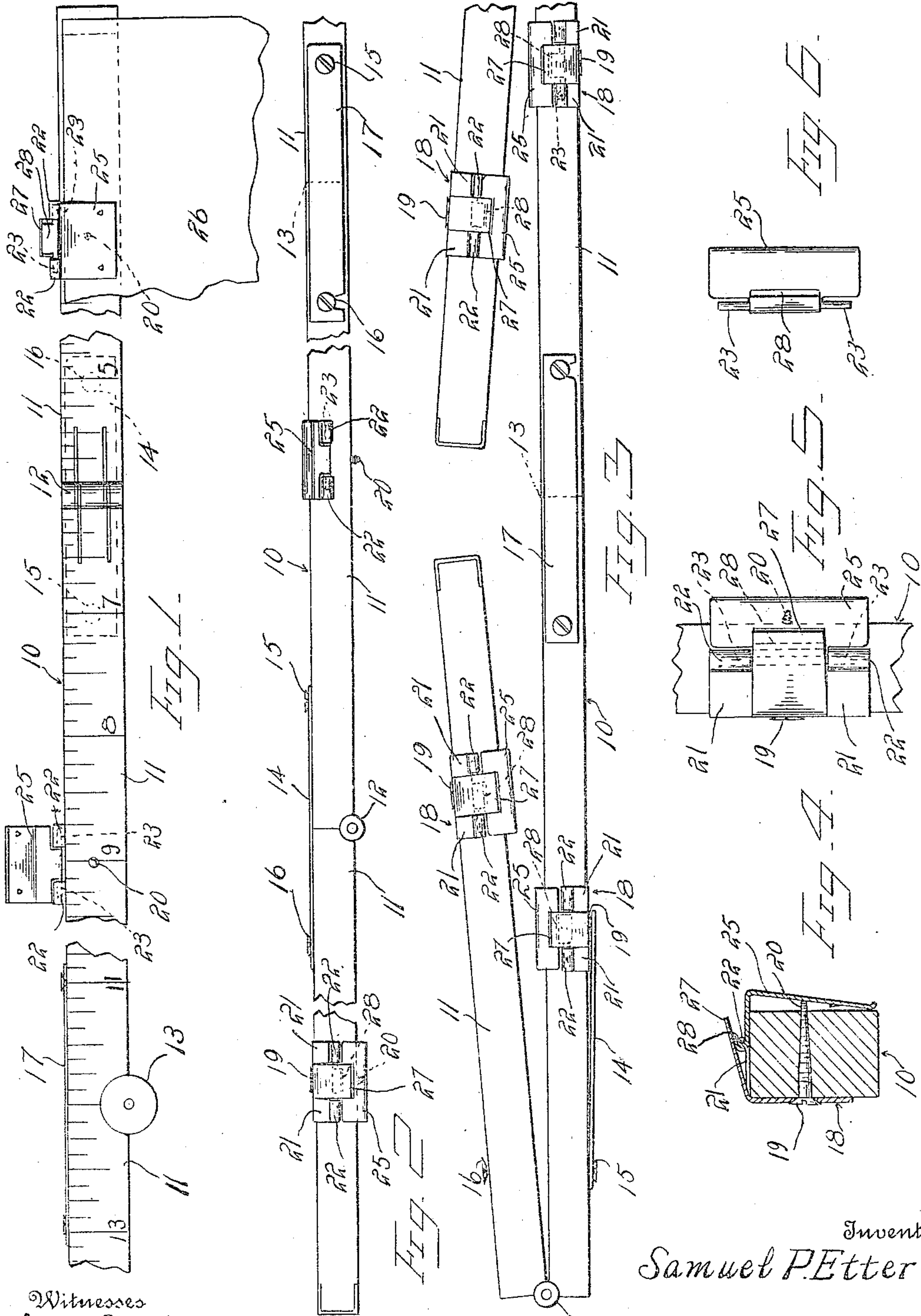


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL P. ETTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cisne, in the county of Wayne, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper-Holder Attachments; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The invention relates to a paper holder attachment and more particularly to the class of paper holder attachments for carpenters' rules.

The primary object of the invention is the provision of a paper holder attachment in which a sheet of paper may be clamped to the stock of a rule so that the paper may be conveniently handled, the rule being capable of being folded in compact form when not in use so that it may be carried in the pocket of a user.

Another object of the invention is the provision of an attachment of this character in which a single or a plurality of pieces of paper may be clamped to the stock of a foldable carpenter's rule whereby the paper may be conveniently handled and also held smooth and straight at one edge thereof.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of an attachment which is simple in construction, reliable and efficient and inexpensive in manufacture.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter more fully described in detail, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which disclose the preferred form of embodiment of the invention to enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention, and as brought out in the claim hereunto appended.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a fragmentary side view of a carpenter's rule with the attachment applied thereto and showing a portion of a sheet of paper clamped thereto. Fig. 2 is a fragmentary edge face view. Fig. 3 is an edge elevation showing the rule in folded position. Fig. 4 is an enlarged transverse sectional view of the rule through one of the clamps carried thereby. Fig. 5 is a rear elevation on an

enlarged scale of one of the clamps. Fig. 6 is a detailed view of the hinge jaw of the clamp.

Similar reference characters indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views in the drawings.

Referring to the drawings by numerals 10 designates generally a carpenter's rule which is of the ordinary well known construction comprising a plurality of foldable sections 11, connected to each other by the usual hinge joints 12, and 13, and carried by this rule on its face opposite the hinges 12, are lock catches 14, the same being pivoted as at 15, to the rule and are adapted to span the mutually adjacent hinged ends of the sections 11, and engage headed pins 16, so as to prevent the breaking of the hinged joints of the rule sections when in use for holding paper as will be hereinafter described.

Directly opposite the hinge 13 centrally of the rule 10, and carried at one edge thereof is a lock catch 17, the same being identical with the catches 14, and serves the same purpose as the latter.

At intervals throughout the length of the rule 10, and mounted thereon are paper clamps each comprising a plate 18, the same being secured to one face of the rule by a fastener 19, which is passed through the body of the rule and has its pointed end 20, projecting beyond the opposite face of the rule. This plate 18, is formed with spaced right angular extensions 21, terminating in eyes 22, through which is passed pivot lugs 23, the latter formed on a swinging jaw 25, which moves toward and away from the pointed end 20 of the fastener 19, to clamp therebetween or free a paper sheet 26. The plate 18, is formed with a spring tongue 27, between the extensions 21, and this tongue acts upon an offset 28, on the jaw 25, so as to normally hold the latter in clamping relation with respect to the pointed end 20 of the fastener 19, to securely clamp the paper to the rule.

It is clearly obvious that the sections 11 of the rule may be brought to folded position to enable the rule to be folded in a compact manner when not in use and thus permit the same to be conveniently carried.

What is claimed is:—

The combination with a foldable rule, of clamping members carried by the rule each member comprising a plate having right

angular extensions terminating in eyes, a jaw  
disposed between the eyes, a pin passed  
through the jaw and eyes to hinge the said  
jaw on the plate, and a spring tongue formed  
5 on the plate and acting upon the jaw to nor-  
mally hold the same in clamping relation to  
the rule.

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

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