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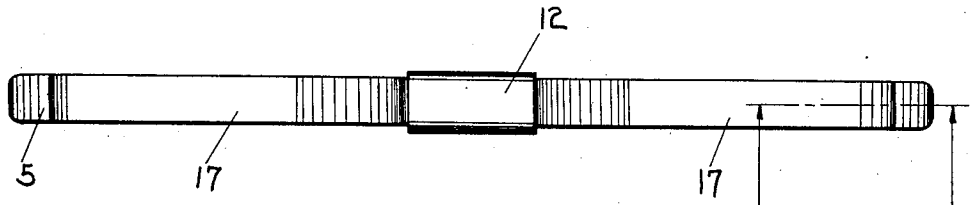


FIG. 1.

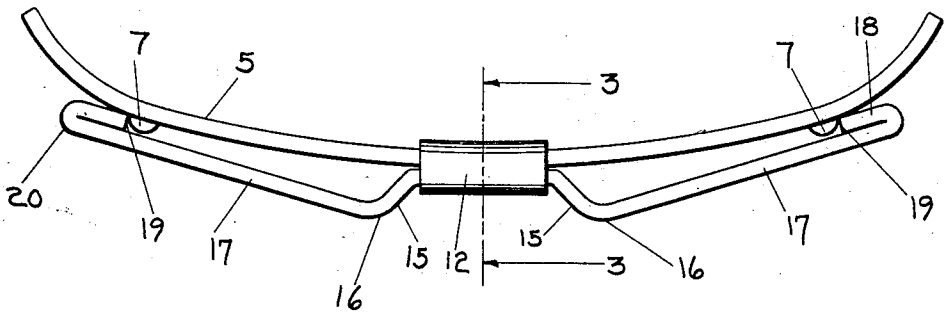


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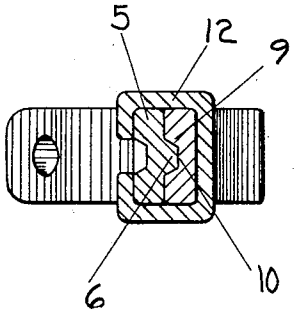


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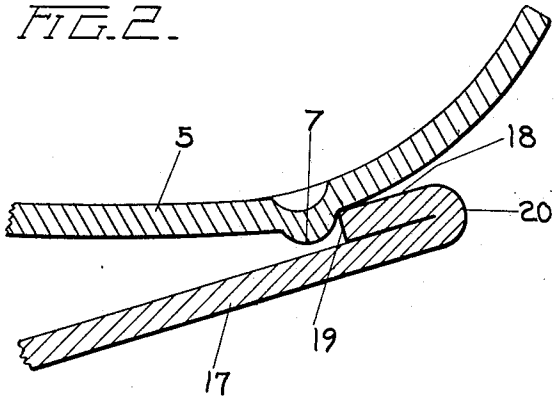


FIG. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED D. CROSBY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Attleboro, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Collar-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to holders for the flaps of soft collars and the like.

The essential objects of my invention are to provide means for efficiently fastening together the front and back members, and improved means for gripping the article to be held, and without injury to the fabric engaged.

My invention consists in the features and combinations hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings wherein like reference characters indicate like parts throughout the views—

Figures 1 and 2, are a front elevation and a plan respectively of a holder embodying my invention,

Fig. 3, a section on line 3—3 of Fig. 2, and

Fig. 4, a section on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

As illustrated the holder comprises a back plate 5 of oblong form and having curved end portions. In the center of this plate is a projection 6 and near each end is a knob 7. Attached to the front of this plate is another member constructed in detail as follows. A flat rod of resilient material has a substantially straight or unbent central portion 9 resting against the back plate provided with a central cavity 10 into which fits the projection 6. A band 12 embraces the ports 5 and 9 and coöperates with the projection and cavity to hold the parts interlocked against relative movement.

At each end of the portion 9 the rod is bent to form an angular arm comprising a forwardly extending outwardly inclined portion 15, an angular bend 16 and a rearwardly inclined straight portion 17. Each extremity of the rod is closely folded rearwardly against the back face of the portion 17 forming a lap 18 whose terminal edge 19 abuts against or extends adjacent to the knob 7 of the back plate. It will be observed that the closed lap 18 forms a rounded surface 20 that assists in the induction of a collar flap.

The operation of my device is understood by those familiar with the art. In applying my structure the fabric flap passes intermediate the lap end 19 and the knob 7 and over the latter, the arm portion 17 yielding to permit such insertion. The lap and knot coöperate to maintain the inserted flap against accidental withdrawal. The angular character of the portions 15 and 17 of the resilient arms impart a firmness to the arm structures absent in arch construction and assists the knob and laps in their operation.

I claim:—

In a collar holder, a rod comprising an unbent central portion, resilient arms on the ends of the central portion provided with bends, a back plate having its central portion engaging the central portion of the rod, one central portion being provided with a cavity, a projection on the other central portion registering in the cavity, and a member embracing both central portions.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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