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Fig. 1.

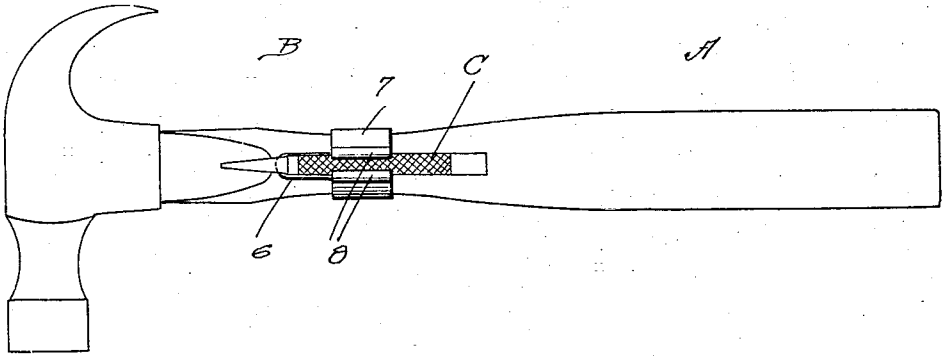
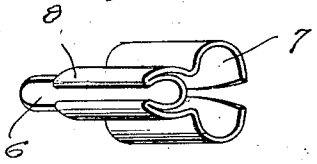


Fig. 2.



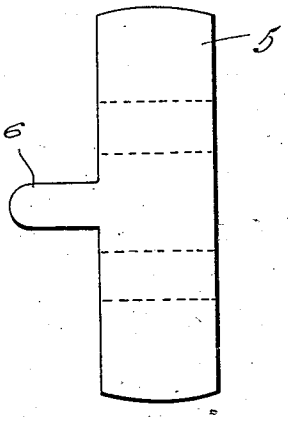


Fig. 3.

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This invention relates to a holder for nail punches, and has for its primary object to provide an article of this character that may be rigidly attached to the handle of a hammer so that the nail punch may be disposed in association therewith, with the end in view that said nail punch will always be at hand.

The invention further aims to provide a holder of this character that consists of a single structural element formed from a length of sheet metal that is bent to provide a pair of clasp members, one for snug engagement with the handle of the hammer, while the other is constructed for receiving the nail punch.

A further object is to provide a holder of this kind that may be associated with various shapes of hammer handles and this without any liability of the holder becoming displaced therefrom.

With the foregoing and other objects in view as the nature of the invention will be better understood, the same comprises the novel form of nail punch holder hereinafter more fully described, shown in the accompanying drawing and claimed.

In the drawing wherein like reference characters indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a conventional hammer equipped with a nail punch holder constructed in accordance with the present invention, a conventional type of nail punch being shown as disposed within the holder.

Figure 2 is a perspective of the holder per se, and

Figure 3 is a plan view of the sheet metal blank from which the holder is constructed.

Now having particular reference to the drawing wherein there is disclosed the most preferred embodiment of the invention with which I am at this time familiar, 5 indicates a length of sheet metal provided at one longitudinal edge and intermediate the ends thereof with a narrow tongue 6. In actual practice this length of sheet metal is so bent upon itself as to provide a generally oval shape double and spaced jaw clasp 7 for snug fit upon the handle A of a hammer B, see Figure 1. Intermediate the ends of the strip of material, the blank is so formed as to provide a horse shoe shaped clasp 8, the back wall of which is contiguous with the tongue 6 of said blank. The tongue is rounded to conform to the curvature of the back wall of said clasp as indicated in Figure 2. As disclosed in Figure 1 a nail punch C of conventional design is adapted to be forced into the clasp 9 while said tongue forms a continuation thereof to provide an additional support for the nail punch.

It will thus be seen that I have provided a highly novel, simple, and efficient holder for nail punches that is well adapted for all the purposes heretofore designated and even though I have herein shown and described the invention as consisting of a certain detail formation of a metallic blank resulting in the provision of the holder it is nevertheless to be understood that some changes may be made therein without affecting the spirit and scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

In a nail punch holder for hammers, a single length of sheet metal bent upon itself to provide a double jaw clasp for engagement upon the handle of the hammer, a nail punch clasp at the side of said first mentioned clasp formed by further bending the length of metal intermediate the jaws of said first mentioned clasp, and a tongue at one longitudinal edge of the length of sheet metal intermediate the ends thereof having contiguous relation with the back wall of the nail punch holder clasp for increasing the length of supporting surface for said nail punch.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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