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 VEIL HOLDER.
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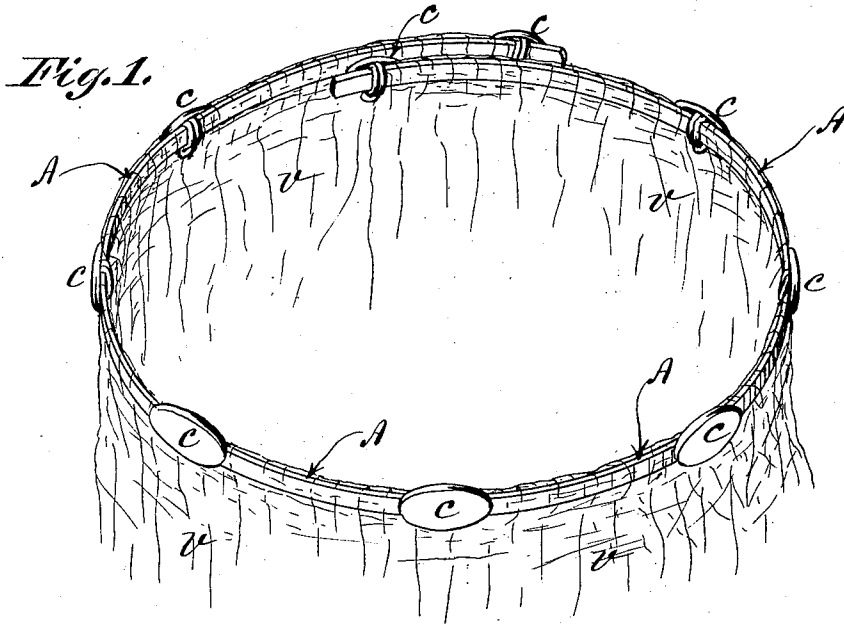


Fig. 3.

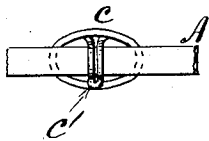


Fig. 2.



Fig. 4.

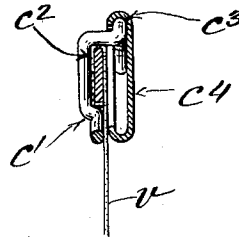
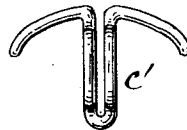


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SARAH E. BALLARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at the borough of Manhattan, city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Veil-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to clamps for holding a veil to a band for use in supporting veils on hats and similar headgear and the novelty resides in the peculiar construction of the clamp, as will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a perspective view illustrating in a general way the use and construction of my improved veil holding device; Fig. 2, is a detail front view of one of the veil clasps and adjacent parts; Fig. 3, a rear elevation of the parts shown in Fig. 2; Fig. 4, a sectional view upon an enlarged scale; Fig. 5, a detail of the spring jaw shown in Fig. 4.

The circlet A, consists preferably of a flat strip of elastic resilient sheet metal, such as a strip of steel of suitable width, shaped and tempered in any well known manner, and of sufficient length to admit of the overlapping of the ends of the loop when not in use on a hat, so as to afford an ample margin for adjustment to hats of various sizes and shapes. Combined with this circlet A, are a series of veil clamps *c*, each provided with a spring jaw *c'*, formed with a veil receiving recess *c''*, as clearly shown in Fig. 4, whereby the veil *v*, is clamped firmly and positively upon the encircling loop A. In other words each spring jaw straddles the inner side of the circlet, thereby pinching the veil to the edges of the circlet. The veil clamps *c* each have the spring jaws *c'*, each with a veil-recess *c''*. A preferable way,

on account of its cheapness and adaptability to decorative purposes, is to form each spring jaw *c'*, of a blank of elastic resilient spring wire doubled upon itself as shown in Fig. 5, the ends being sprung into a groove *c''*, formed for their reception in a drawn sheet metal base plate *c'*, in a manner well known in the art and readily understood by reference to Figs. 4 and 5.

A suitable number of spring clamps *c* are provided upon each circlet A, to properly space and support the inner edge of the veil thereon; and as the said veil-recessed clasps may be embellished externally in any manner desired, the veil holder as a whole may be rendered very ornamental and attractive in appearance,—producing the effect of a diadem to enhance the appearance and attractiveness of the hat or other head gear to which it may be applied,—or to form a wreath or chaplet for a ceremonial veil to be worn directly upon the head. It is also especially adapted to the requirements of what are known as “automobile” veils which are liable to be subjected to exceptional strain during use.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is,

A clamp for the purpose described comprising a strip of spring material doubled upon itself to form a spring jaw, said jaw having a band receiving recess, the ends of said spring material being outturned, and a hollow base plate one wall of which forms the other jaw of said clamp, and in which the ends of the said spring material are resiliently held and protected.

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