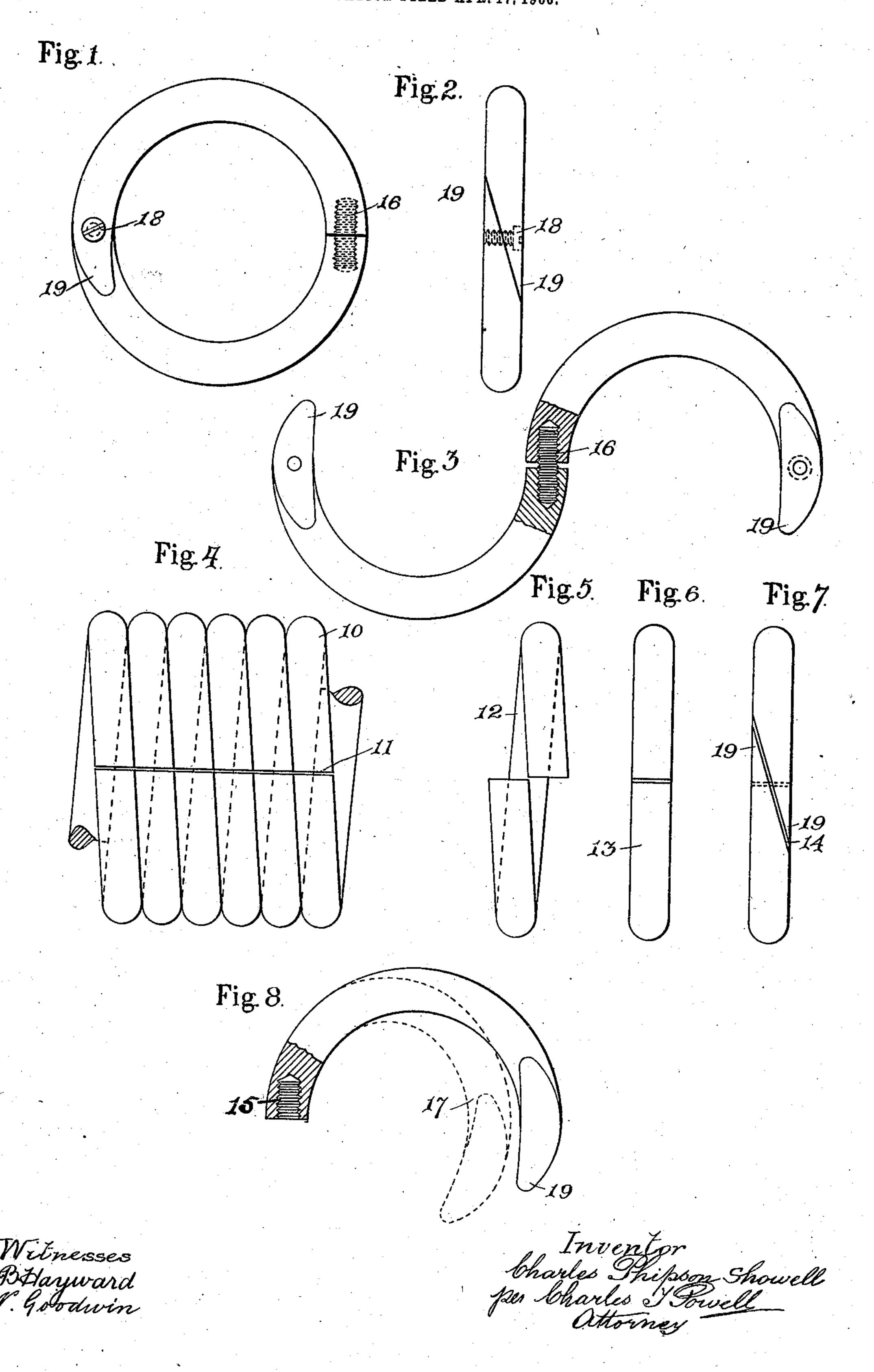
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MANUFACTURE OF BULL-RINGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Charles Phipson Showell, subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at Nine Elms, Stirchley, in the county of Worcester, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in the Manufacture of Bull-Rings, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in the manufacture of bull rings, and refers to the construction of the same as hereinafter set forth, having reference to the accompanying drawings in which.

companying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a side view, and Fig. 2 an edge view of a ring made according to this my invention. Fig. 3 shows the ring in its open position ready for insertion into the nose of the animal. Figs. 4 to 8 inclusive illustrate the various stages of the manufacture of the 10 ring.

Similar reference numbers refer throughout the several views to the same thing or

part.

A rod of metal, usually of copper, is 5 wound into a coil 10 of any convenient length, (see Fig. 4), whose diameter slightly exceeds that of the desired finished ring. This coil is now placed in a suitable holding tool, or upon a mandrel, so that a thin saw-) cut 11 may be made through the one side of the said coils, so that after such cut has been made the parts fall off in the form of rings 12. A ring 12 is then closed, so that its joint comes fair, as seen at 13. The ring is then secured in any suitable holding device, so that the diagonal sawcut 14 may be made at the opposite side of the ring to the previously described severance. Thus the ring is now divided into two parts exactly alike, so that any two of such parts may form a ring complete. A hole 15 is now drilled and tapped in the one end of these parts, into which is firmly screwed the dowel or what is known as a grub screw 16, whose one end stands forward to enter the complemental part to form the complete ring. One of these parts is now bent inwards, as shown at dotted lines 17, to permit of the screwing up of the two parts together. After this

has been done the bent part 17 is placed in 50 suitable tools in a press, so that it may be opened out to its original shape, that is, brought into line with the other portion. Suitable holes are now made in both parts to receive the fastening screw pin 18 the 55 head of which is represented as countersunk into one of the segments or sections of the ring. The entire ring is now cleaned up, polished, or otherwise finished as desired while in its secured position. It will be 60 seen that the sharp points at 19 give the necessary cutting quality to facilitate the piercing of the same through the nose of the animal. Its use therefore will be readily understood to be as follows:—With the re- 65 moval of the screw pin 18 the ring may be opened, as seen in Fig. 3, when either of the ends 19 may be passed through the nose of the animal, then the two parts closed and secured by the pin 18. By these means 70 there is practically no waste of metal in the manufacture of these rings as required in the present form of manufacture, where certain parts have to be cut away to form male and female joints.

What I claim as my invention and desire

to secure by Letters Patent is:—

A ring of the class described consisting of two duplicate segments the inner ends of which are provided with screw-threaded 80 sockets, a screw of uniform diameter throughout its length fitted in the two sockets for pivotally and removably connecting said segments together, each segment being provided with an acute beveled end, the flat faces of 85 the beveled ends being adapted to abut and being provided with threaded perforations, and a screw fitted into said perforations, the head of the screw being countersunk into one of said segments.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing wit-

nesses.

CHARLES PHIPSON SHOWELL.

Witnesses:

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