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Fig. 1.

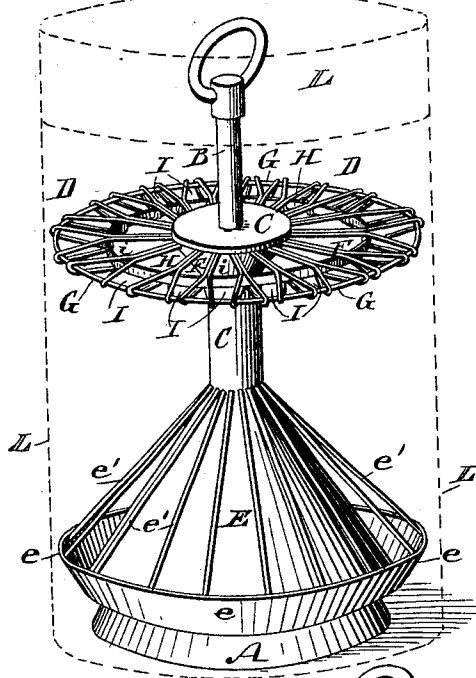
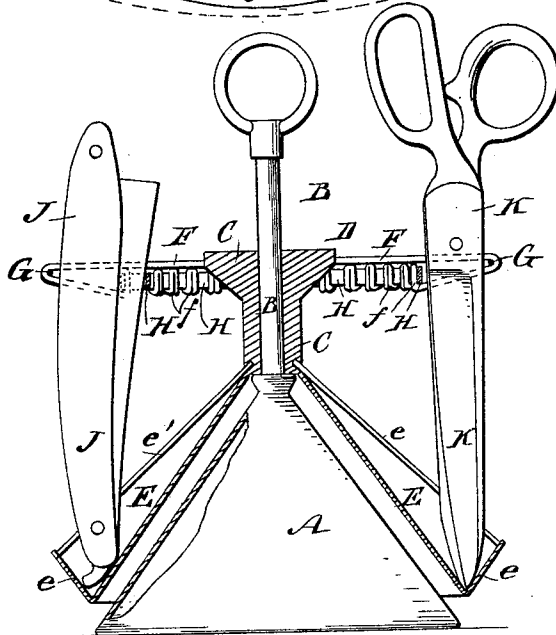


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN BYRON PARKER, of Wardner, in the county of Shoshone and Territory of Idaho, have invented a new and Improved Razor-Caster, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a caster or case for holding a barber's outfit of razors and shears conveniently at hand for use, and has for its object to provide a simple, inexpensive, and efficient device of this character.

The invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts of the razor caster or case, all as hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved razor caster or case, and shows also in dotted lines a sheet-metal box in which the device may be placed for transportation or storage; and Fig. 2 is a central vertical sectional elevation of the caster, showing a razor and shears held therein.

A conically-shaped base, A, which is preferably made hollow to secure lightness, is provided at its top with a suitable plug, internally threaded to receive the lower threaded end of a spindle or shaft, B, which passes loosely through a central hub, C, which carries the razor and shears holding frame D and their lower support, E, as presently described.

The frame D comprises a series of radial wires, F, a marginal wire or ring, G, and an elastic band, H. The wires F are each bent double, and their end parts, which lie closely together, are fitted into the hub C, and at some little distance from the hub the two side parts of the wire diverge and are bent downward and inward, and at the bends inclose and clamp the marginal wire or ring G, and from this ring the two lower bent parts of the wires F converge and again meet at a point about below where the upper parts of the wires diverge, and the extreme inner parts, *f*, of the wires, which are preferably doubled closely together, are then bent upward to the main radial parts of the wires; but before this last

upward bend of the wires is completed the rubber or elastic band H is slipped inside of the inner parts, *f*, of the wires, which thus confine the band H in the loops formed by the bends of the wires. The spaces I, thus formed between adjacent diverging outer parts of the wires F and the marginal wire G and elastic band H, form openings into which a razor, J, or shears, K, may be slipped, and as the distance between the wire G and band H is narrower than the width of a closed razor the elastic band H will be stretched and forced inward into loop form by a razor passed into one of the openings I, and whereby the band will exert a tension or pressure on the razor to hold its blade securely closed, as will be understood from Fig. 2 of the drawings. The shears K may be slipped point downward either through an opening, I, or through a space, *i*, behind it and between the elastic band H and the hub C of the device, or the shears may be passed between the two diverging outer angular parts of the wires F and the wire or ring G and band H. In Fig. 2 of the drawings the shears are shown passed into one of the openings I, more particularly designed for holding razors in closed condition.

Both the razors and the shears rest at their lower ends on the support E, which consists, preferably, of a close conical sheet-metal structure fastened at its upper end to the hub C and provided at its lower margin with an upturned flange, *e*, which is braced at its upper edge to the hub C by a series of wires, *e'*, which also serve as partitions to hold or space apart the razors or shears held by the device.

It is obvious that with the above-described caster or holder a barber's entire outfit of razors and shears may be held conveniently at hand, and easily accessible by simply turning the hub C and attached frame D and support E on the spindle B, and when the caster is out of use or during transportation it may be packed snugly in a sheet-metal case, L, (indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 1 of the drawings,) and this case will hold the caster with all the razors and shears held by it, as will readily be understood.

Having thus described my invention, what I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, in a razor caster or case, of a base provided with a spindle, a hub fitted for rotation on said spindle, a frame fixed to the hub and having openings adapted to receive closed razors and provided with an elastic band exerting pressure on the razors to hold them closed, and a lower support for the razors, also fixed to the hub, substantially as herein set forth.

2. The combination, in a razor caster or case, of a base, A, a spindle, B, thereon, a hub, C, loose on the spindle, a frame, D, comprising wires F fixed to the hub, a marginal wire, G, held to the wires F, and said wires F arranged to form openings I between them and vertical parts *f*, an elastic band, H, confined by the parts *f*, and a lower support held to the hub C and adapted to hold the ends of the razors or shears held in the frame D, substantially as herein set forth.

3. The combination, in a razor caster or case, of a base, A, a spindle, B, thereon, a hub, C, on the spindle, a frame, D, comprising wires F fixed to the hub, a marginal wire, G,

held to the wires F, and said wires F arranged to form openings I between them and vertical parts *f*, an elastic band, H, confined by the parts *f*, and a lower support comprising a structure, E, having a flange, *e*, and held to the hub C, and stay-wires *e'*, connecting the parts *e* C, substantially as described, for the purposes set forth.

4. In a razor caster or case, the upper support for razors or shears, comprising a frame, D, made with radial wires F, fixed to a central hub and forming openings I between them, a marginal wire, G, clamped by the bends of the wires F, and said wires formed with vertical parts *f*, and an elastic band, H, confined by the parts *f*, substantially as herein set forth.

5. In a razor caster or case, the lower support for razors or shears, comprising a conical structure, E, fixed to a central hub and provided with a flange, *e*, and stay and partition wires *e'*, connecting said flange and hub, substantially as herein set forth.

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