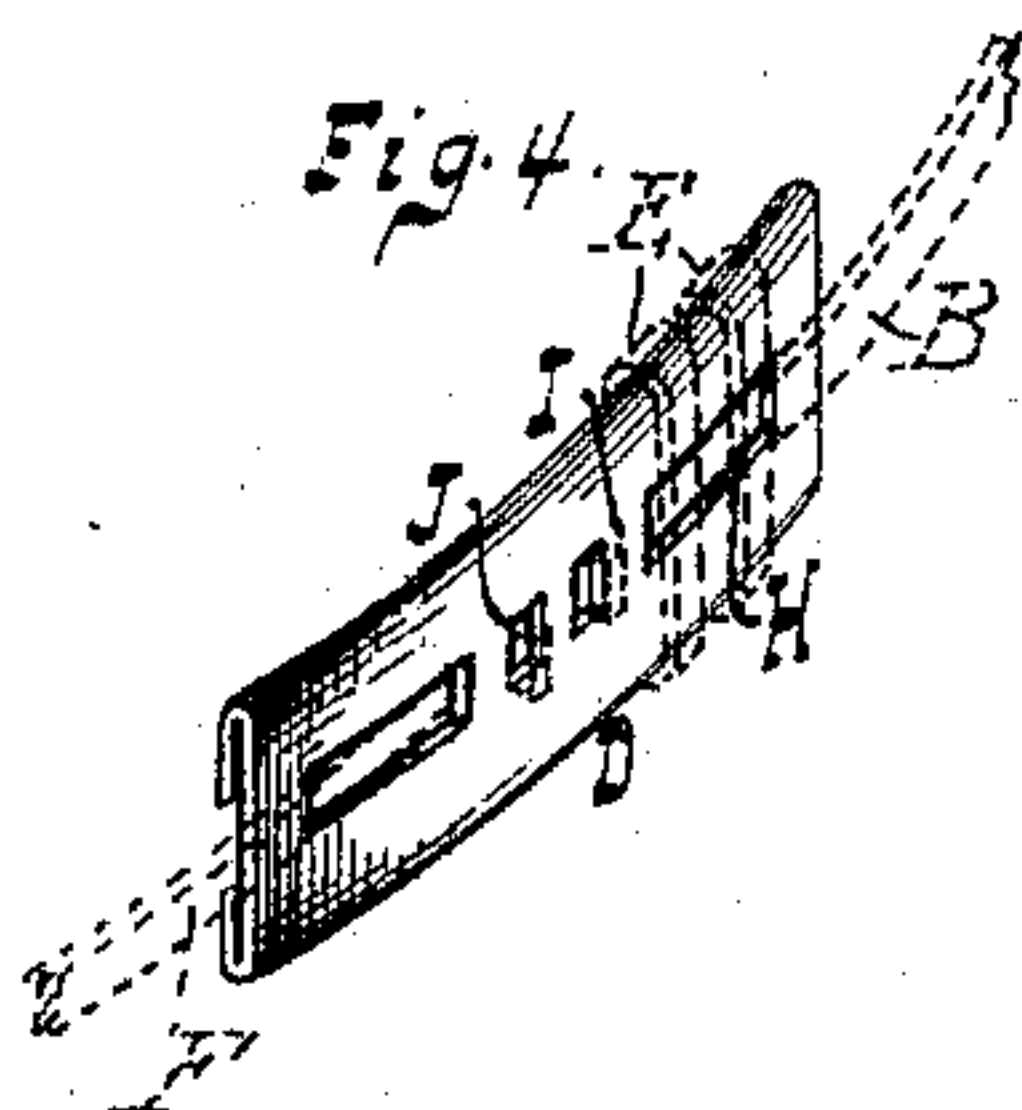


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES F. YOUNG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Manhasset, in the county of Queens and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Candle-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to candle-holders for Christmas-trees; and it consists in certain improvements, which are hereinafter described, and specified in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of the improved device. Fig. 2 is a side view. Fig. 3 is a top view, on a reduced scale, of the band when its ends are disengaged from each other. Fig. 4 is a perspective view, on an enlarged scale, of the locking device or catch by which the ends of the bands are connected when the band is bent to the form of a ring.

In carrying out my invention I take an elastic band A and fasten one end B thereof permanently into the adjacent end of the catch-plate D. This fastening can be conveniently made by sliding the end B of the band into the open end of the catch-plate and then pressing and flattening the rings E upon that end of the catch-plate, so as to clamp the end B of the band fast to the catch. The other end F of the band A, which is provided on its outside with a hook G, is brought around to the other end of the catch and is pushed from the outside of the catch-plate into the elongated opening H until its hook G passes behind the bar I and comes opposite one of the openings J J, when the strain on the band will cause the hook to enter such opening and interlock therewith. This construction and the interlocking of the hook G with such opening are shown in Figs. 1 and 2. When the band A is connected by its ends to the catch-plate, as above described, it takes the form of a ring, as is represented in Figs. 1 and 2, the natural elasticity of the band tending to keep its hooked end F G in constant engagement with the catch-plate until purposely released therefrom. The band is set edgewise and is provided at proper points with sockets K to hold candles for Christmas-trees or other purposes. The sockets are provided on their under sides with clasps or other convenient fastening devices, which are

bent around the band, so as to fasten the sockets thereto. The device is shown in this example with four candle-sockets, from each of which proceeds a wire or cord L, which is fastened to a Christmas-tree or, if preferred, to branches thereof, substantially in the position shown in the drawings. It will be observed that the candle-sockets are in horizontal positions. The band A is in a vertical position with relation to the candle-sockets, as is also the catch-plate D. By employing a flat band which has the requisite elasticity I am enabled to bend the band so as to bring its free end F around to the free end M of the catch-plate, with which it becomes interlocked, as above explained. When it is desired to take the apparatus off from the tree to lay it away for another season or to pack and transport the same, it is only necessary to disengage the hooked end F G from the catch and extend it, as shown in Fig. 3, when it can be packed and transported with slight expense and in small compass. In taking it down for that purpose the cords or wires L are unfastened and laid along the band.

My invention enables me to make the vertical band A of several sections or parts and to unite them to each other by means of the catches and interlocking devices above described. An example of this modification is shown in Fig. 1, where the band is composed of two sections N O, whose ends are detachably connected to each other in the same manner as is explained in reference to Fig. 3. This modification enables me to divide the elastic band into several sections for packing or transportation, whereby the packages can be greatly reduced in length.

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

1. A candle-holder for Christmas-trees, consisting of an elastic band and provided with a series of candle-holding sockets fixed thereto, and a catch-plate secured to one end of the band and having a slot H and a cross-bar I to receive and detachably engage the opposite end of the band, substantially as described.

2. A candle-holder for Christmas-trees, consisting of an elastic flat band having hooked extremities G and its sides arranged vertically and provided with a series of candle-holding sockets fixed thereupon, and a catch-

plate D in hooked engagement with one extremity of the band and provided with a slot H and cross-bar I to receive and detachably engage the opposite hooked extremity of the
5 band, substantially as described.

3. A candle-holder for Christmas-trees, consisting of an elastic band having its sides arranged vertically and provided with candle-holding sockets rigidly attached thereto, and
10 a catch-plate having slots and cross-bars engaging the extremities of the band, substantially as described.

4. A candle-holder for Christmas-trees, consisting of an elastic flat band having hooked
15 extremities and its sides arranged vertically and provided with a series of candle-holding

sockets rigidly secured thereto, a catch-plate having slots and cross-bars receiving and engaging the hooked extremities of the band, one of such extremities being detachable from
20 the catch-plate, and a ring E, surrounding the catch-plate for permanently securing one extremity of the band in engagement with the catch-plate, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
25 my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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