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Fig. 1.

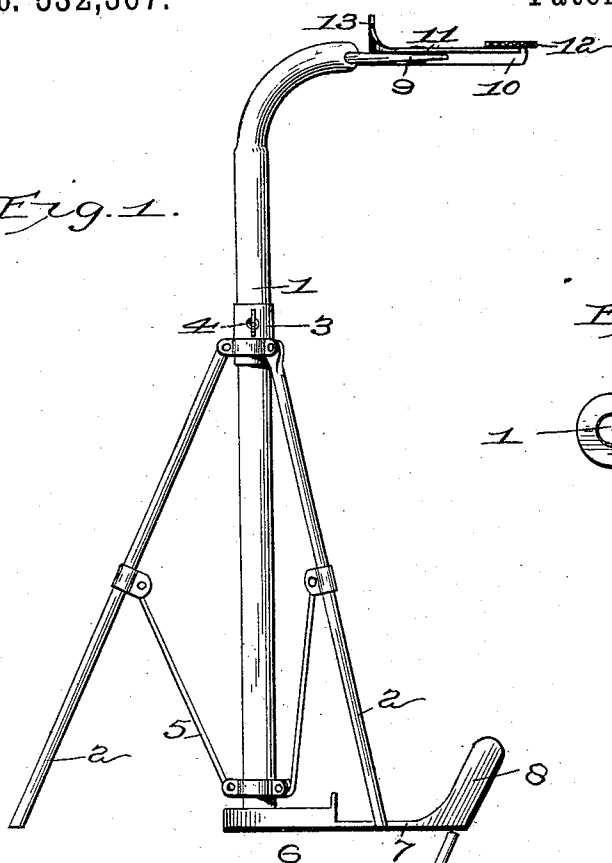


Fig. 3.

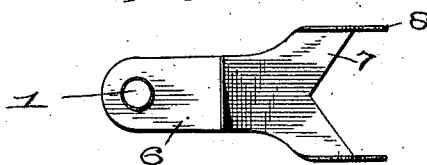
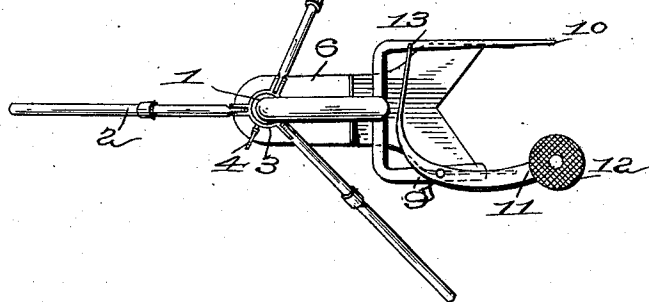


Fig. 2.



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## DOOR-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY FLETCHER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Shelby, in the county of Richland and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Door-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is a device for holding doors and window sashes in a firm position while the same are being planed or fitted for the door or window casing or frame.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1, is a side elevation. Fig. 2, is a plan view. Fig. 3, is a detail.

The hollow standard 1, is made telescopic and is to be about the width of an ordinary door. On this standard are mounted the legs 2 forming a tripod, secured to the collar 3 sliding on the standard 1. This collar is held in any desired position by the thumb nut 4. Strengthening bars 5 are pivoted around the bottom of the standard and about midway of the legs 2. These and the legs are adapted to fold against the standard when the collar 3 is pushed upward on the standard.

Secured on the bottom of the standard is the plate 6 having an angular piece cut out of its center leaving the two prongs 7 extending at an angle. The end of these prongs (8) are turned up at an angle and half around in relation to the plate 6, thus bringing the flat side of said prongs to bear on the side of a door placed between said prongs.

Rigidly secured at the top of the standard 1 and extending at right angles thereto are the forked arms 9, 10. The arm 9 is shorter than the other arm, and has the curved lever 11, pivoted thereto. This lever carries the circular disk 12 at its forward end, its rear end being flattened to provide a bearing face 13 as will be described further on.

When in use the bottom side of the door

rests on the plate 6, the prongs 8 bearing on each side thereof. The upper end of the door is now pushed in between the forked arms 9, 10. The end of the door pushing against the bearing face 13, moves the lever 11 around on its pivots and brings the disk 12 to bear on the sides of the door. The harder the door is pushed against the end 13, the firmer the disk 12 will bear on said door and hold it in position. The standard is supported meanwhile by the legs 3 before mentioned. To release the clamp after the door is fitted it is only necessary to give it a slight pull, as after the pressure is taken off the end 13, the disk 12 will offer no resistance to being pushed back.

Having now described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A door holder comprising the base plate having the upwardly extending flanges, the vertical standard carried by said base plate and having a forwardly turned upper end, and the folding legs for supporting said standard in an upright position, said forwardly turned upper end being forked and provided with an automatic clamp, substantially as described.

2. A door holder comprising the base plate having the upwardly turned projections, the vertical rod having a forwardly bent forked upper end, the rigid collar near the lower end of said rod, the sliding collar on the upper portion provided with means for securing it against movement, the folding legs or braces pivoted to said adjustable collar, and the stay rods extending from the rigid collar to the braces, substantially as described.

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

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