

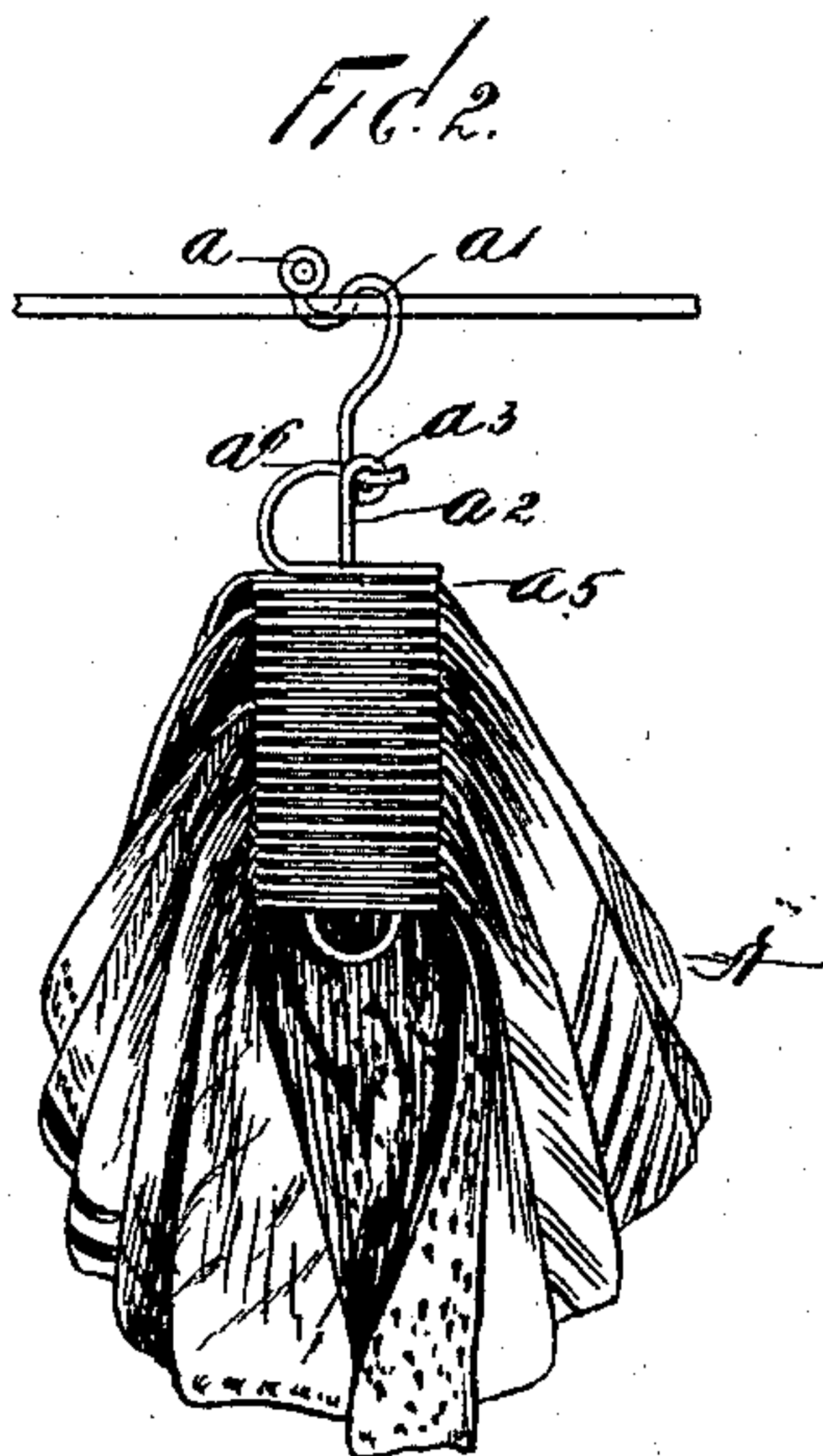
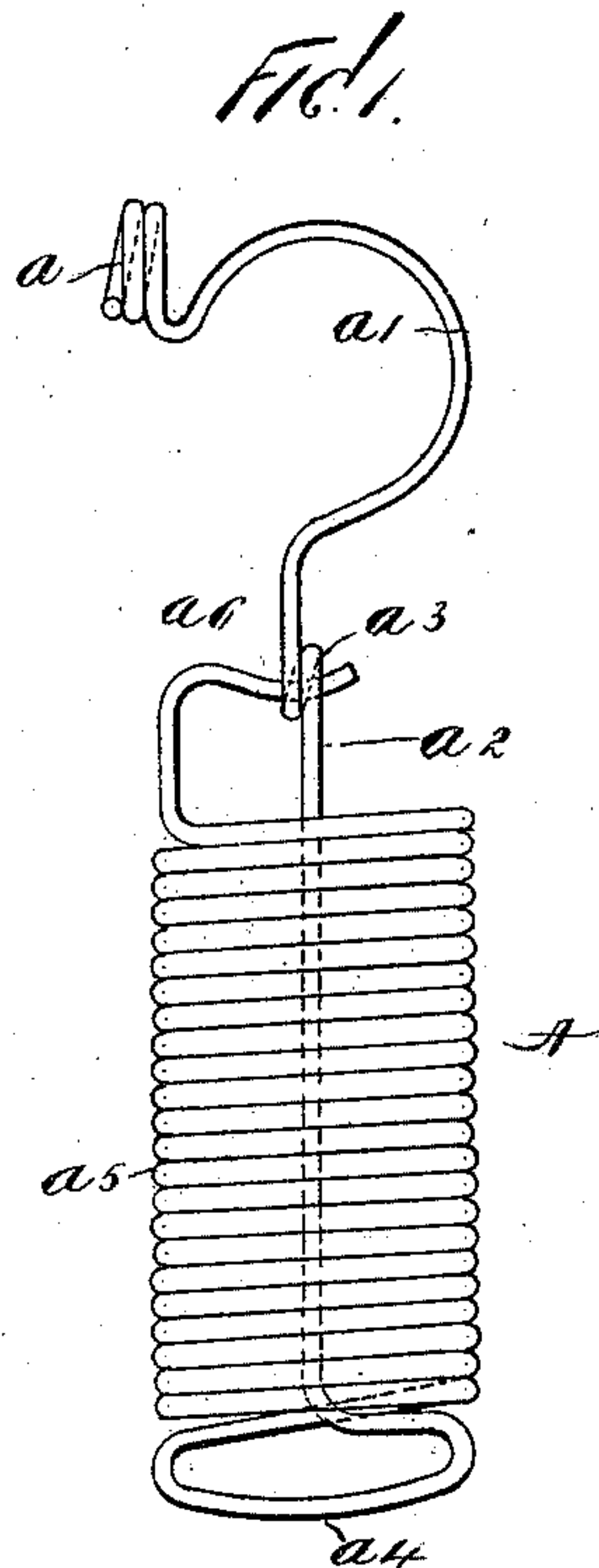
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## HANDKERCHIEF-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRITZ WALFRED BOSTROM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lincoln, in the county of Lancaster and State of Nebraska, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Handkerchief-Holders, of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to holders for handkerchiefs or other similar articles which are exposed for sale, whereby a considerable number of handkerchiefs can be held in a compact manner, while permitting the convenient handling and inspection of the same.

The invention consists of a holder for handkerchiefs or like articles constructed substantially as hereinafter described, and defined in the claims.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by the same letters of reference in each of the views, and in which—

Figure 1 represents a side view of my improved holder, and Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the manner in which the holder is used.

In the drawings, A represents my improved holder, which is constructed, preferably, of a single strand of wire and may be made of brass, nickel, silver, or other suitable material. The wire strand is coiled one or more times at its extremity, forming an eye  $a$ , by which it may be attached to a suitable supporting-hook. From the eye  $a$  the wire is curved or bent to form a loop  $a'$ , which affords an additional supporting means whereby the holder may be suspended from a wire, rope, or similar support, the wire from the loop forming a vertical portion  $a^2$ , in the upper portion of which is formed a fastening-eye  $a^3$ . At the lower end of the vertical portion  $a^2$  the wire is bent transversely from side to side, forming a support  $a^4$ . From this transverse support the wire is led upwardly and formed into a helical coil  $a^5$ , the convolutions of which lie closely together, but which are capable of being separated

slightly to receive and retain the edge of the handkerchief. The helical coil or body portion  $a^5$  may comprise any desired number of convolutions; but ordinarily the number thereof will be such as will readily accommodate a dozen handkerchiefs. The end  $a^6$  of the wire is bent at an angle and passed through the fastening-eye  $a^3$ , whereby the convolutions of the body portion  $a^5$  are prevented from separating too far.

My improvement forms a very convenient device for use in stores in that handkerchiefs of various qualities and cost may be easily handled and inspected without the liability of confusion or mistake. The handkerchiefs are easily inserted between the convolutions of the holder and readily removed.

Having fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A holder for handkerchiefs and like articles, constructed of an integral strand of wire, a suitable hanger at the upper end, a support at the lower portion and a vertical connecting portion between said hanger and the support, a helically-wound body portion and a fastening device above said body portion, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A holder for handkerchiefs and like articles, comprising a suitable hanger at the upper end thereof, a support at the lower portion, a connection between the hanger and support provided with an eye, a body portion consisting of a plurality of superimposed convolutions, surrounding said connection and a fastening device engaging said eye, the whole being formed of one integral strand of wire bent to form the parts above specified, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. A holder for handkerchiefs and like articles formed of a single piece of wire, and comprising a suitable hanger, a transverse bent portion, a connection between the latter and said hanger, a body portion formed of a plurality of coils surrounding said connection and terminating in a fastening device adapted to engage said connection above said body portion, substantially as shown and described.

4. A holder for handkerchiefs and like ar-



ties, formed of a single piece of wire and comprising a suitable hanger, a transversely-bent portion, a connection between the latter and said hanger, and a body portion composed of a plurality of coils superimposed upon said support, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 27th day of January, 1898.

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