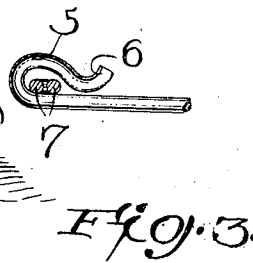
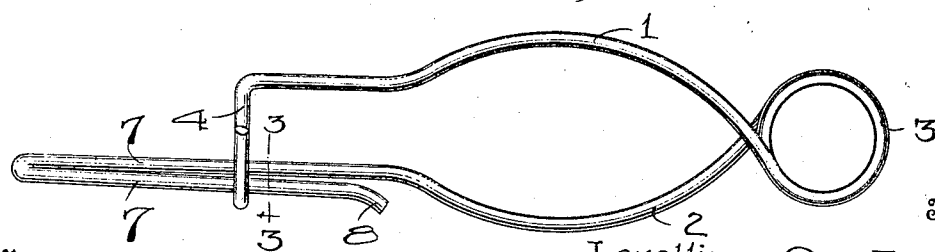
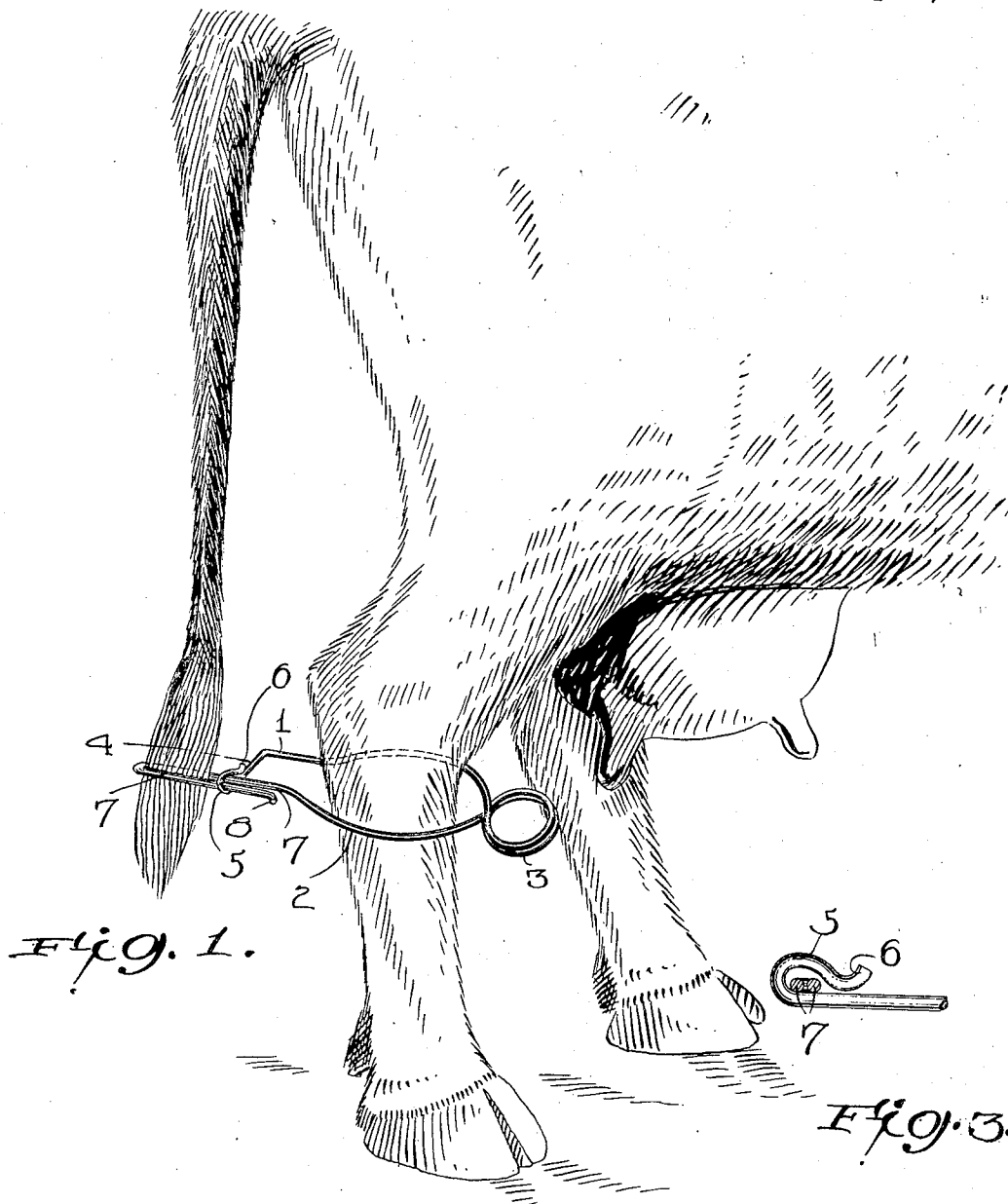


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEUELLIN O. JUNKIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Starkville, in the county of Oktibbeha and State of Mississippi, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cow-Tail Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to cow tail holders, and has for its object the production of a cheap and durable holder of the class described which is so formed as to be entirely out of the way when in use.

15 Another object of this invention is the production of a cow tail holder formed from a single strand of wire, and is so constructed as to not annoy the animal when in use.

20 With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in general of certain novel details of construction and combinations of parts as will be hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and specifically claimed.

25 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the tail holder when in use. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the device. Fig. 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 1 looking in the direction of the ar-

30 row.
By referring to the accompanying drawings by numerals, it will be seen that this device consists of a pair of bowed arms 1 and 2 which are connected at their inner ends by the coil spring 3. The arm 1 extends in the same direction as the arm 2, and is provided near its outer end with the laterally bent portion 4 which terminates in the retaining hook 5, said retaining hook 5 being provided with the upturned tip 6. The arm 2 extends a considerable distance beyond the bent portion 4, and terminates in the two parallel spring arms 7, one of the spring arms 7 being provided with the out-turned portion 8.

It will be seen by use of the retaining loop, a double locking means is formed since the coil spring 3 will normally hold the arm 2 within the retaining loop 5, but should

the coil spring 3 weaken, the retaining loop 5 will hold the spring arm 7 independently of said spring.

When in use the device is placed upon a hind leg of a cow, and the tail of the cow is then slipped within the out-turned portion 8 and back between the two spring arms 7. These spring arms 7 will grip the lower portion of the tail and securely hold the same. The arm 2 will then be placed in the retaining loop 5 by means of the upturned tip 6. In this manner a tail holder has been produced which is constructed of a single piece of wire which is so formed as to produce a cheap and efficient means for securely holding the tail, and preventing the cow from switching the same.

There has thus been described a simple and efficient device of the character described, and for the purpose specified.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:—

A cow tail holder of the class described comprising a pair of bowed arms, a coil spring carried by the inner end of said bowed arms, one of said bowed arms terminating in a bent portion, said bent portion terminating in a retaining loop provided with an upturned tip, the other of said bowed arms extending for a considerable distance beyond said bent portion of said first mentioned arm and terminating in a pair of parallel spring arms, one of said spring arms terminating in an out-turned portion, whereby the tail of the cow may be easily inserted and secured by said spring arms, and said upturned tip acting as a guiding means for placing said spring arms within said loop, said retaining loop and said coil spring acting as a double securing means for preventing said tail holder from becoming accidentally removed.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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