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FIG. 1



FIG. 2.

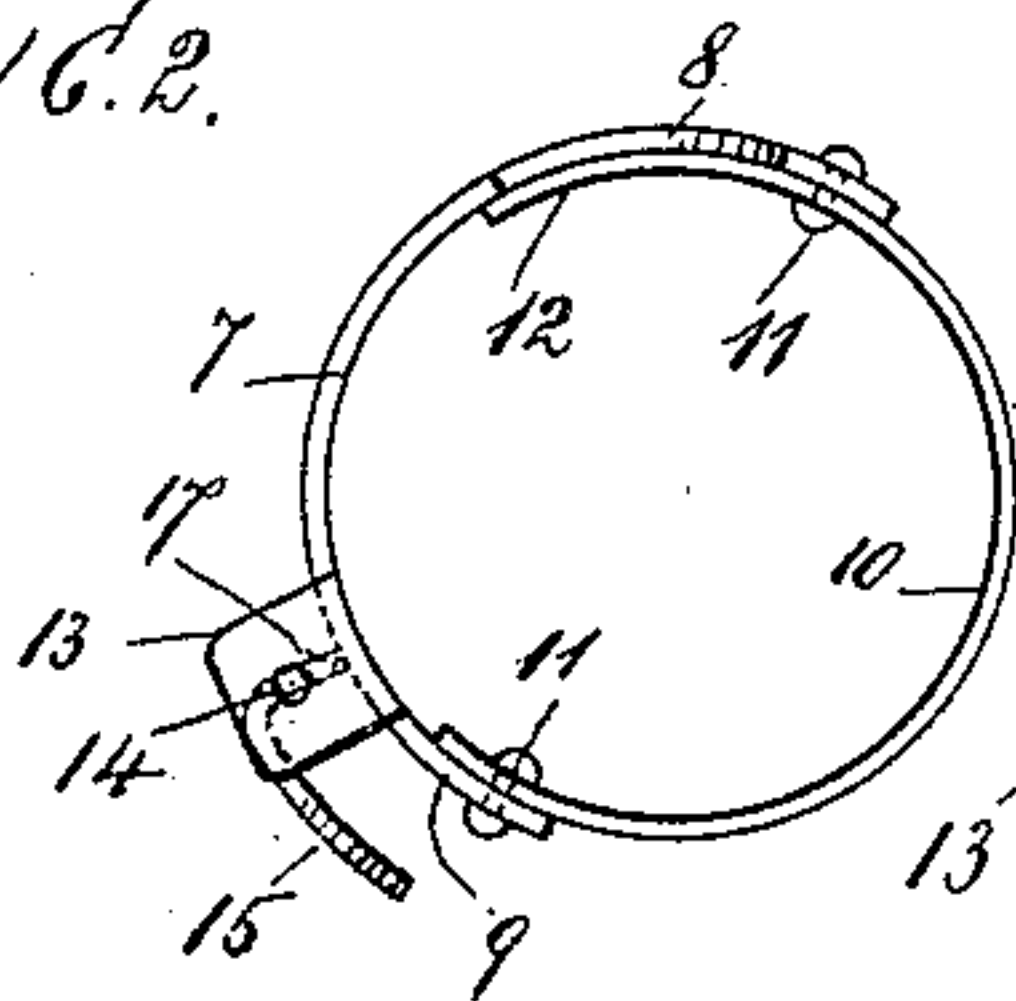


FIG. 3.

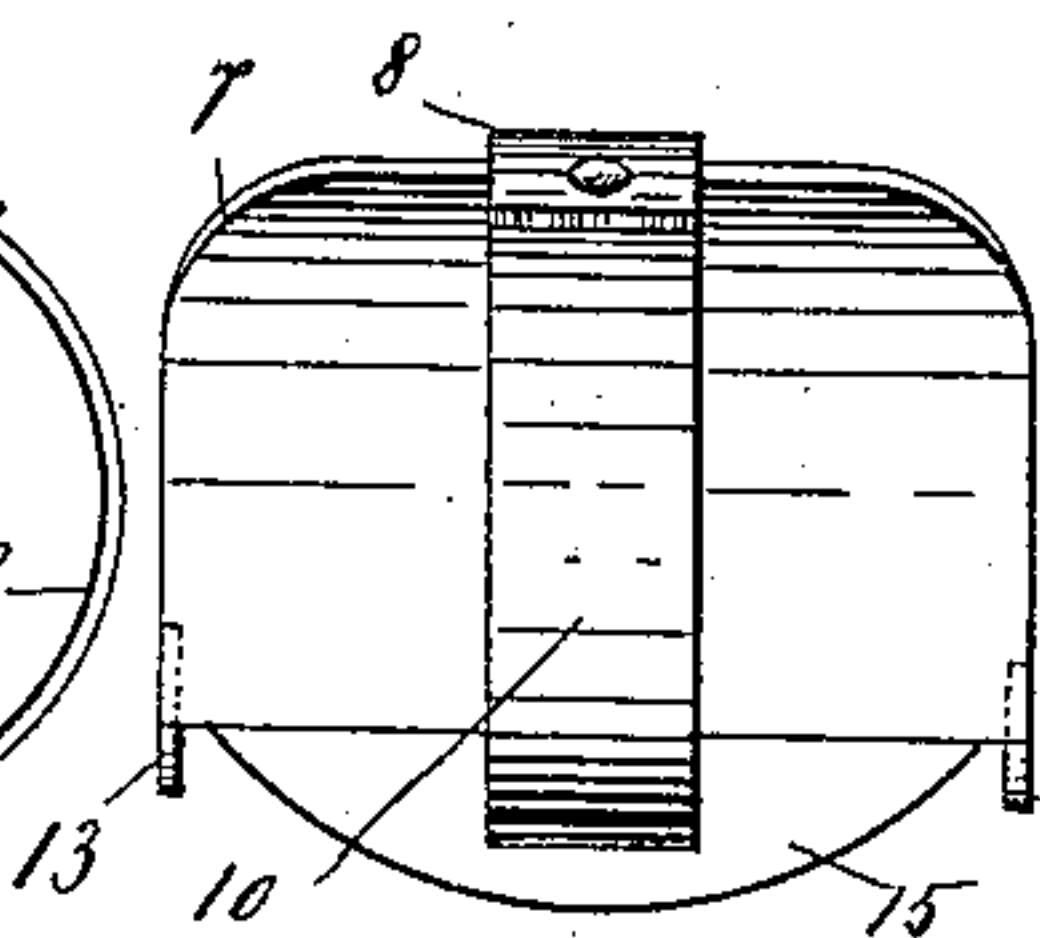


FIG. 4.

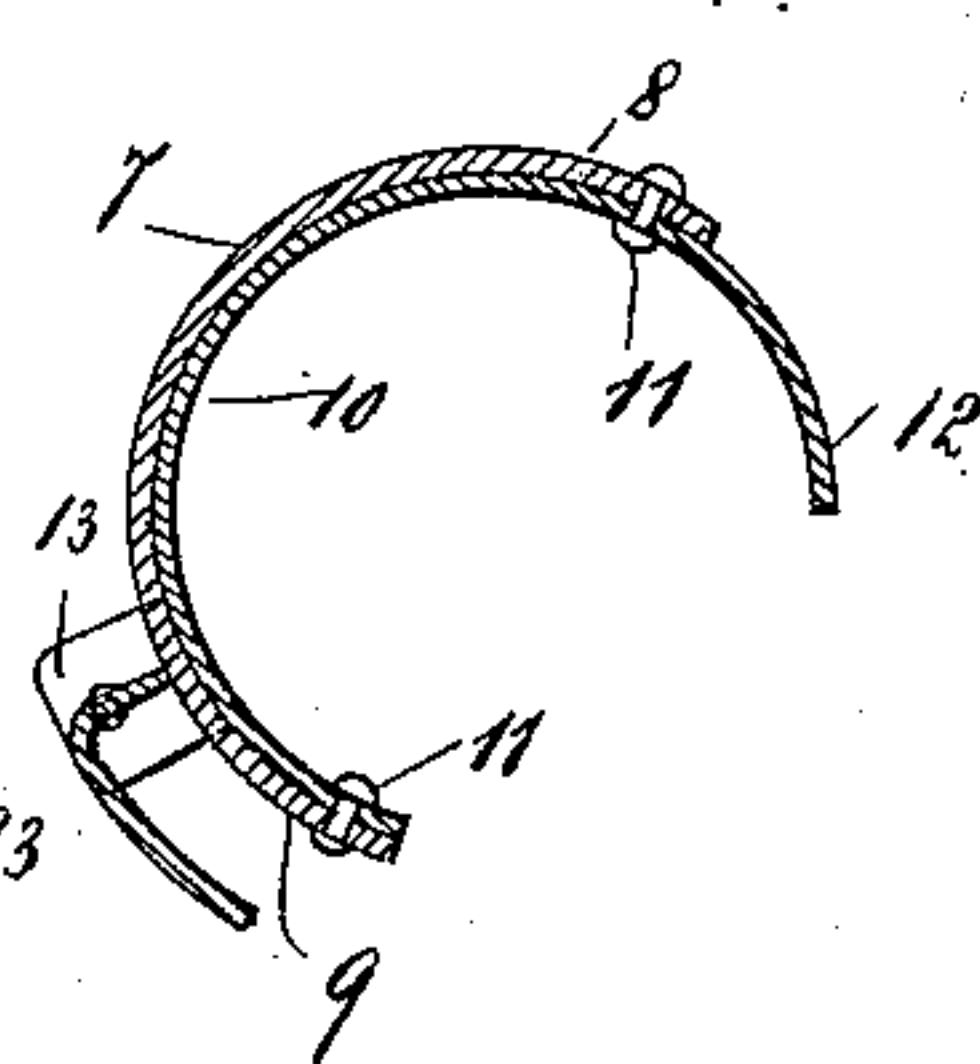
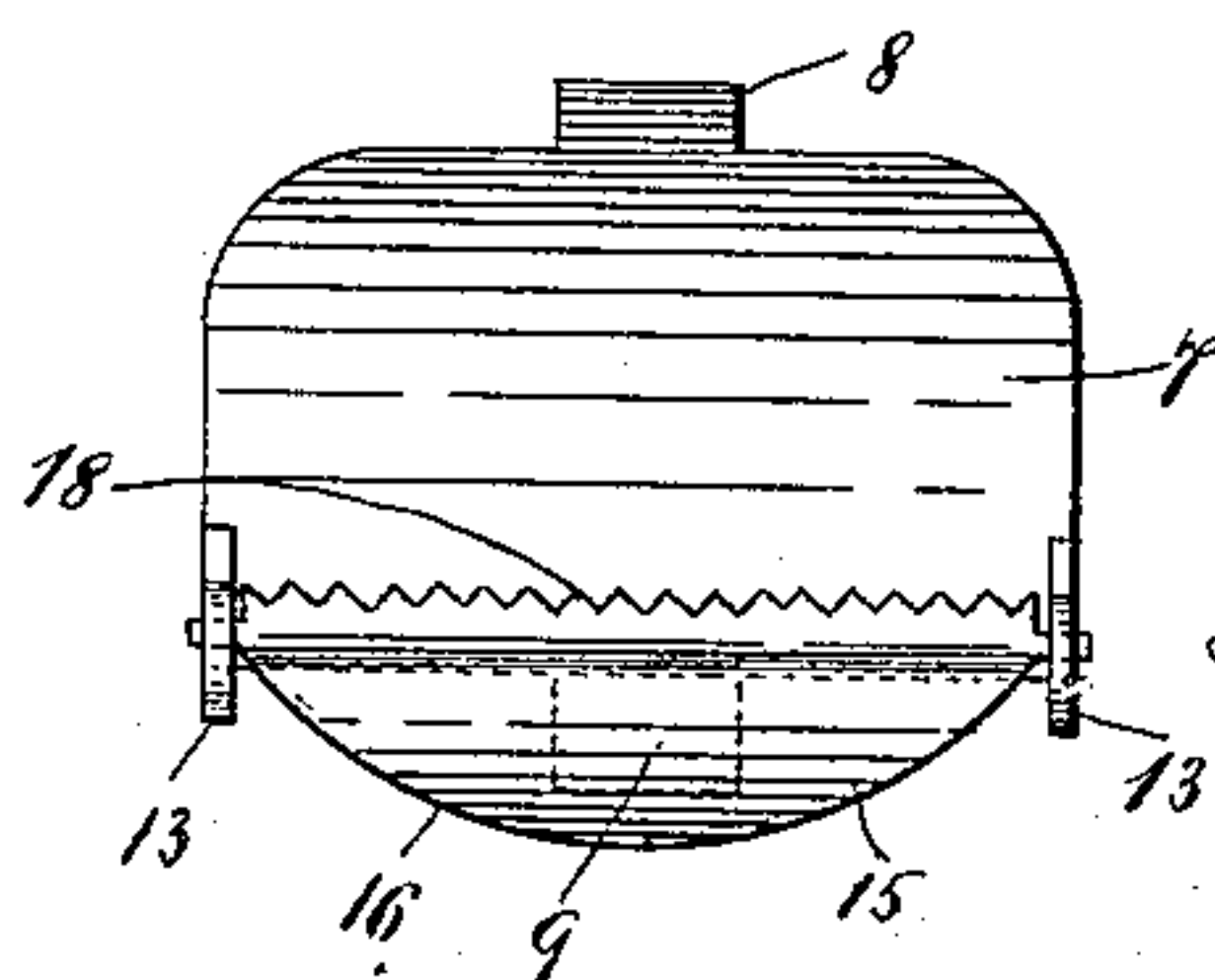


FIG. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK DASSORI, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, (Brooklyn,) in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Napkin-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.

This invention relates to napkin-holders; and the object thereof is to provide a device of this class which may be employed as an ordinary napkin-ring and also as a device for suspending a napkin from the collar or collar-band, so as to protect the shirt-front and other garments.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which—

Figure 1 is a view showing the application of my improved napkin-holder; Fig. 2, an end view of the napkin-holder; Fig. 3, a side view; Fig. 4, a central cross-section, and Fig. 5 a side view at right angles to that of Fig. 3.

In the drawings forming part of this specification the separate parts of my improvement are designated by the same numerals of reference in each of the views, and in the practice of my invention I provide a device of the class herein specified which consists of an oblong plate 7, which is segmental in cross-section and is provided centrally of one side with a projecting tongue 8, having the same curve as a cross-section of the plate 7, and at the opposite side with a corresponding tongue 9, having the same curve, the tongue 9 being shown in full lines in Fig. 2 and in dotted lines in Fig. 5. I also provide a metal strip 10 of segmental form and the curve of which is similar to the curve of the plate 7 in cross-section, and said strip 10 is pivoted between the tongues 8 and 9, as shown at 11, and the length of the strips 10 is greater than one hundred and eighty degrees, and the pivots 11 are at diametrically opposite points, whereby one end of the strip 10 projects, as shown at 12.

The strip 10 may be turned into the position shown in Fig. 2 or into that shown in Fig. 4, and in the position shown in Fig. 2 the said strip 10 and the plate 7 form a complete circular band, and when said parts are

in the position shown in Fig. 4 the form of the device is that of a circle open at one side.

The plate 7 is provided near the edge thereof with which the tongue 9 is connected and at the opposite sides with outwardly-directed jaws 13, between which is pivoted, as shown at 14, a catch 15, which consists of a metal plate the outer edge of which is curved, as shown at 16 in Fig. 5, and the inner edge of which is open at right angles to the outer portion, as shown at 17, and provided with serrations or teeth 18.

When the parts of the device are in the position shown in Fig. 2, they constitute a complete napkin-ring, and the napkin may be folded and inserted therein in the usual manner.

When it is desired to use the device to suspend the napkin while eating, as shown in Fig. 1, in order to protect the garments, the parts of the device are turned into the position shown in Fig. 4, and the catch 15 is raised and the corner of the napkin is inserted thereunder, and said catch is then turned down into the position shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, in which position it holds and suspends the napkin. The projecting portion 12 of the strip 10 is then passed over the neckband of the shirt at the point where the ends of the collar meet, as shown in Fig. 1.

In the construction herein shown and described the strip 10 is shown as of considerable width; but this strip may be very narrow and the plate 7 may also be much narrower than herein shown and described, and other changes in and modifications of the construction described may be made without departing from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

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

1. A device of the class described, comprising two segmental parts pivotally connected at diametrically opposite points and adapted to turn one within the other, one of said parts being open at one side and provided with an extension which projects beyond the pivotal point, and the other part being provided at the opposite side with a pivoted clamp, substantially as shown and described.

2. A device of the class described, compris-

ing a plate segmental in cross-section, another segmental part pivoted between the edges of said plate at diametrically opposite points and adapted to turn therein and one end of which
5 is provided with a projection, said plate being also provided at one edge with outwardly-directed jaws, and a clamp pivoted between said jaws, substantially as shown and described.

3. A device of the class described, comprising
10 ing a plate segmental in cross-section, another segmental part pivoted between the edges of said plate at diametrically opposite points and adapted to turn therein, said plate being also provided at one edge with outwardly-directed
15 jaws, and a clamp pivoted between said jaws, and said segmental part being greater than one hundred and eighty degrees in length, substantially as shown and described.

4. A device of the class described, comprising a plate segmental in cross-section and provided centrally of each edge with a projecting tongue, another segmental part pivoted between said tongues and provided at one end with an extension, said plate being also provided adjacent to one edge with outwardly-
20 directed jaws, and a clamp pivoted between said jaws, substantially as shown and described. 25

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 26th day
30 of April, 1899.

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