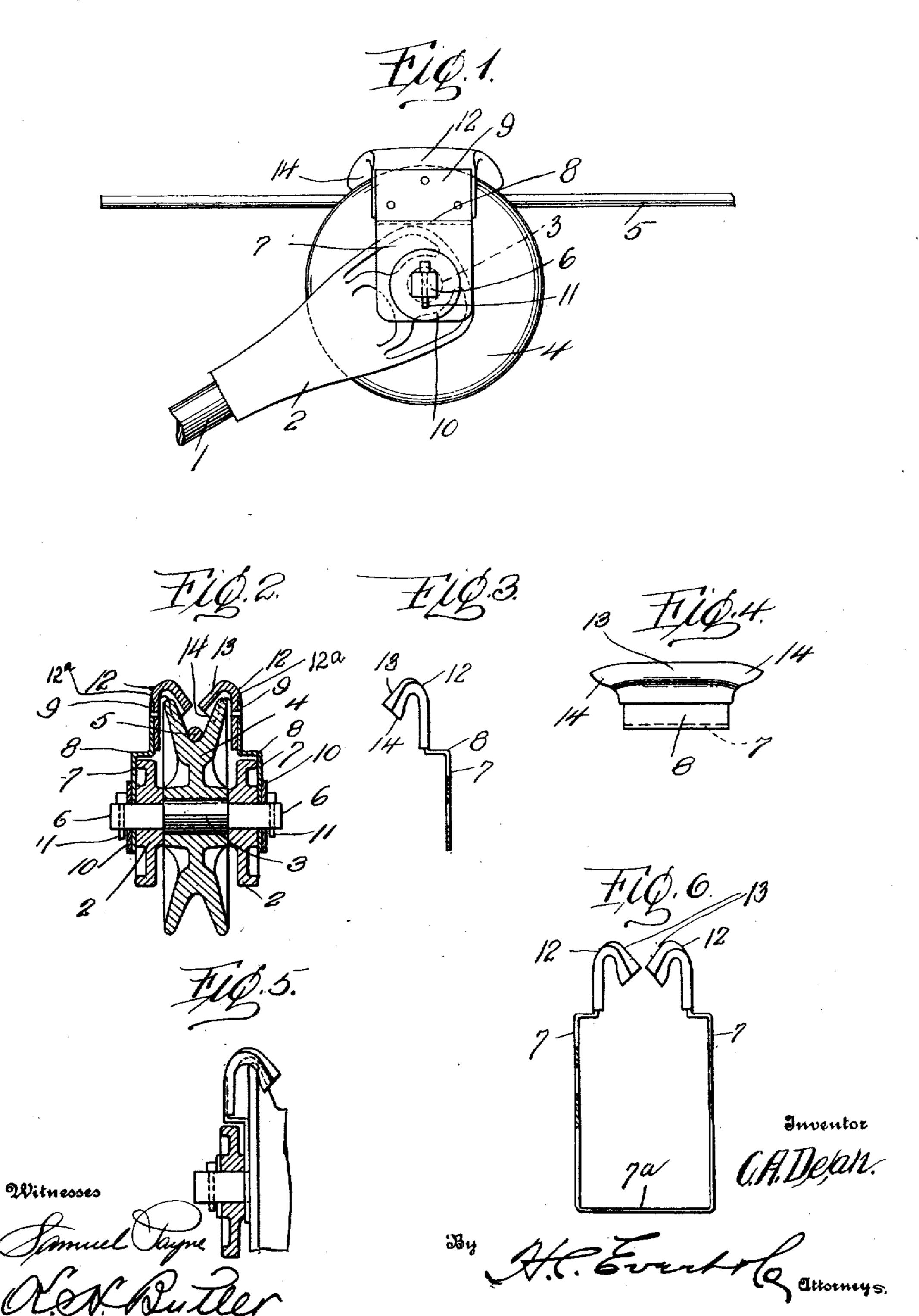
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. DEAN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Homestead, in the county of Alle-5 gheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trolleys, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein

to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to attachments for trolleys, and the primary object of my invention is to provide a novel attachment for preventing a trolley wheel from becoming disengaged from the trolley wire, when a 15 trolley car passes around a curve, under a bridge or travels at a considerable rapidity.

Another object of this invention is to provide a trolley attachment that will not interfere with the overhead work of an electric

20 railway.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a simple, durable and inexpensive trolley attachment that can be applied to the present type of trolley harp by simply 25 lengthening or providing a longer journal

pin than the pin at present used. With the above and other objects in view which will more readily appear as the invention is better understood, the same con-30 sists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts to be presently

described and claimed.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is an elevation of a trolley equipped with my attach-35 ment, Fig 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same, Fig 3 is an edge view of approximately one-half of the attachment, partly broken away and partly in section, Fig. 4 is a view looking down upon the guard as shown in 40 Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is an edge view of a modified form of the attachment, and Fig. 6 is a similar view of still another modified form

of attachment.

In the accompanying drawings, 1 desig-45 nates a trolley pole having a harp 2 of a conventional form. This harp is provided with a transverse journal pin 3 upon which is journaled a trolley wheel 4 adapted to engage a trolley wire 5 or a similar electrical 50 conductor. The journal pin 4 is provided with rectangular protruding ends 6 and mounted upon the ends of said pin are vertical plates 7 having their upper edges bent inwardly, as at 8, and upwardly as at 9, for | thereof extending in a different plane with

a purpose that will presently appear. The 55 plates 7 are retained upon the rectangular ends 6 of the pin 3 by washers 10 and pins 11.

Riveted or otherwise secured to the ends 9 of the plates 7 are retainer elements. Each of these elements consists of a verti- 60 cally extending body portion 12 shouldered on its outer face near its top as at 12ª to form a seat for the mounting of the body portion upon the top edge of the end 9. Each of said elements further comprises an inwardly 65 extending and downwardly inclined arm 13 with the terminus thereof beveled as at 14. The beveled terminus of the arms 13 allow of the arms to easily glide by a trolley wire hanger. The plates 7 are made of a resilient 70 material, whereby the retainer elements can be sprung apart when the trolley wheel is to be removed from the trolley wire, the resiliency of said plates being sufficient, however, to retain the retainer elements in prox- 75 imity, and thereby prevent accidental displacement of the trolley wire. In making the plates and the retainer elements separate pieces and securing the same together, I can renew the retainer elements without entirely 80 discarding the entire attachment, as the retainer elements are susceptible to wear and tear by contacting with the trolley wire and its supports.

In Fig. 5 of the drawings, I have illustrated 85 a modification of my invention wherein the plates 7 are located upon the inner side of the trolley harp, while a still further modification is illustrated in Fig. 6 wherein the lower ends of the plates are connected by a stir- 90

rup 7^a.

It is thought that the operation and utility of my invention will be fully understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings, and while I have 95 herein illustrated the preferred embodiments of my invention, the same are susceptible to variations without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having now described my invention what 100

I claim as new is:-

The combination with a trolley harp, a journal mounted in said harp and having protruding rectangular ends, and a trolley wheel mounted upon said journal, of resilient 105 plates mounted upon the rectangular ends of said journal and having the upper portions

respect to the lower portions, shouldered retainer elements seated upon the top edge of said plates, means for securing the retainer elements to the plates, and said retainer elements further embodying inwardly extending and downwardly inclined arms each having its lower terminus beveled.

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

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