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Fig 1

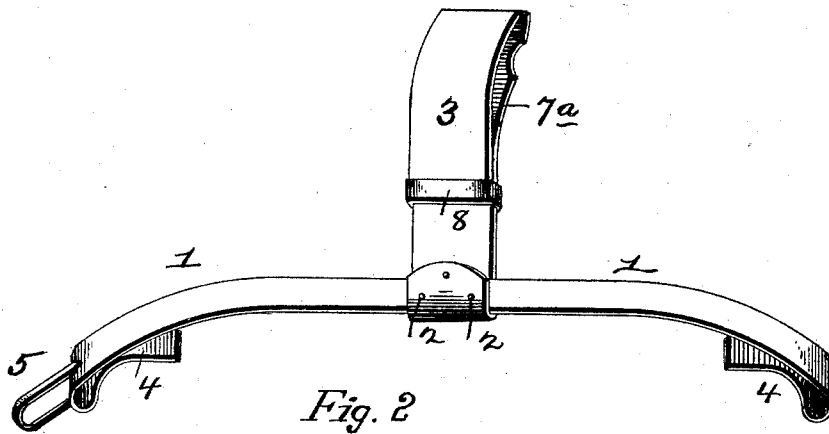


Fig. 2

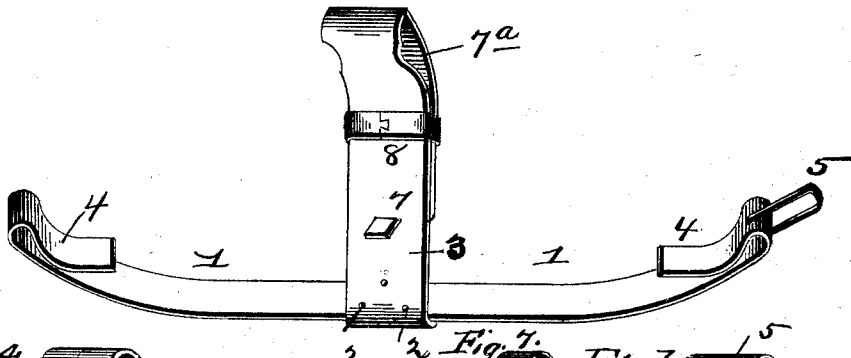


Fig 4

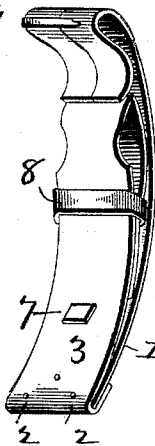


Fig. 5.

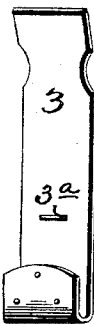


Fig. 6.

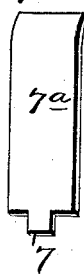


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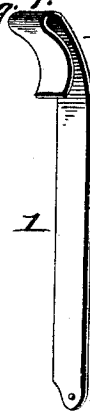
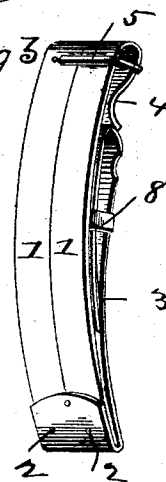


Fig 3



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NAPKIN-SUPPORTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. KOCHLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bellefonte, in the county of Centre and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Napkin-Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to improvements in napkin holders which are adapted to be secured to a garment of a person and which serve to support and hold a napkin.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved construction of the same whereby I secure important advantages with respect to simplicity and efficiency.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings Figure 1 is a perspective view of a napkin holder constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view looking from the opposite side or back of the same. Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective views of the holder folded. Figs. 5, 6 and 7 are detail views.

In the said drawings the reference numerals 1, 1, designate two arms which are pivoted at 2, to the upward bent end of a vertical plate 3. The ends of these arms are bent over upon themselves forming spring catches 4, which are adapted to clamp and hold the corners of a napkin. One of these said arms is provided with a link or clasp 5, which is adapted to engage with the end of the other arm when the holder is folded and hold the same in a folded condition. The plate 3, intermediate of its ends is provided with an aperture or opening 3^a to receive a tongue 7, formed on the lower end of a plate 7^a. This tongue is bent at an angle of about forty-five degrees and projects

through said aperture. The outer or free ends of these plates are slightly curved, converging toward each other and forming clamping jaws.

The numeral 8 denotes a sliding clasp embracing the plates 3 and 7, and is movable thereon.

The operation is as follows; the corners of a napkin are inserted in the bent ends of the arms 1, and the plates 3 and 8 are distended by moving the slide or clasp 8 toward the outer ends thereof. The open jaws are then engaged with the garment of the person using the device and the clasp is then moved downward until it strikes against the bent end of plate 8, causing said plate to firmly clamp the garment against plate 3 and securely hold the device in place. A reverse movement will release the device. When not in use the arms 1, can be folded up as seen in Figs. 3 and 4, so that the device will occupy but little space and can be conveniently carried in a pocket.

By the above construction a very simple, useful and efficient device is provided, which will be found to be very convenient for persons who travel much.

Having thus described my invention what I claim is,—

A napkin holder comprising the vertical plate having an aperture therein, the arms pivoted thereto having their ends bent over upon themselves forming spring clamps, the clasp connected with one of said arms, the plate having a bent tongue engaging with said aperture and the slidable clasp embracing said plates, substantially as described.

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