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Fig. 1.

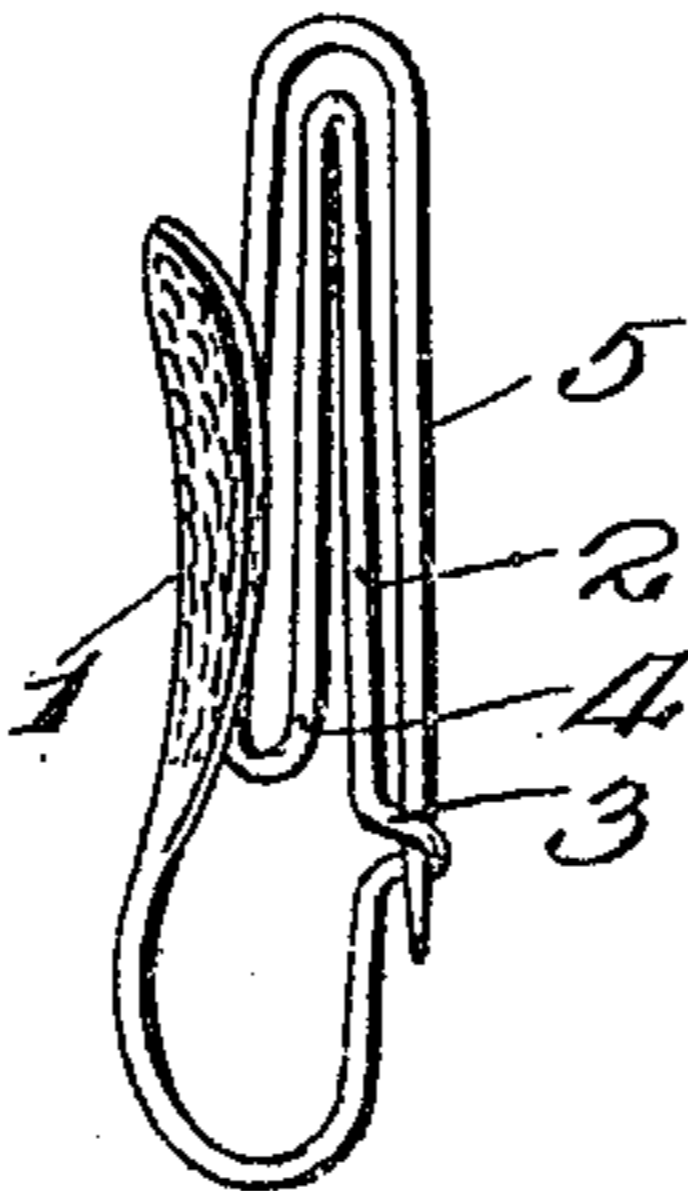


Fig. 2.

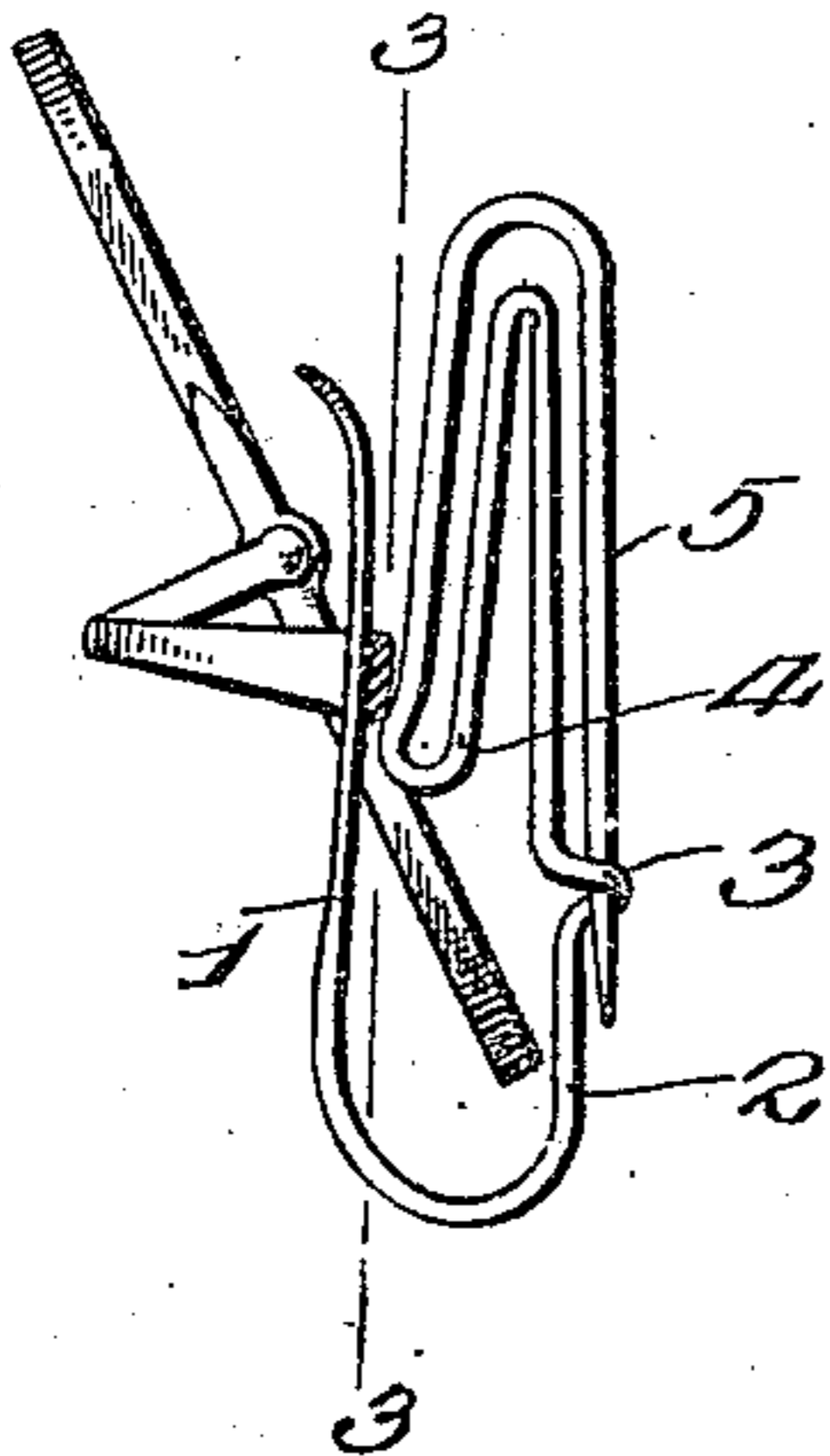
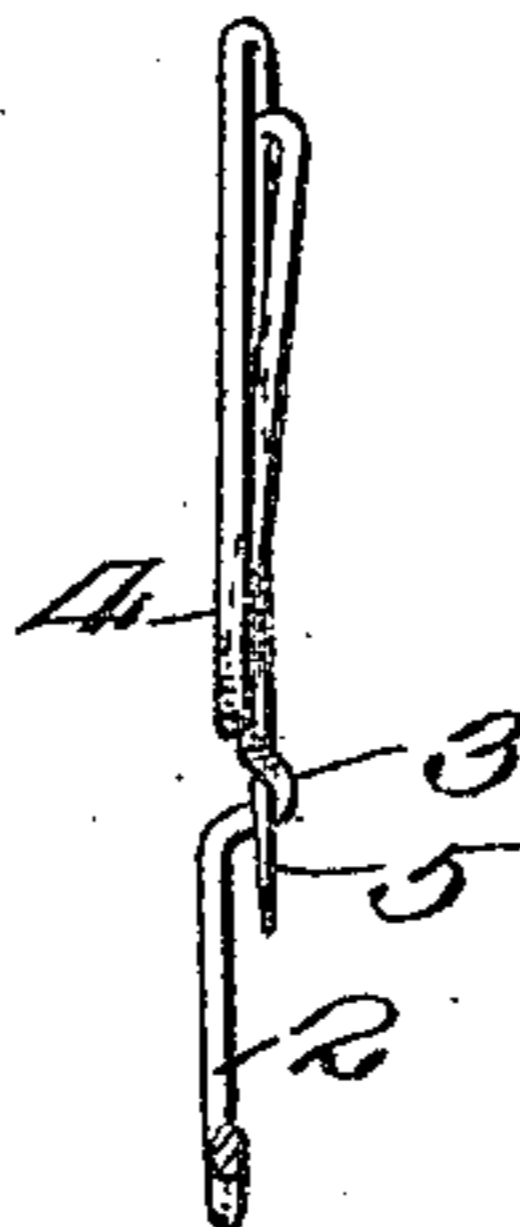


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FLORENCE H. TODD, citizen of the United States, residing at Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Eyeglass-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention contemplates certain new and useful improvements in eyeglass holders of that type which are arranged to be secured to the clothing of the user, and the object of the invention is an improved device of the character described, to which glasses may be readily secured or from which they may be rapidly detached, and which embodies peculiar means for closing the throat of the holder, so as to effectually prevent the glasses from becoming accidentally disengaged therefrom.

With this and other objects in view that will more fully appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists in certain constructions and arrangements of the parts that I shall hereinafter fully describe, and then point out the novel features thereof, in the appended claim.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof and to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved eyeglass holder; Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof showing the eyeglasses turned therein preparatory to removal from the holder; and, Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

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

My improved eyeglass holder is preferably constructed of an integral strip of suitable metal, preferably wire, which is bent near one end to constitute the customary upwardly facing yielding hook or bill 1, from the lower end of which the wire extends upwardly to form a shank or strand 2 that is substantially parallel to the bill, as shown, and that is preferably offset and crimped at an intermediate point to form a forwardly opening loop or keeper 3. From the upper end of the shank or strand 2, the wire is doubled upon itself forwardly and extends downwardly to a point preferably

just above the catch 3 to form a second strand, and is then returned upon itself upwardly, in close proximity to the bill, to produce a third strand constituting a guard 4 which latter normally closes the throat of the holder as best shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing. From the upper end of the guard, the wire extends rearwardly above and beyond the corresponding end of the shank or strand 2, and is then bent downwardly to form a fourth strand 5, constituting a pin that is designed to be passed through the clothing, and is arranged for engagement with the catch 3, so as to secure the holder in position.

In the practical use of my improved eyeglass holder, in order to detach the eyeglass therefrom, it is necessary to turn the nose or bridge piece edgewise and to press the latter forwardly so as to spring the bill away from the guard and thus permit the nose piece to pass therebetween. By arranging the bill and shank 2 in substantially parallel relation, and by closing the throat portion with the guard, it will be observed that a relatively large space is provided at the lower end of the holder, so as to give the glasses free movement when secured thereto, while at the same time effectually preventing the glasses from riding upwardly in the holder to become accidentally disengaged therefrom.

It will be observed that by forming the pin integral with the upper end of the guard, tension exerted upon the pin by the manipulation thereof, is partly transmitted to the spaced members of the guard and to the shank, thereby relieving the pin of excessive strain and preventing it from becoming easily deprived of its resiliency.

From the above description, in connection with the accompanying drawing, it will be apparent that I have provided a simple, durable and efficient construction of eyeglass holder which embodies novel means for preventing the accidental disengagement of the glasses therefrom, to which the glasses may be readily and quickly attached when desired, and which may be readily formed of an integral strip of wire, and thus easily manufactured so as to be placed upon the market at a reasonable price not too great to prevent its general use.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim is:

As a new article of manufacture, an eye-

glass holder formed with a single piece of  
wire, one end of which is flattened and bent  
laterally to form a hook and the opposite  
end thereof extending upwardly in spaced  
5 relation to the rear face of the hook and  
thence offset to produce a keeper, the wire  
being thence extended upwardly in a  
straight line to a point above the bill of the  
hook to produce a shank and thence bent  
10 upon itself and continued downwardly in a  
straight line to a point below the bill of said  
hook, the wire being thence bent upon itself  
and in contact with the rear face of the hook

below the bill thereof to form a guard, the  
wire after the guard is formed being contin- 15  
ued upwardly in a straight line and thence  
bent over the top of the hook in spaced rela-  
tion thereto and continued downwardly to  
form an attaching pin, the piercing point of  
which is adapted to engage the keeper. 20

In testimony whereof I affix my signature  
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