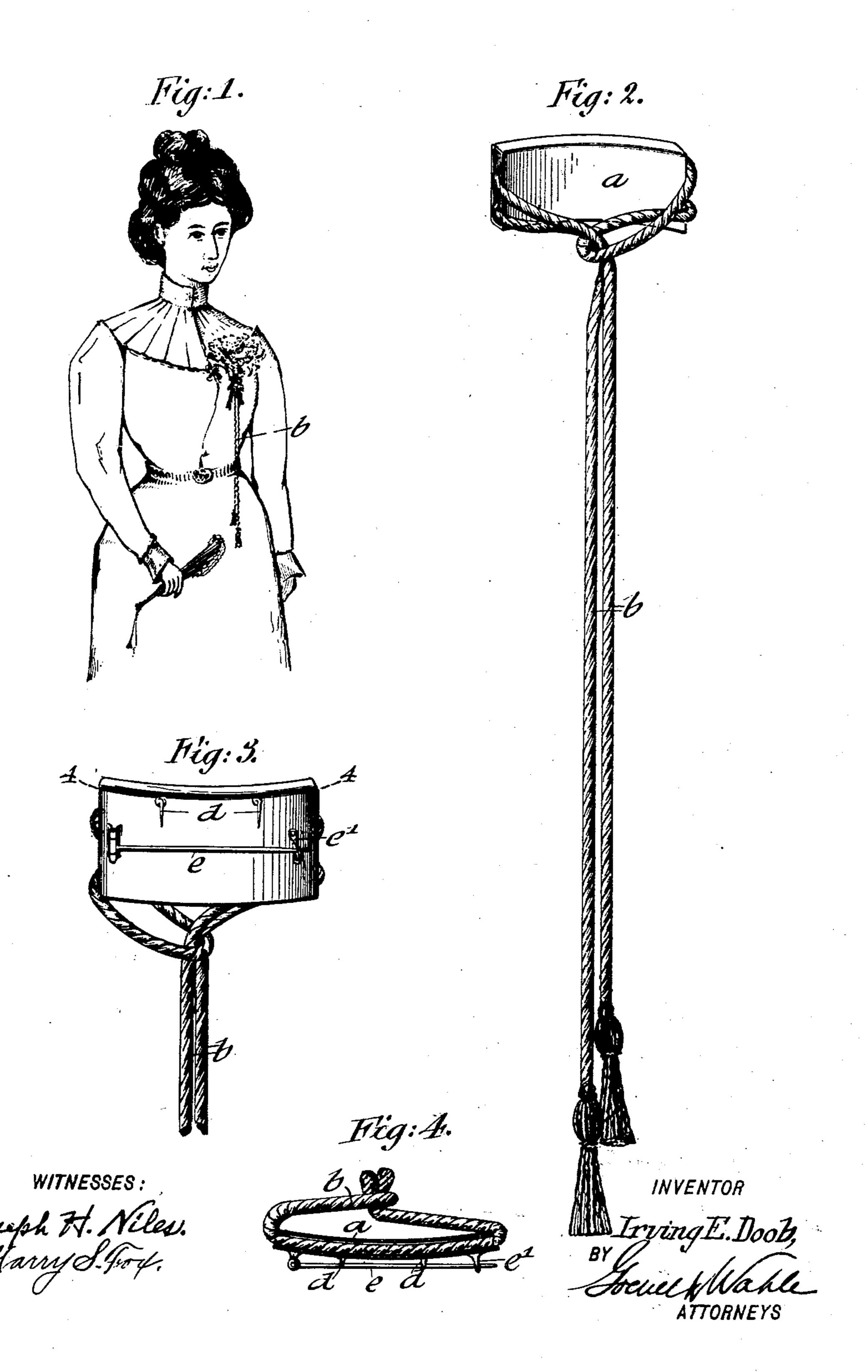
## I. E. DOOB. BOUQUET HOLDER.

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## BOUQUET-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRVING E. DOOB, a citizen of the United States, residing in New York, borough of Manhattan, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bouquet-Holders, of which the

following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in bouquet-holders for use by ladies as a means to for holding a bouquet in position upon the dress or belt without injury to the same and in a very secure and convenient manner; and the invention consists of a bouquet-holder comprising a tubular supporting member open at the ends, fastening devices applied thereto, and a looped retaining-cord passing through said supporting member; and the invention consists, further, of certain other features of construction and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described and then particularly claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating the manner of using my improved bouquet-holder. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the bouquet-holder. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the main portion of the holder as seen from the rear; and Fig. 4 is a horizontal section on line 4 4,

Fig. 3.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, a represents the supporting member of my improved bouquetholder, which may be made either of sheet 35 metal, tubular and open at the ends, as shown, or bent up of wire. Through the loop-shaped supporting member a is passed a doubled-up retaining cord b, and the loose ends of said cord at one side of the retaining member are passed 40 through the loop at the other side of the same, so as to form a sliding loop or slip-noose in which the supporting member is embraced. To the rear wall of the loop-shaped retaining member a, near the upper edge of the 45 same, are applied two hooks dd. A pin e is hinged to said rear wall near one end of the same and extends longitudinally of the member a and engages at the opposite end a catch e, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. By these fas- i

tening devices the entire holder is secured in 50

position for use.

When it is desired to use the holder in case the bouquet is to be secured upon the dressfor example, in the position shown in Fig. 1the holder is first secured to the dress by 55 means of the pin e, the hooks d resting upon the dress, but not engaging the same. The stem of the bouquet is then placed against the supporting member a and the looped retaining-cord drawn down upon the stem, so 60 that the bouquet is thereby embraced between and securely held by the supporting member a and the retaining-cord. In case the bouquet is to be secured upon the belt the hooks d d are hooked over the belt and the stem of 65 the bouquet then applied to the holder in the same manner as before described. The hooks d d serve when the holder is applied by a pin to tilt the upper edge of the supporting member upward or outward away 70 from the dress, while when the holder is applied to the belt the pin e serves to tilt the lower end of the supporting member a outwardly, the bouquet being thereby tilted and held close to the dress.

The supporting member a may be made straight from end to end; but it is preferable to give it a longitudinal curve about in the proportion shown, as thereby a firmer grip upon the stem of the bouquet is obtained. 80 The loose ends of the cord b are preferably made of considerable length, so that by their weight they retain the slide-loop closed upon the stem of the bouquet, thereby holding the stem securely against the supporting member 85 a. When the hooks d d are made pointed, as shown, so as to be capable of piercing the fabric of the dress, they may be used instead of the pin e for securing the bouquet to the dress.

My improved bouquet-holder possesses the advantage that by the use of the same the stem of the bouquet is held removed from the dress or belt, so that the moisture of the stem does not pass into the same and the dress or 95 belt does not become discolored or otherwise injured in the slightest. The holder provides a simple, ready, and convenient means

for securing either to the dress or belt a bouquet of any size in a reliable manner.

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

1. A bouquet-holder, consisting of a tubular supporting member open at the ends, a looped retaining-cord passed through said member, and fastening devices applied to the rear wall of said supporting member, substantially as set forth.

2. A bouquet-holder, composed of a tubular supporting member open at the ends, a doubled retaining-cord passed through said supporting member, a pin attached to the rear wall of said member, and a catch for retaining said pin, substantially as set forth.

3. A bouquet-holder, consisting of a tubular supporting member, fastening devices applied to the same, and a retaining-cord passing through said supporting member and cooperating therewith to embrace the stem of the bouquet, substantially as set forth.

4. A bouquet-holder, consisting of a sup-

porting member, fastening-hooks applied to 25 said member, a fastening-pin applied to said member below the hooks, and a retaining-cord passing through said supporting member, substantially as set forth.

5. A bouquet-holder, consisting of a sup- 30 porting member, downturned pointed fastening-hooks applied to said supporting member, a fastening-pin applied to said member, and a retaining-cord connected with said supporting member, substantially as set forth.

6. A bouquet-holder, consisting of a tubular longitudinally-curved supporting member, fastening devices applied to the convex side of the same, and a retaining-cord formed in a sliding loop passing through said supporting 40 member, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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