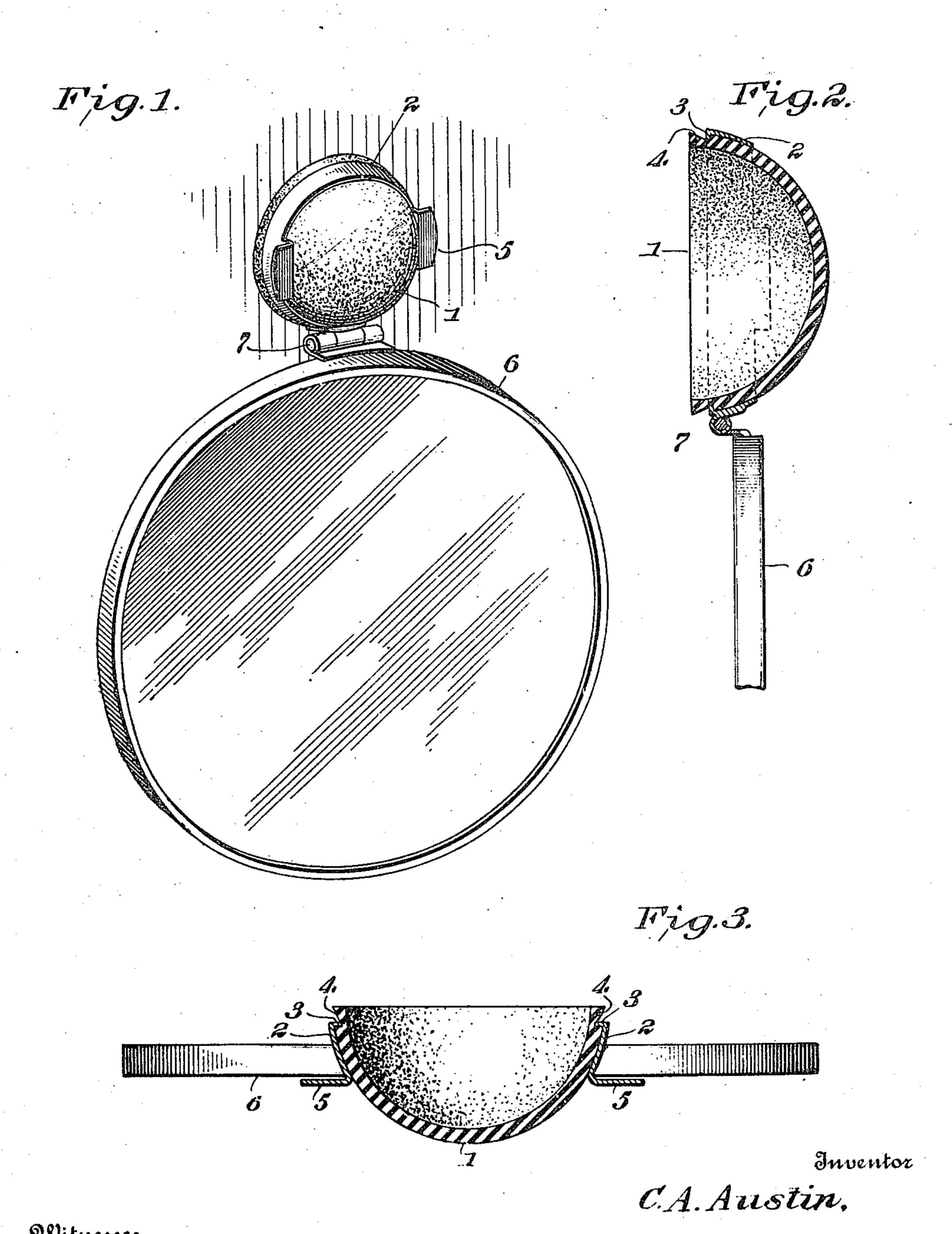
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Charles A. Austin, citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Suction Suspending Devices, of which the following

is a specification.

This invention comprehends certain new 10 and useful improvements in suction suspending devices arranged to suspend a mirror, coat, or hat hook, display holders, or other articles from window panes, show cases, or other smooth sustaining surfaces, and the in-15 vention has for its primary object a very simple, durable and efficient construction of device of this character which may be cheaply made and the parts easily assembled. And the invention has for its further 20 object an improved construction of device of this character in which the suction cup of rubber or the like is held rigid at the rim so as to make a permanent grip on the sustaining surface when the rubber rim is properly 25 moistened, the rim being prevented from spreading.

With these and other objects in view as will more fully appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists essentially in 30 a suction suspending device embodying a suction cup of rubber or the like, a ring of relatively rigid material, such as a band of metal or wire encircling the cup near the rim thereof and leaving a portion of the cup 35 exposed at the rear of the ring at which point the operator's fingers may be applied to compress the cup to produce a partial vacuum therein, said ring having a clencher connection with the cup as by an inwardly 40 extending flange formed on the ring engaging in a groove circumscribing the exterior wall of the cup near the rim thereof, the said rim being formed at diametrically opposite points with finger holds which are extended outwardly and by which the entire device may be handled in the operation of engaging

The invention also consists in certain details of construction and arrangements and combinations of the parts, that I shall hereinafter fully describe and claim.

For a full understanding of the invention, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawing in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a device embodying the improvements of my invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section thereof; and, Fig. 3 is a horizontal section.

Corresponding and like parts are referred 60 to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the accompanying drawings by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawing the numeral 1 designates the suction cup which is prefer- 65 ably composed of rubber, 2 designates the relatively rigid backing formed of any desired material, the said backing in the present embodiment of my invention being in the nature of a ring or band of metal which 70 encircles the cup 1 and which has a clencher connection therewith. This connection in the present instance consists of a flange or bead 3 which is formed by curving inwardly one edge of the ring 2, said flange engaging 75 in a groove 4 which circumscribes the exterior wall of the cup 1 near the rim thereof. It is to be understood that the term "groove" in this connection is to include a rib or wale, or any equivalent therefor. 80 The ring 2, as clearly shown in the drawing leaves exposed the rear portion of the cup 1 so that the operator's fingers may be applied at such point to compress the cup so as to produce a partial vacuum therein after 85 the cup has been pressed against the window pane or other sustaining surface, it being understood that the rim is properly moistened before this operation is performed. In order to facilitate the application of the 90 device to surfaces for sustaining it, the ring 2 is formed at preferably diametrically opposite points with outwardly turned ears or projections 5, which constitute finger holds.

In the accompanying drawing, I have shown the article to be suspended by my invention as a mirror 6 for shaving or other use, connected to the ring 2 as by a hinge joint as indicated at 7; but it is to be un- 100 derstood that my invention is not limited to a mirror as the article to be supported,

the invention being clearly applicable to sustain coat and hat hooks, show-case display holders or other articles as required.

Having thus described the invention, what

5 is claimed as new is:

As a new article of manufacture, the herein described suction suspending device embodying a suction cup and a relatively rigid ring encircling said cup near the rim, the 10 cup being exposed in the rear of said ring,

the ring being formed at diametrically opposite points with outstanding ears adapted to serve as fingerholds.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature

in presence of two witnesses.

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