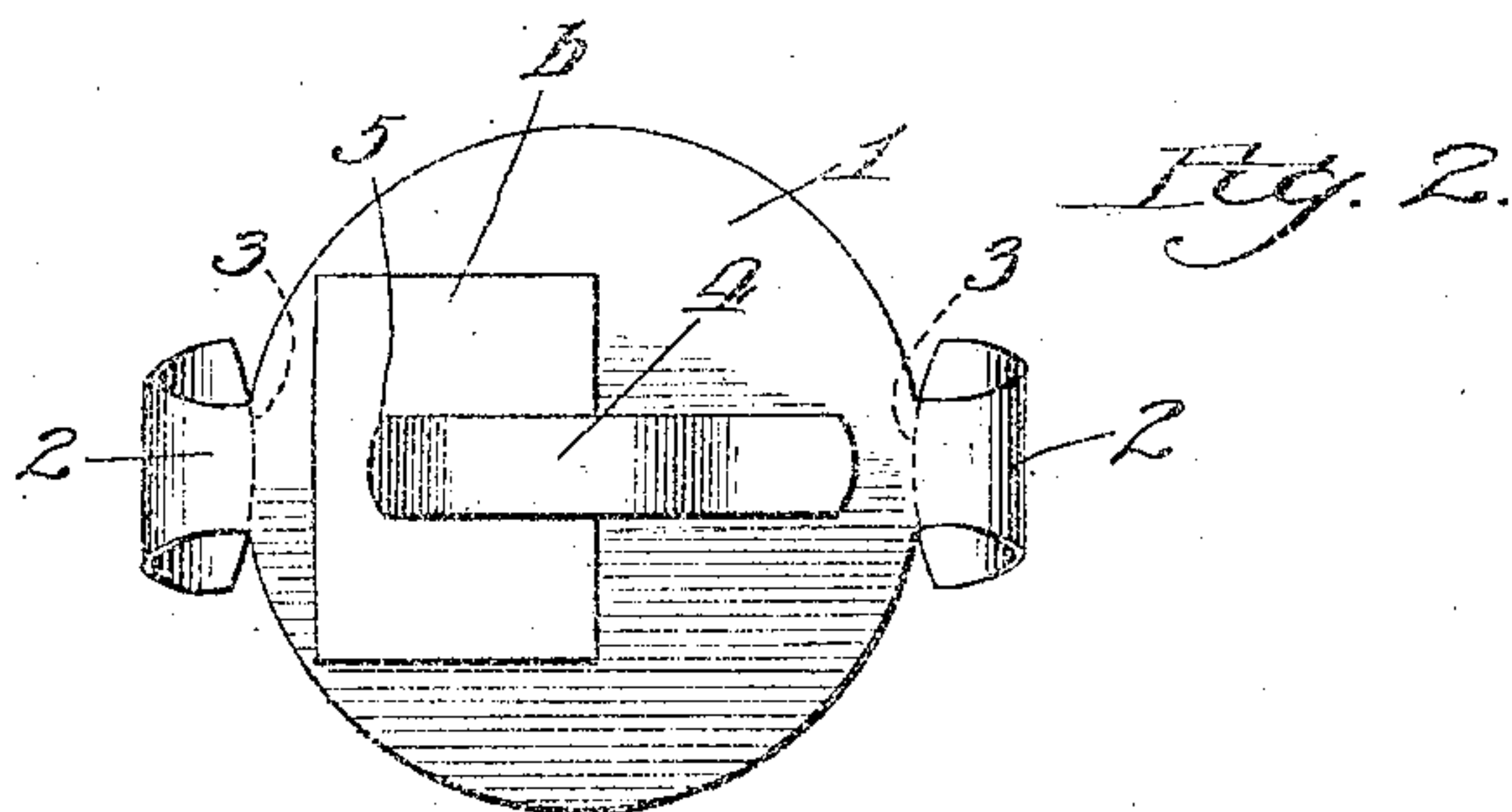
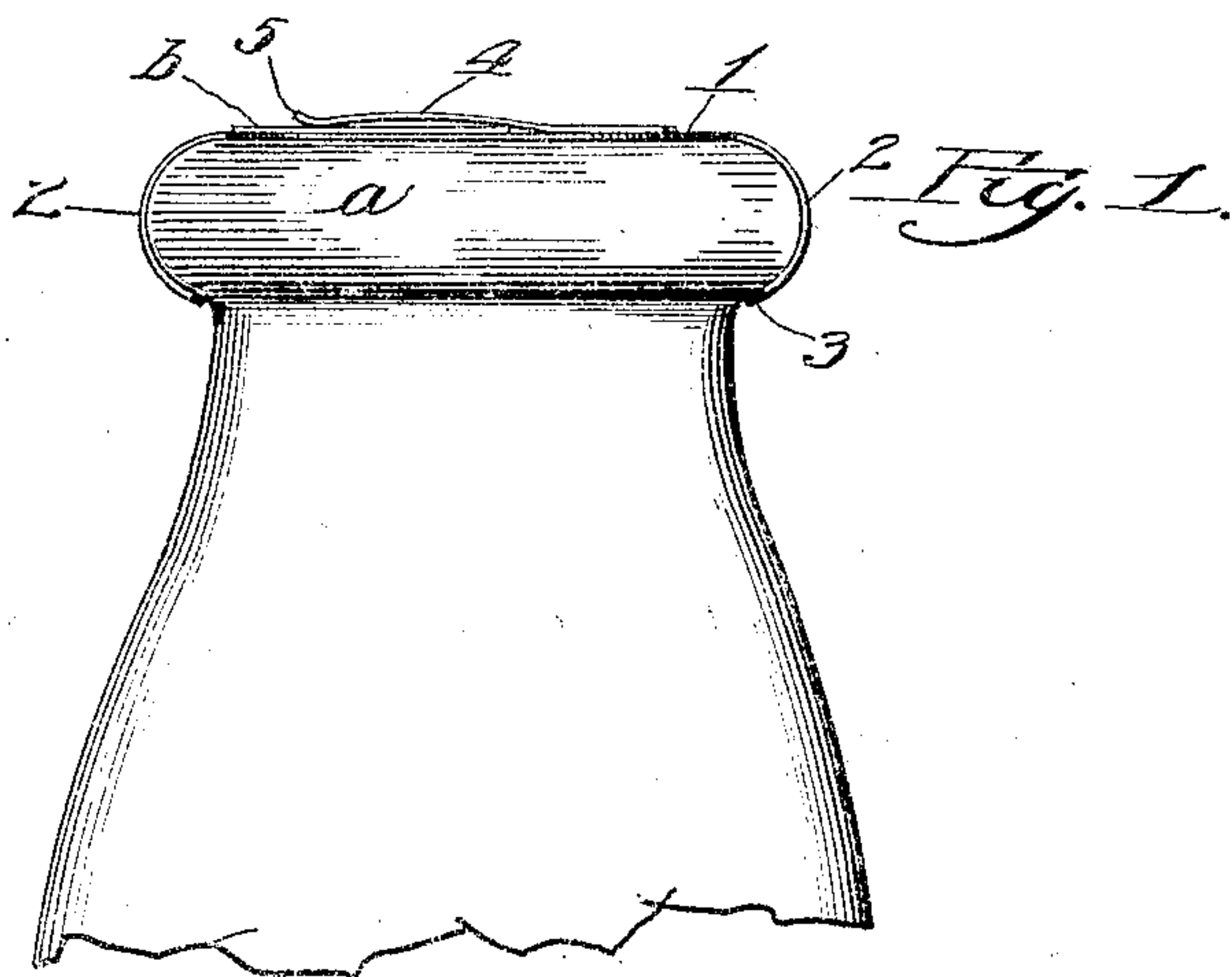


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN HETHERINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Benton Harbor, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combination Bottle-Cap and Ticket-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

One of the objects of my invention is to produce a bottle cap of simple construction and one that may be easily slipped on and off from milk bottles or the like.

Another object of my invention is to produce an improved ticket or coin clip adapted to be attached to the bottle.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a device embodying the features of my invention, showing the same attached to a milk bottle and holding a ticket. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the device.

The present embodiment of my invention comprises a rigid sheet metal disk 1, preferably circular, and having suitable grasping ears 2 on diametrically opposite sides. Said ears are integral with the disk 1 and curved to conform to the bottle-head *a*. They are preferably bent inward so as to be sprung outwardly when the cap is placed upon the bottles, the more firmly to hold the disk in place. As shown in Fig. 2, the lower edges 3 of said ears are curved, making it easier to slip the cap on or off from the bottle head. On the upper side of said disk, a ticket-holding clip 4 is fastened in any suitable manner, as by sol-

dering or riveting. Said clip is curved from the upper face of the disk and is provided with a toe 5 which normally rests upon the upper face of said disk. Said toe provides easy means for inserting the ticket or coin *b*.

My device provides a simple and convenient means for closing a bottle to exclude dust or other foreign matter, at the same time, securing a coin or ticket which is usually placed inside or near an empty bottle, ready to be returned, in exchange for a full bottle. The device is designed to securely hold the coin or ticket.

As the features of my invention may be embodied in devices of many different designs, I do not wish to be limited to the exact construction herein illustrated.

I claim as my invention:

As a new article of manufacture, a sheet metal combination bottle cap and ticket holder for milk bottles comprising a flat circular disk for covering the mouth of the bottle, having two curved bottle-head engaging ears at diametrically opposite points upon its periphery, the lower edges of said ears being curved to facilitate their entrance beneath the bottle head, and a ticket-holding clip on said disk adapted to clamp the ticket against the upper side of said disk.

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