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KEY RING HOLDER.

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FIG. 1

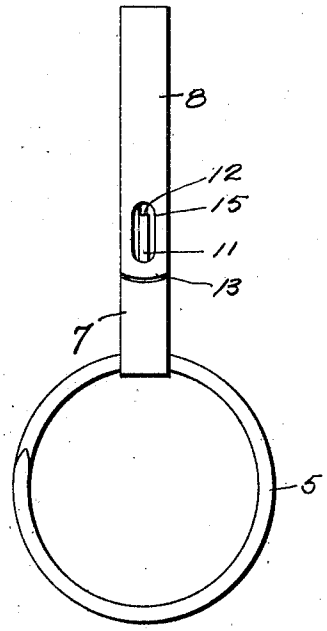


FIG. 2

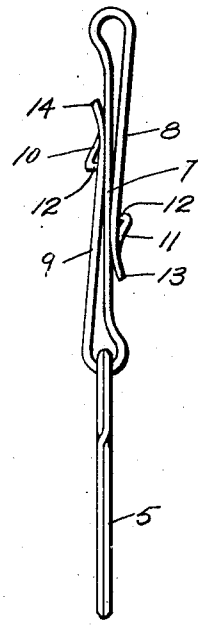


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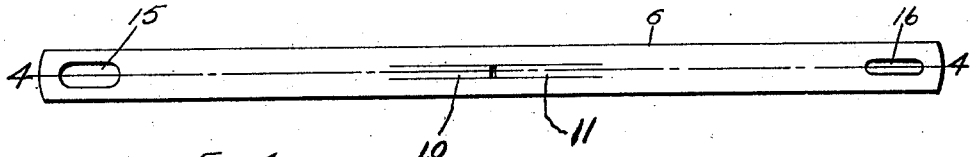
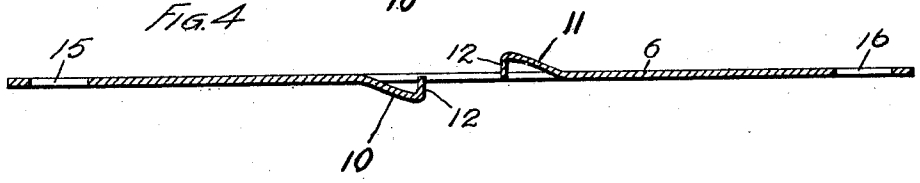


FIG. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK HACHMANN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of the city of St. Louis and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Key-Ring Holders, of which the following is a specification containing a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to improvements in key-ring holder, and has for its primary object a construction of a holder whereby the key ring is prevented from becoming accidentally detached and also the construction of a holder which may be carried in the pocket or the waist-band of the pants or to a belt.

In the drawings,

Fig. 1 is a side elevation of my improved holder with a ring secured thereto.

Fig. 2 an end view of the same.

Fig. 3 a plan view of the blank before it is formed into the holder.

Fig. 4 a longitudinal section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Referring to the drawings, 5 indicates a ring of any suitable construction. 6 indicates the blank before it is formed into the holder. Referring to the holder, 7 indicates a shank, the ends of which are doubled over to form spring loops 8 and 9. Formed in the shank 7 and stamped directly from said shank are shoulders 10 and 11. These shoulders are formed by punching out portions of the shank and then the free ends 12 of the punched out material are bent at right angles to the shank so as to form abrupt shoulders. Each of the loops 8 and 9 are provided respectively with outwardly turned ends 13 and 14 and the end 13 is provided with a slot or opening 15 and the end 14 is provided with a slot or opening 16. It will be noticed in this connection that the opening 15 is larger than the opening 16 so that when the holder is applied to the waist-band, the slot 15 is of sufficient size as to permit a portion of the band to be inserted through the opening or the slot. The shoulder 11 is adapted to be inserted in the slot 15 and the shoulder 10 is adapted to be inserted in the slot 16. The ring 5 may be applied to the holder by inserting the same under either of the upturned ends 13 or 14, and when it is desired to remove the ring, the same may be accomplished by lifting the end under which the ring has been inserted, so that the same will clear the shoulder formed on the shank. The right angular portions 12 form abrupt shoulders so that the ring cannot accidentally be displaced from the loops.

It will be noted that the shoulders incline outwardly from the shank which permits an easy insertion of the ring, that is to say, the shoulders have not only an abrupt right angular face but inclined faces.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim is:

1. A key-ring holder comprising a shank having its ends doubled over to form spring loops, the ends of said spring loops being turned outwardly and provided with slots, the slot in one loop being larger than the slot in the other loop, and shoulders stamped directly from the shank adapted to pass through said slots, said shoulders having opposed faces at right angles to said shank.

2. A key-ring holder comprising a shank having its ends doubled over to form spring loops, the ends of said spring loops being turned outwardly and provided with slots, shoulders stamped directly from the shank and adapted to be inserted through said slots, said shoulders having their opposing faces arranged parallel to each other.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification.

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