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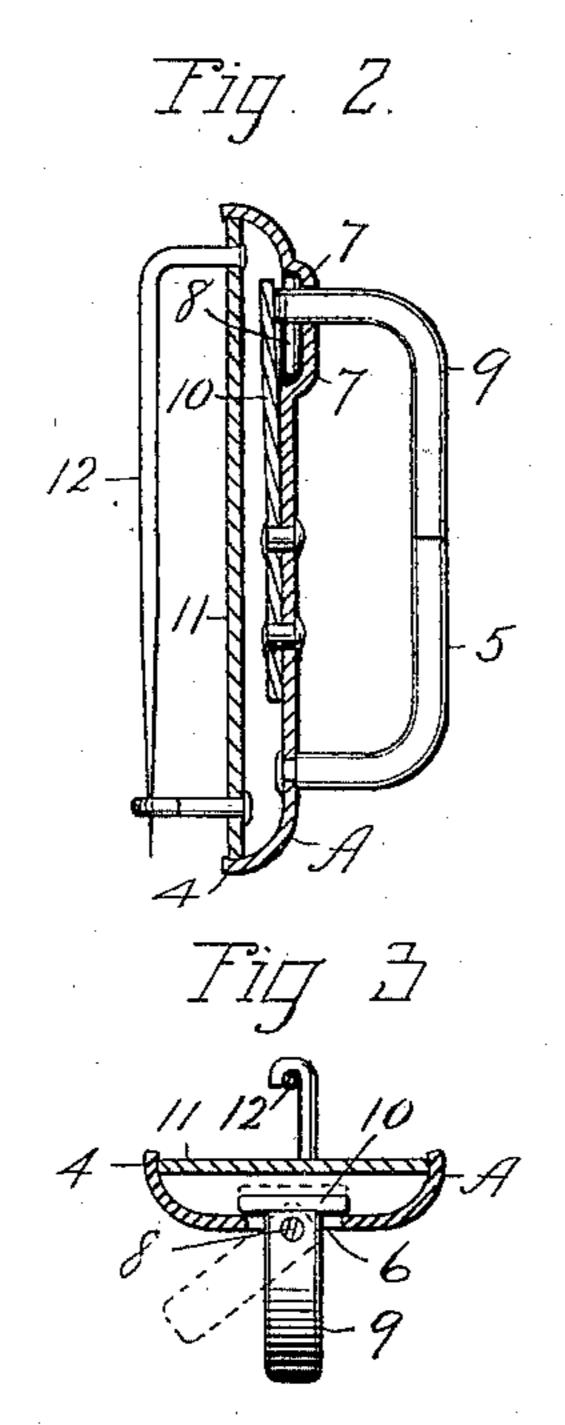
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Fig 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES ROE, a citizen of the United States, residing in Bristol, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Eyeglass-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in eyeglass-holders; and the objects of my improvement are simplicity and economy in construction and convenience and efficiency in use.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my eyeglass-holder. Fig. 2 is a central vertical section of the same, partly in elevation; and Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line x x of Fig. 1.

A designates the base-plate, with flanged edges 4 to give the said plate a hollow back. 20 Toward the lower end of the base-plate I rigidly secure in any proper manner an upwardly-turned hook or half-eye 5. Toward the upper end of the base-plate there is an opening 6, above and below which are the sock-25 ets 7 for the reception of the trunnions or pin 8 of the upper hook or half-eye 9, the said socket being preferably open on the back side, so that they can be struck up from the body of the base-plate, as shown. The inner end 30 or heel of the upper hook 9 has an angular face, and the said hook is held in position by a spring 10 within the hollow back of the base-plate, which spring can be secured by rivets.

for securing the article to the clothes of the user, and for that purpose I prefer to secure a back plate 11 within the flanges of the base-plate to cover the hollow back, as shown, and to provide the said back plate with a safety-pin 12 or equivalent fastening device.

The spring will normally hold the upper hook 9 in its central position, with its lower end adjacent to and registering with the upper end of the lower hook 5, the two hooks forming one continuous eye or staple, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. A lateral pressure

in either direction on the said upper hook will turn it to one side sufficiently to enable an eyeglass to be hooked thereon, and upon 50 releasing said pressure the spring will restore the said upper hook to its normal position for holding the eyeglasses on the holder. If desired, however, the said upper hook may be turned sidewise farther than is necessary to 55 slip the eyeglasses thereon, and when so turned to about the point indicated by broken lines in Fig. 3 the spring will act to hold it to one side in this open position until the said upper hook is pressed upon to return it to its 60 central position.

It is apparent that some changes from the specific construction herein disclosed may be made, and therefore I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise 65 form of construction shown and described, but desire the liberty to make such changes in working my invention as may fairly come within the spirit and scope of the same.

I claim as my invention—

1. In an eyeglass-holder, the combination of the base-plate with an upwardly-turned lower hook 5 fixed thereon, a similar downwardly-turned upper hook 9 pivoted to said base-plate on an axis that is parallel to the 75 downwardly-extended portion of said hook 9 for swinging the same laterally, and a spring acting upon the heel of said upper hook to normally hold it in position, substantially as described.

2. The combination in an eyeglass-holder of the hollow base-plate A, the fixed and swinging hooks 5 and 9 extending from the front of the said base-plate, the spring 10 within the said hollow base-plate and bear-85 ing upon the heel of the swinging hook 9, and the separately-formed back 11 secured to the said hollow base-plate and covering the spring therein, substantially as described.

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