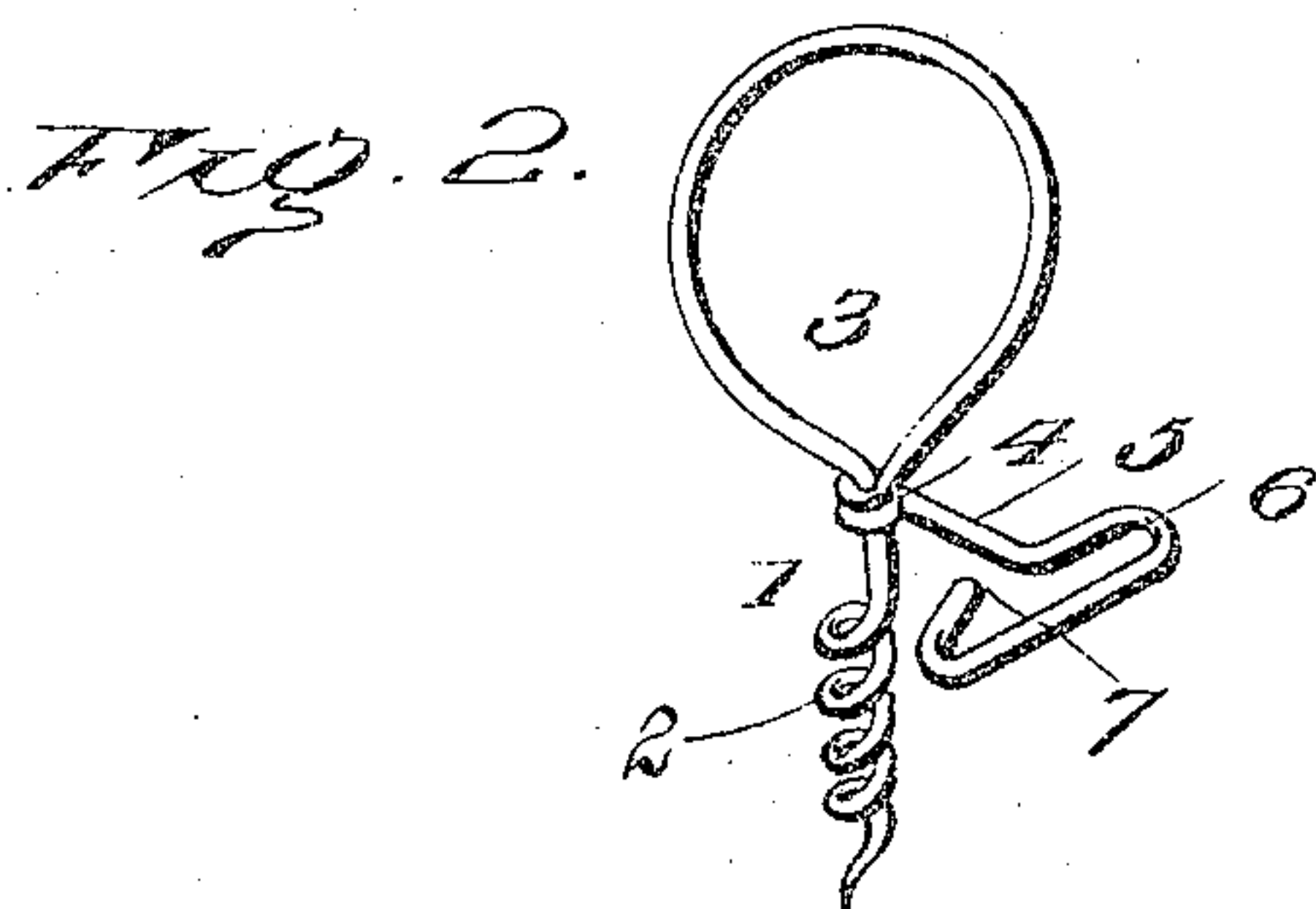
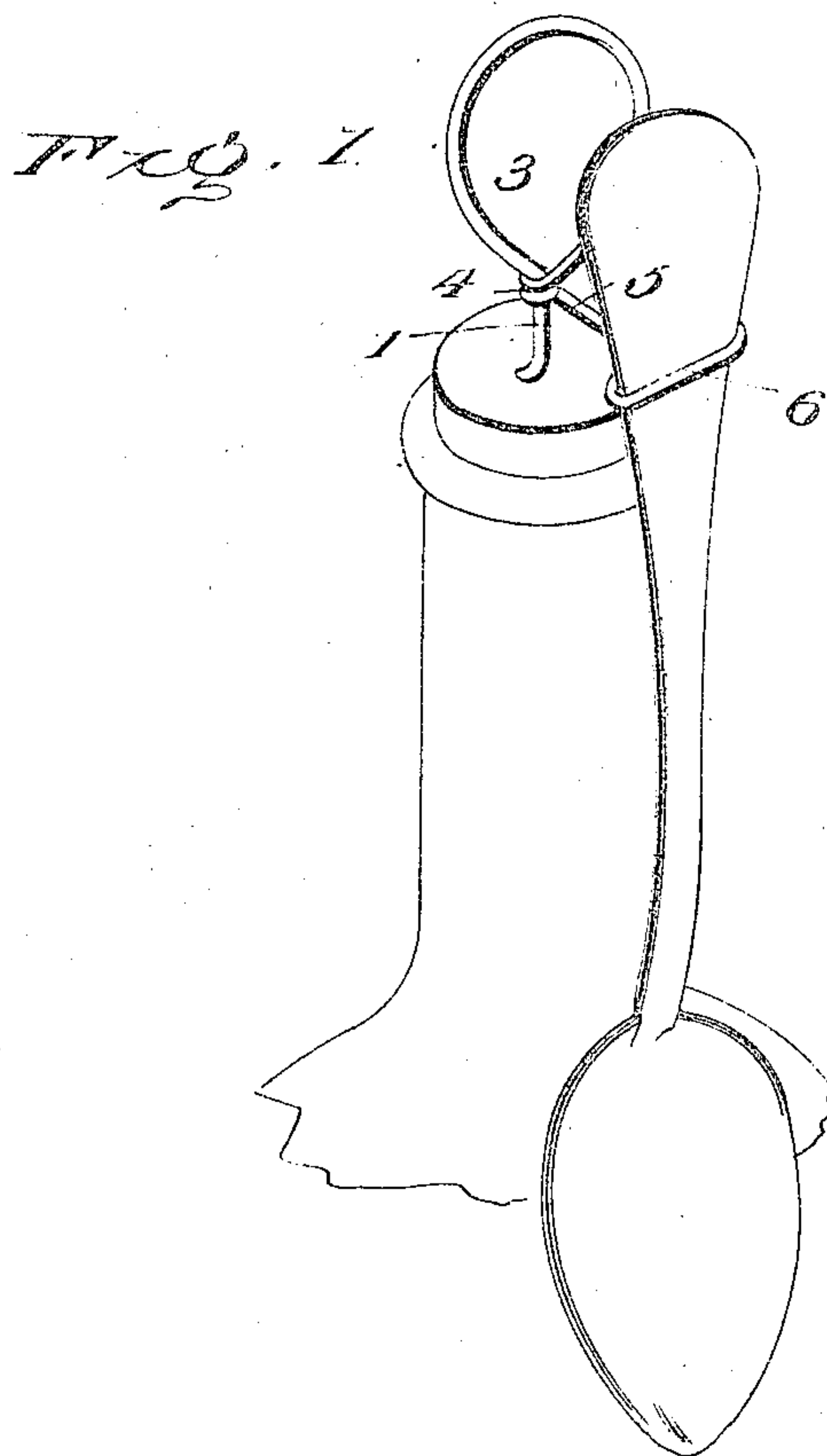


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## CORKSCREW AND SPOON-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ADDIE M. IRBY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Vernonhill, in the county of Halifax and State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corkscrews and Spoon-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention aims to provide a simple household article of great usefulness and embodies primarily a corkscrew device and spoon-holder combined.

As is well known in the use of medicines and the like, it is a source of inconvenience and oftentimes chagrin not to find a spoon handy and ready for use when it is desired to administer to the patient, and therefore I contemplate a provision of a corkscrew which is provided with a supporting member adapted to hold a spoon, the latter being thus always at hand when the bottle or medicine-receptacle is corked and the corkscrew affixed to the cork thereof.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings.

While the essential and characteristic features of the invention are susceptible of modification, still the preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the embodiment of my invention in actual use. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of my combined corkscrew and spoon-holder alone.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

In carrying out the invention I provide a corkscrew of any suitable type, the same, however, being preferably made of a single length of wire consisting of a shank 1, pro-

vided at its lower end with a spiral screw portion 2 and having its upper end portion bent to form the loop 3. The construction of the corkscrew is substantially the same as many which are now in use, the end portion of the wire from which said corkscrew is made being bent about the shank 1, as shown at 4, to make the loop 3 more substantial.

The spoon-holder comprises an extension 5, projecting laterally from the shank, said extension being likewise bent at its outer end to form a supporting-loop 6. The extension 5 is preferably formed by projecting the extremity of the wire from which the corkscrew is made laterally after same has been manipulated, so as to form the bent portions 4, above mentioned. The loop 6 is open, as shown at 7, and said loop is horizontally disposed, being designed to readily receive the handle of the spoon therein. The handle of the spoon is of course introduced in the loop 6 through the open portion thereof and when thus disposed is supported by this member in a manner readily apparent.

In the actual use of the device it will be understood that the corkscrew will be affixed to the cork of the bottle, and thus when the receptacle is corked the spoon after being used will be disposed in the supporting-loop 6 of the extension 5, a position very convenient and obviating the likelihood of displacement.

The practiced method of leaving the spoon after use thereof upon the table or adjacent support upon which the medicine-bottle is located is wholly unnecessary when my device is used, giving rise to a further advantageous aspect of the invention.

Owing to the fact that the invention is made from a single length of wire, the same can be very cheaply manufactured at substantially the same cost as the corkscrew alone.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

In a device of the class described, the combination of a corkscrew comprising a single

length of wire bent to form a shank having a spiral screw portion at its lower end, the upper end of the shank being provided with a pulling-loop, the end portion of the wire being bent about the shank in the formation of the loop aforesaid and extended laterally from said shank to form an extension, and the outer end portion of the extension being

bent to form a horizontally-disposed open loop, adapted to receive and support a spoon. 10

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

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