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Fig. 1.

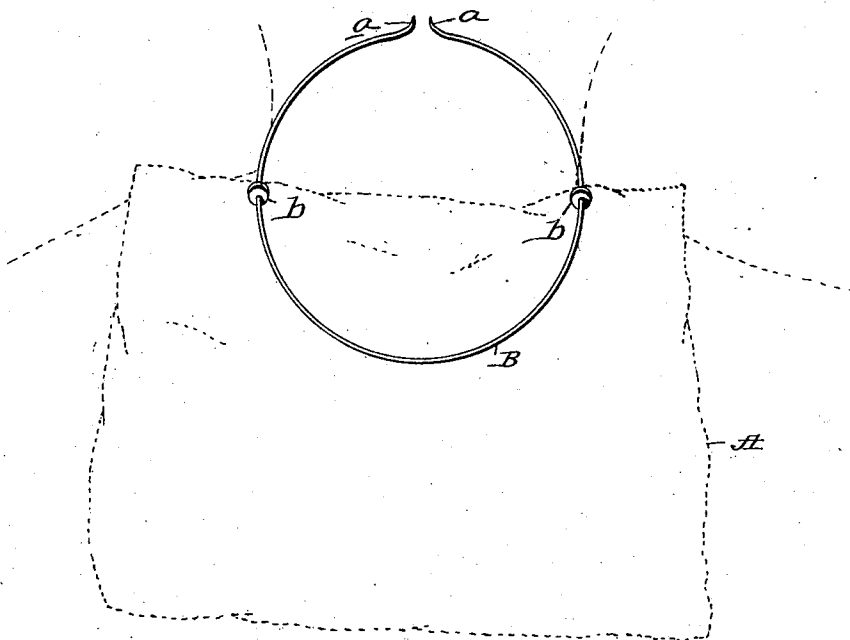
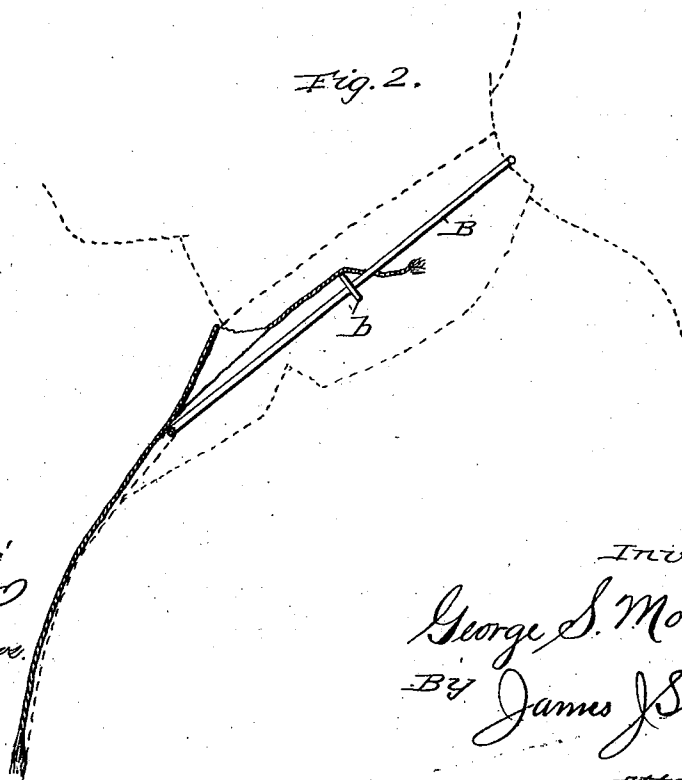


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. MOCK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lebanon, in the county of Marion and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Napkin-Holders; and I do 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.

This invention has relation to an improvement in napkin or bib holders and adjusters, and it has for its object to provide at a minimum expense, a device, which may be conveniently placed around the neck of a user, and which will hold the bib or napkin connected therewith, snugly over the front and against the neck.

The invention will be fully understood from the following description and claim when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1, is a view of my improved device, in a position which it assumes when on the user, illustrating a napkin in dotted lines, and in an applied position. Fig. 2, is a sectional view taken diametrically through the device, and a napkin, and illustrating the same applied to the neck of a user.

Referring by letters to said drawings: A, indicates a napkin, and B, indicates my improved holder or adjuster.

In carrying out my invention, I take a piece of spring wire or other suitable material, and form points *a*, on the opposite ends thereof. I then provide stops upon the wire at suitable points in its length, as shown at *b*, said stops being illustrated as at diametrical opposite

points. I then bend the wire into an open ring, as shown, so as to adapt it to embrace the neck of the person using it. The wire having a sufficient spring, will naturally have a tendency to close, and consequently adjust itself to the neck.

In using the device, I take a napkin or bib, and pass the ends of the wire through the same, near opposite corners, until brought against the stops, as shown in the drawings, when such napkin will be secured to the holder. To place it upon the neck, it is simply necessary to take hold of the free ends of the wire, and draw them apart or separate them until the ring is placed around the neck, when the resiliency of the wire will cause the ring to close and the napkin will be suspended over the front of the user, and close to the neck. Instead of forming the stops as I have shown them, I may form a bend or kink in the wire or suitable stops may be formed in any convenient way, whether integral with the wire or from separate parts.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

The improved bib and napkin holder described, comprising a piece of spring wire or the like, bent into an open ring, and having its opposite ends pointed, and provided with stops upon both branches at a suitable point in their length substantially as specified.

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

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