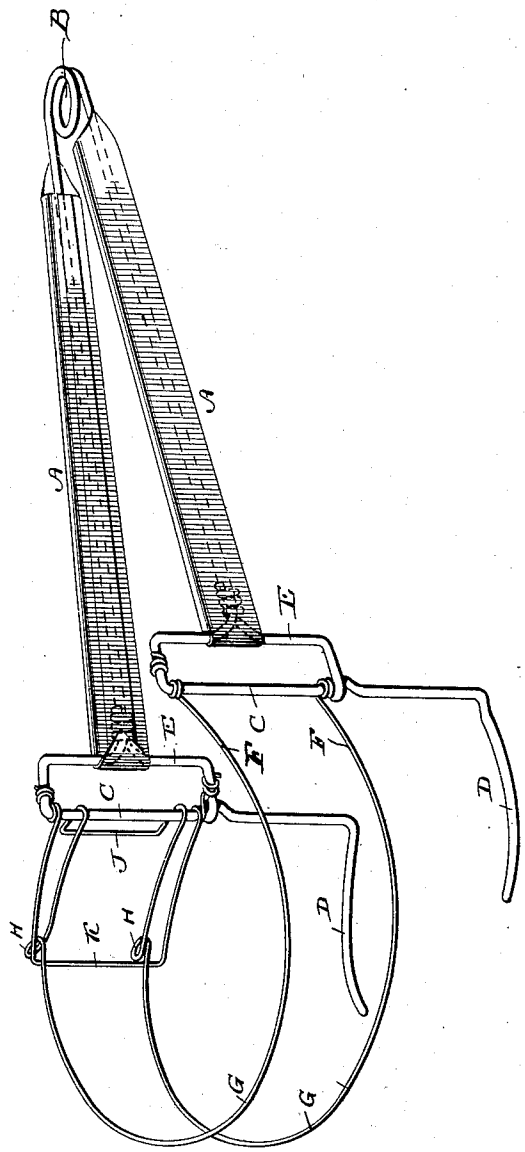
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRED E. NORMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Can-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in can-holders; and the object of my improvement is to provide a method of safely and conveniently holding and carrying hot cans or jars. I attain this object by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawing, which is a detailed view in perspective of my invention and is described as follows:

In the drawing, A designates the handles, through which is passed the large wire bent to have the spring B formed near the outer end of the handles and each of its other ends bent to form a portion of the rectangular frames C and finally terminating in the can-supporting springs or terminals D, the right-angled arms E of the frames being made from a separate piece of wire and used for a steadying-support for the terminals. Having its ends secured to one of the frames is the wire F, bent to form the loops G and the two sharp bends or projections H, the main loops G terminating in the catch or bent end J, which is adapted to engage the other frame or the bail K, carried by the other frame. The bends H are also adapted to catch said bail, thus allowing three adjustments for different-diametered cans to be employed—that is, one when the end J engages the frame C, the second when the bends H engage the bail K, and the third when the end J engages the bail K. It will thus be seen that this utensil may be used in handling all sizes of fruit-jars commonly employed and that it is simple and cheaply made and an efficient household article.

I am aware that other devices for the handling of hot dishes and other household receptacles have been invented made of wire and bent in different ways, and I do not claim broadly; but

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

1. A can-holder, comprising a pair of handles, a single wire connecting said handles and provided with a spring at the connection, a large loop connected to said wire provided with catches, and a bail also carried by the wire to be engaged by said catches.

2. A can-holder, comprising a single piece of wire having a spring in its center, and frames and downwardly-projecting arms at its terminals, handles mounted upon said wire between the spring and frames, a loop carried by one frame provided with catches, and a bail carried by the other frame to be engaged by said loop.

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