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Fig. 1.

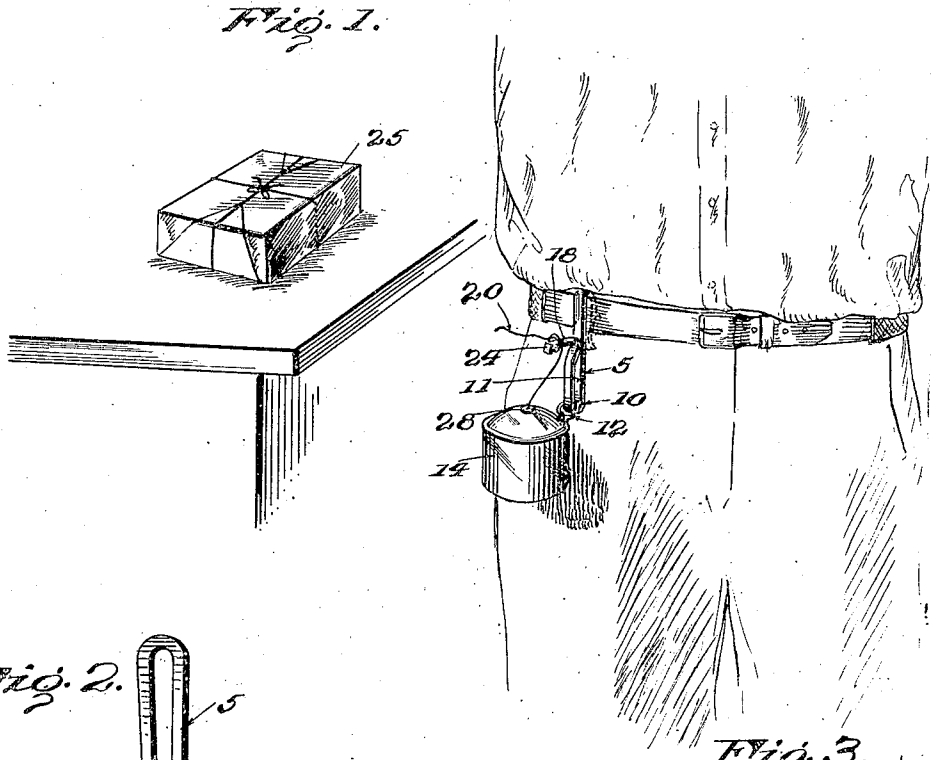


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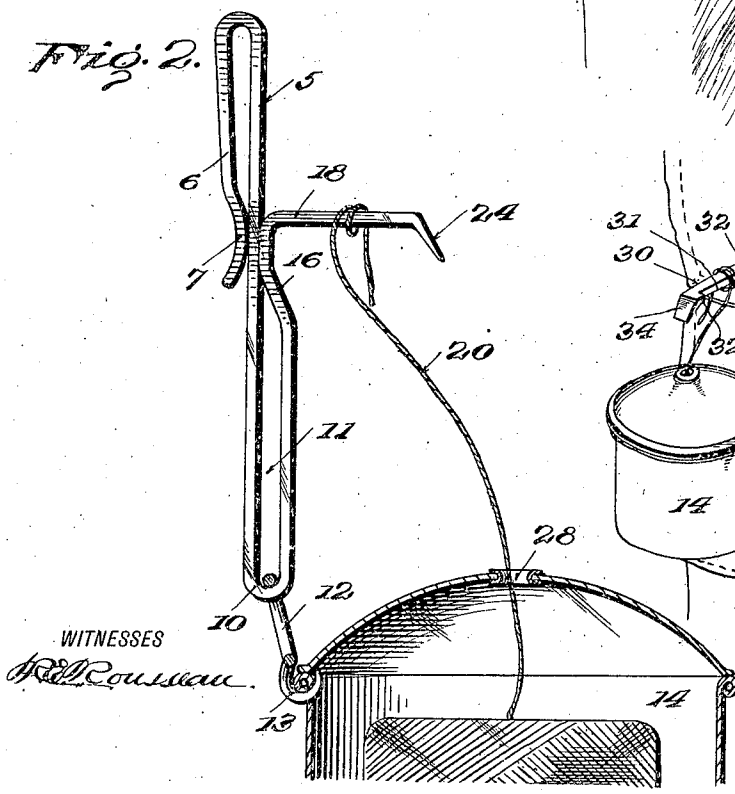
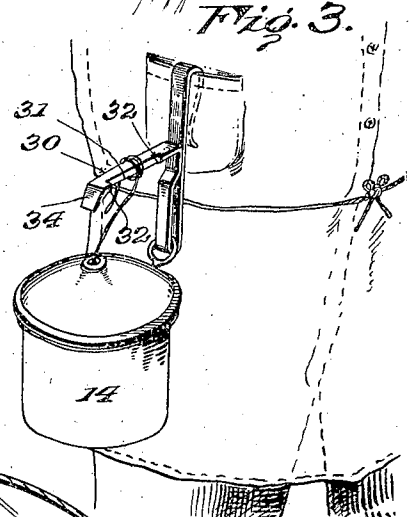


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARTIN E. GEROULD, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cord Holders and Cutters, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in supports for balls of twine and the like.

An important object is to provide a twine carrier having novel means whereby the same may be conveniently applied to one's clothing so as to be within convenient reach and so that the user will know exactly where to look for the twine when it is desired to wrap a bundle or the like.

A further object of the invention is to provide a twine carrier having simple means for folding the free end of the twine and for severing the twine either before or after the bundle is tied.

A further object of the invention is to provide a holder or carrier for a ball of twine which is simple, neat in appearance and cheap to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this application and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a perspective of the device in use.

Figure 2 is a side elevation of the same, the same being shown supporting a cord or twine receptacle.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary perspective view illustrating a slightly modified form of the invention.

In the drawing wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of the invention, the numeral 5 generally designates the improved carrier or support which is formed from a single length of spring metal having one end portion bent upon itself to define an elongated attaching strip 6 which may be secured to one's person in any desired manner. The terminal portions of the strip 8 is extended inwardly to contact with the body portion of the device as indicated at 7 so as to confine a belt or the like securely, though detachably, within the elongated loop formed by the clip and the adjacent portion of the length of spring metal. As illustrated in Fig. 2, the terminal portion 7 is extended outwardly away from the body of the device to form a gradually restricted entrance opening for a portion of the user's garment. The length of spring metal from which the device is formed is bent upon itself as indicated at 10 to define an elongated loop 11 which receives a link 12 having a bill 13 connected to a cord receptacle 14. The upper portion of the loop 11 is reduced by offsetting the adjacent portions of the length of spring metal as indicated at 16. By extending one side of the loop 11 to contact with the body of the length of metal, the upper end of the loop is detachably closed. However, by moving the loop or link 12 upwardly the same may be removed from the loop 11.

The terminal portion of the length of metal adjacent the loop 11 is extended laterally to form an arm 18 which forms a holding means for the terminal portion of the cord or twine 20. By connecting the cord or twine to the laterally projecting arm 18 in the manner herewith illustrated, the operator knows exactly where to look for the cord and may therefore readily and conveniently grab the cord to readily and conveniently wrap a bundle which for the purpose of illustration is deignated by the numeral 25.

The free terminal portion of the arm 18 is extended downwardly and is decreased in thickness so as to form a gradually reduced portion 24.

In the use of the invention the attaching clip may be readily and conveniently connected to one's person so as to support the ball of twine in the desired position. When it is desired to wrap a bundle or the like the cord may be pulled up through the opening 28 in the cover of the receptacle 14 and the bundle conveniently wrapped. The cord may be severed either before or after the tying operation by giving the same a quick jerk on the laterally projecting arm. The pointed terminal portion 24 may also be employed in the severing operation, since the same forms what might be termed a notch in which the cord is received when it is desired to sever the same. Also the downwardly projecting terminal portion 24 of the arm 18 prevents the cord from sliding off the arm 18 in the cutting operation.

In the modified form of the invention illustrated in Figure 3 the arm which is designated by the numeral 30 may be provided

along one longitudinal edge with a beveled cutting edge 31 with which the cord is adapted to be engaged. The shoulders 32 are formed at the ends of the bevel and form a means for holding the cord in engagement with the cutting edge. This form of the invention is also provided with the downwardly directed terminal portion 34.

The improved cord carrier may be attached to one's person, or to the pocket or in fact to any desired part of the clothing.

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

1. A cord holder and cutter formed from a single length of metal formed with spaced portions defining a loop and a laterally projecting arm about which the cord may be wound, one longitudinal edge of the arm being provided with a cutting-edge and the terminal portion of said arm being extended angularly, one end portion of said length of metal being bent upon itself to provide an attaching loop, whereby the holder and a carrier may be secured to one's person.

2. A cord holder and cutter formed from a single length of metal formed with spaced portions defining a loop and a laterally projecting arm about which the cord may be wound, one longitudinal edge of the arm being provided with a cutting edge and the terminal portion of said arm being extended angularly, one end portion of said length of metal being bent upon itself to provide an attaching loop, whereby the holder and a carrier may be secured to one's person, and means connected to said first named loop for supporting a carrier.

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