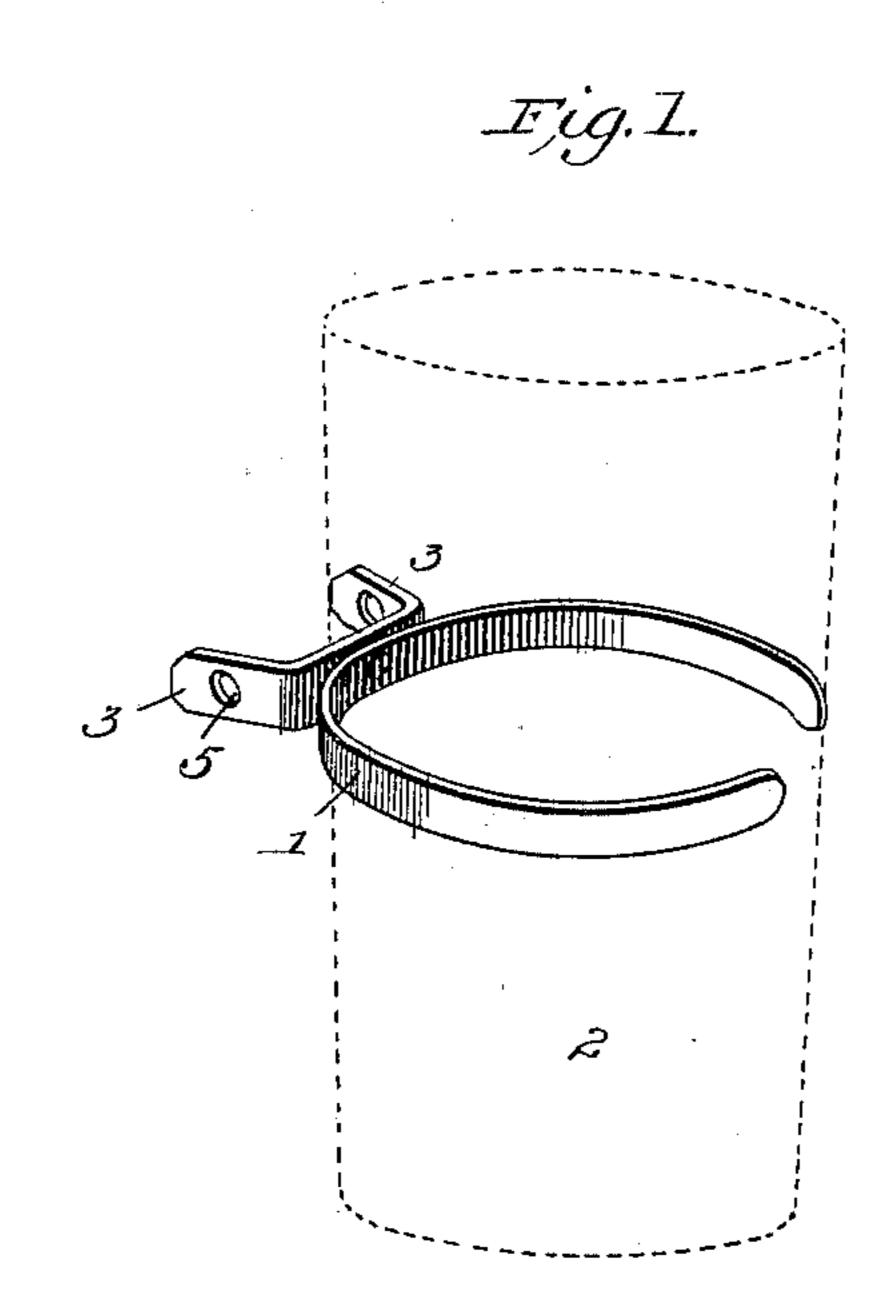
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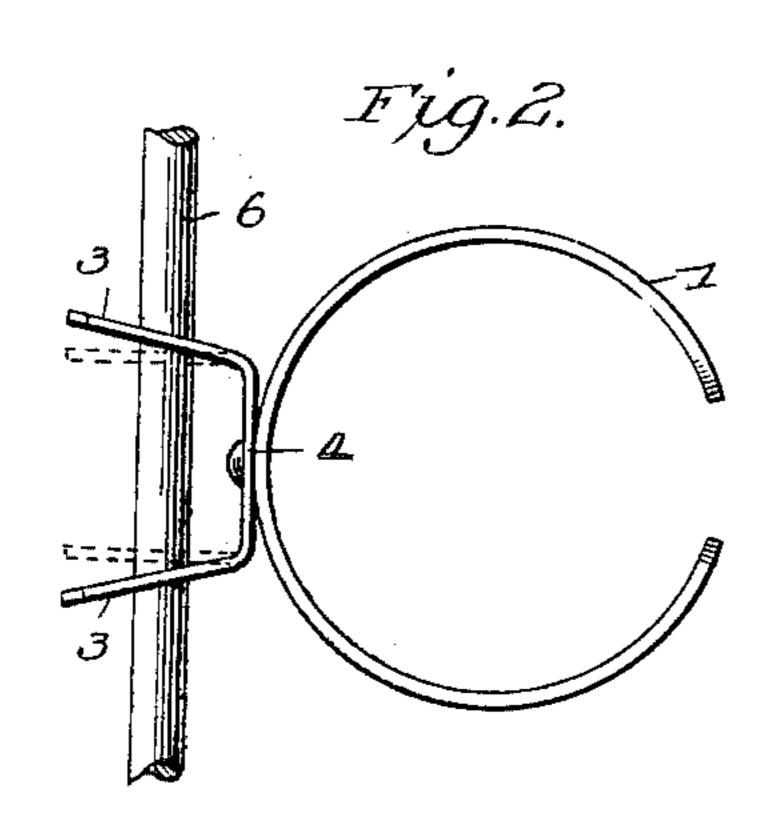
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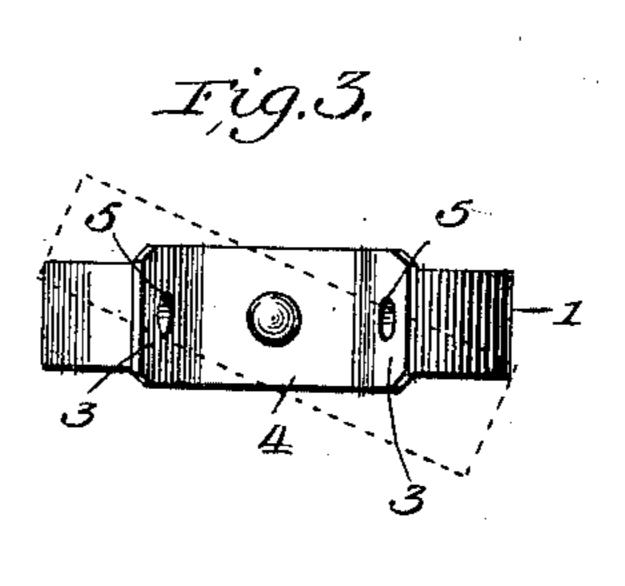
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## FLOWER-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT KIFT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Flower-Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to holders for flower-receiving vessels—such as glasses, flower-pots, or similar vessels—the object being to provide a device of this character which may be adjusted to support the flower-holder at any angle or position desired and adapted especially for flower decorating.

The construction and characteristic features of the invention will be fully described hereinafter in connection with the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of a holder embodying the invention.

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the holder, together with its supporting rod or wire; and Fig. 3 is a rear elevation.

The reference-numeral 1 designates a split ring of resilient material adapted to clamp 30 around a glass or other vessel 2 for containing flowers. This ring is swiveled to a bracket of bail form, comprising slightly-diverging arms 3 and a connecting-strip 4. The arms 3 are each formed with an opening 5, through 35 which passes a rod or wire 6, which serves as the supporting or suspending means for the device, the ends of the wire being secured by any suitable means in the position desired for the best display of the flowers. The re-40 siliency of the arms 3 causes them to impinge tightly upon the supporting rod or wire after the insertion of the latter through the openings in the arms; but by forcing the arms together the holder may be moved along the 45 rod or wire and will be automatically clamped at any point thereon as soon as the pressure upon the arms is released.

It is designed to employ any required number of the holders upon a single rod or wire, the adjustment of the spring-arms upon the 50 rod and the turning of the split rings (which clamp the glass or flower-pot) upon their swivels permitting any preferred relative location of the flowers to secure artistic and graceful effects in decoration.

The thickness and character of the metal employed in the construction of the rings and brackets can of course be varied to suit the exigencies of use, very light metal only being necessary for small glasses for cut flow- 60 ers and heavier or more rigid metal for pots or baskets containing growing plants.

The spring bracket-arms support the holders firmly, and by suitably securing the supporting-rod a variety of attractive effects in 65 festooning and floral draping may be readily secured, and the pots, baskets, or other vessels may be so tilted or adjusted as to bring them into position to receive sun and light. The straight strip 4, which connects the diverging arms 3, affords an extended flat bearing-surface for that portion of the split ring which abuts against it, and the frictional contact thus secured materially aids in maintaining the split ring in any position to which 75 it may be turned. This is an important feature of the construction.

I claim—

A holder for flower-receivers, comprising a bracket consisting of diverging spring-arms 80 formed with openings adapted to be attached to a suitable support and a strip connecting the inner ends of said arms, a split ring swiveled to said strip and adapted to be held in frictional contact with the bracket by the piv-85 otal connection.

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

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