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Fig. 1.

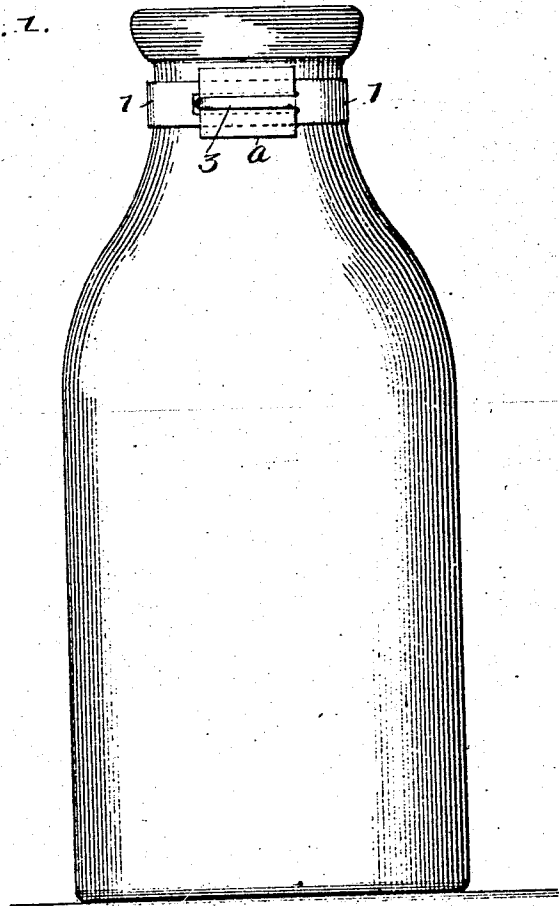


Fig. 2.

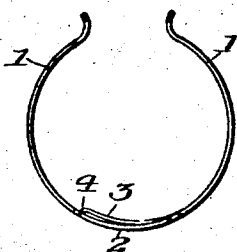


Fig. 3.

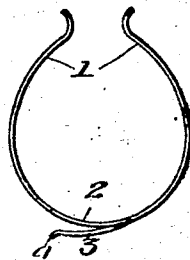
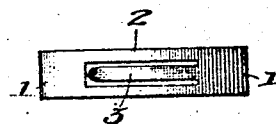


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN HETHERINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Benton Harbor, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ticket or Coin Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is the production of a simple, inexpensive device for releasably securing a coin, ticket, or other token, to the bottles or containers in which milk, cream, water, and the like are delivered to the consumer.

Heretofore it has been usual for the consumer to leave the ticket in or beside the bottle. When left lying beside the bottle the ticket is liable to be blown away, and when placed in a wet bottle difficulty is experienced by the milk-man in removing the ticket. Tickets thus left in a wet bottle are damaged and their period of usefulness shortened.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation of a milk bottle showing a device embodying my invention operatively applied thereto, and serving to secure a ticket to the bottle. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the device. Fig. 3 is a view of the device, showing the attaching clamp somewhat compressed to facilitate the engagement of the ticket with the ticket clamp. Fig. 4 is a side view of the device.

The device comprises a clamp adapted to be slipped over the neck of a bottle and secure the ticket clamp thereto. Said device is herein shown as consisting of a strip of spring sheet metal bent to form two arms 1

adapted to engage the bottle neck. From the middle or connecting portion 2 is cut a tongue 3 having an outwardly-turned free end 4 to assist in guiding a coin or ticket or token *a* into the space between said tongue and the connecting portion 2 of the device. The device thus constitutes a narrow band adapted to be readily sprung over the neck of a bottle, the ticket-engaging tongue 3 being cut from the middle portion of said band.

In use, the ticket or coin is engaged with the holder, and the holder slipped over the bottle neck. The insertion of the ticket beneath the tongue 3 is facilitated by pressing the arms 1 together, such movement of said arms withdrawing the middle or connecting portion 2 from the tongue 3, as shown in Fig. 3, thus widening the space between the tongue and said middle portion.

I claim as my invention:

As a new article of manufacture, a coin or token holder comprising a strip of spring sheet metal bent to form two arms to engage a bottle, and a connecting portion for said arms having a tongue cut therefrom, said tongue having an outwardly turned free end to assist in guiding a coin or token into the space between said tongue and the connecting portion, said tongue normally lying within the body portion, but adapted to stand out from the body portion when the arms are moved toward each other.

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