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Fig. 1.

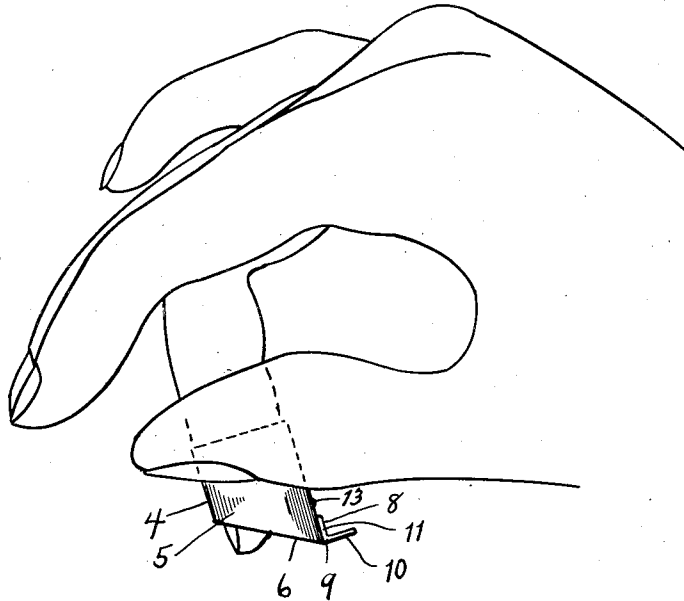


Fig. 2.

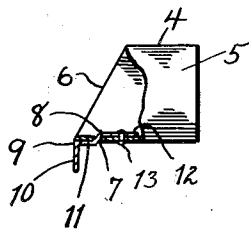
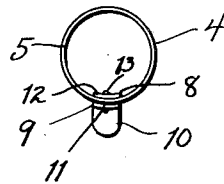


Fig. 3.



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My invention relates to new and useful improvements in a finger attachment, and has for its primary object to provide an exceedingly simple and effective device of this character to be worn upon the user's finger to assist said user in picking up washed dishes from a dish washing machine.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character in the form of a metal sleeve carrying a pick of unique construction, whereby it may be readily inserted between two dishes of a stack, or beneath the lowermost dish, to give an initial lift to the stack of dishes, and allow the ready insertion of a person's fingers beneath the lifted dishes, so that a hold may be obtained thereon.

A further object of my invention is to provide a finger attachment in the form of a metal sleeve to be worn upon the third finger of the user's hand, said sleeve having a pick attached thereto in a novel manner.

A still further object of my invention is to provide, as an article of manufacture, a finger attachment comprising a sleeve having a beveled end and provided with a slot in the longer side thereof and a pick including a prong and a shank, the latter having portions in two different planes and passing through the slot in the sleeve, so that one portion of said shank is on the inside of the sleeve, and the other portion on the outside thereof.

With these and other ends in view, this invention consists in the details of construction and combination of elements hereinafter set forth and then specifically designated by the claims.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains, may understand how to make and use the same, I will describe its construction in detail, referring by numerals to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this application, in which:

Fig. 1, is a side elevation of the right hand of a person having a finger attachment embodying my invention applied to the third finger.

Fig. 2, is a side elevation of the finger attachment per se, with a portion broken away and shown in section to illustrate details of construction.

Fig. 3 is an end view thereof.

In carrying out my invention as herein embodied, 4 represents my improved finger

attachment comprising metal sleeve 5, open at both ends and having one of said ends beveled, as at 6. In the longer side of this sleeve, preferably adjacent the outer end is formed a slot 7, through which the shank 8 of pick 9 is projected; said pick in addition to the shank including a prong 10. The shank has two parts 11 and 12 in different parallel planes, produced by bending the shank so that one part is out of alignment with the other part. The part 12 lies within the sleeve 5 and contacts with the inner surface thereof, while the part 11 lies on the outside of the sleeve and contacts with its outer face. The pick is held in place by suitable fastening means 13, such as a rivet, passing through the part 12 of its shank and through a wall of the sleeve.

In actual practice, the device is placed upon the user's finger, preferably the third one, and is always ready for use without interfering with the user's duties. When it is desirable to lift one or more dishes from the object on which they are resting, such as the platen of a dish washing machine, it is only necessary to project the prong of the pick beneath a dish, after which a slight twist of the hand will lift the dish to permit insertion of the fingers therebeneath. As soon as this has been done, the dish or dishes may be gripped by one or both hands, and conveyed to the desired point of disposal. This device is particularly adapted for use by selectormen in removing washed dishes from a dish washing machine, where the dishes are generally in an inverted position.

Of course I do not wish to be limited to the exact details of construction as herein shown as these may be varied within the limits of the appended claims without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is:

1. A finger attachment comprising a metal sleeve having a beveled outer end and adapted to be placed upon a user's finger, and a pick secured to the longer side of the sleeve with its prong projecting substantially at right angles to the wall of the sleeve on which it is mounted.

2. In a device of the character stated, a metal sleeve having a slot in one of the walls thereof, a pick including a shank and prong, said shank being projected through the slot in the sleeve so that a portion lies

on the outside, and another portion on the inside of said sleeve, and means to secure the pick to the sleeve.

3. As an article of manufacture, a finger
5 attachment including a sleeve open at both ends and having its outer end beveled and further provided with a slot in the longer side adjacent the outer end, a pick consisting
10 of a shank having two parts in different parallel planes and provided with a prong substantially at right angles thereto, a por-

tion of said shank being projected through the slot so that the inner end lies against the inner surface of the sleeve, and the outer end against the outer surface of the sleeve 15 with the prong projecting outwardly, and a rivet passing through a wall of the sleeve and through the inner end of the pick shank to secure said pick in place.

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