No. 885,282. PATENTED APR. 21, 1908.

A. D. PEEPLES.

ICE CARD HOLDER.

APPLICATION FILED OCT. 1, 1907.

Fig. 1

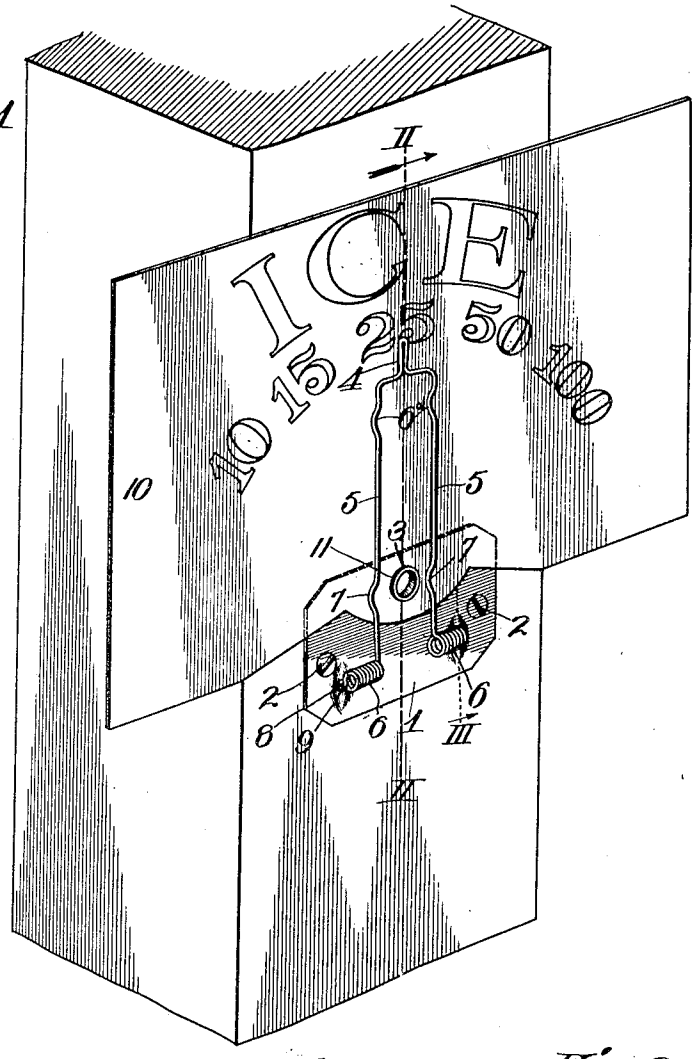


Fig. 2.

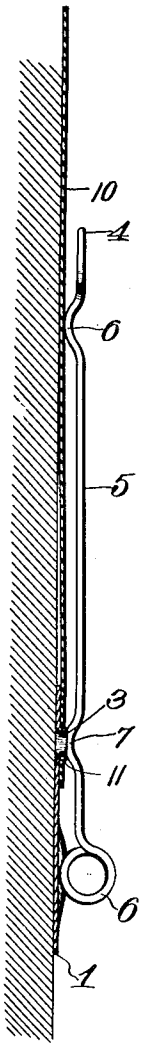
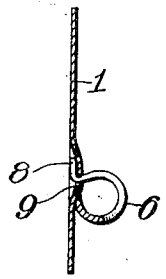


Fig. 3.



Witnesses

Frank R. Glore

H. C. Rodgers

Inventor

Anna D. Peeples

By George Y. Thorpe Atty

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

ANNA D. PEEPLES, OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.

ICE-CARD HOLDER.

No. 885,282. Specification of Letters Patent. Patented April 21, 1908.

Application filed October 1, 1907. Serial No. 395,398.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNA D. PEEPLES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ice-Card Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to ice card holders, and my object is to produce a device of this character whereby the housekeeper may indicate to the passing iceman that ice is desired and in what quantity, and thus avoid the annoyance of compelling the housekeeper to watch for the iceman to notify him how much ice is desired, or the necessity of the iceman entering to find out how much ice is desired.

A further object is to produce a simple, strong, durable and cheap device for the purpose outlined.

To these ends the invention consists in certain novel and peculiar features of construction and organization as hereinafter described and claimed; and in order that it may be fully understood reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1, is a perspective view of a portion of a post equipped with an ice card and holding device embodying my invention. Fig. 2, is an enlarged vertical section taken on the line II—II of Fig. 1. Fig. 3, is an enlarged vertical section taken on the dotted line III of Fig. 1.

In the said drawing, 1 indicates a plate secured by screws 2 or other fastening devices to a post or other part of a building, and said plate is provided with an outwardly projecting circular boss 3, disposed by preference about midway its length and above its horizontal center.

A piece of wire is preferably bent to form a finger 4 and parallel arms 5, terminating in spring coils 6, the arms 5 being preferably bent near the pointer, inward as at 6^a, and near the coils said arms are also bent inward as at 7. The wire frame thus constructed is fitted against plate 1 with its arms 5 upright and disposed at opposite sides of and equal distances from the boss 3, the coils 6 bearing against the lower portion of the plate and terminating in hooks 8 which extend upwardly through holes 9 in the plate to hold them securely to the latter, there being no chance of dislocation of the spring frame after the plate is screwed to the post or other support.

An ordinary ice card may be employed with this holder by slipping it between the spring frame above the coils and plate 1 and the post or support, the pressure of the projections 6^a and 7 holding the card in place. I prefer however, to use a card 10, provided with a hole 11 near its lower edge to fit pivotally on boss 3 and provided with numbers indicative of different weights of ice, arranged concentrically with respect to said hole, so that the card can be turned on the pivotal boss 3 until the index finger 4, of the spring frame points to the character representative of the number of pounds of ice which the housekeeper-desires so that there will be no necessity of waiting for the iceman or for the latter to go to the trouble of inquiring how much ice is desired.

The holder not only indicates on the card the number of pounds of ice desired but also holds said card reliably in place by having its projections 6^a press the card against the post and its projections 7 disposed contiguous to the card so as to prevent the latter becoming dislodged from the boss 3. The card is adjusted with respect to the index finger by simply grasping it and swinging it pivotally one way or the other.

From the above description it will be apparent that I have produced an ice card holder possessing the features of advantage enumerated as desirable and I wish it to be understood that except as required by the scope of the appended claims, I do not desire to be restricted to the exact details of construction shown and described as obvious modifications will occur to one skilled in the art.

Having thus described the invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

1. An ice card holder comprising a plate and a spring frame projecting beyond one edge or side of the plate and embodying a wire bent to form a pair of arms having bent portions 6^a, a finger 4 at one end of said arms and coil springs at the opposite ends of the arms; the spring-equipped ends of the arms being secured to the plate.

2. An ice card holder, comprising a plate having an outwardly projecting boss, a spring frame secured to the plate at one side

of the boss and projecting beyond the edge of the plate at the opposite side of the boss and adapted at its end beyond the plate to press against a card when the latter is pivoted on the boss.

3. The combination with a suitable support, of a plate secured thereto, and provided with an outwardly projecting boss near its upper edge, a spring frame comprising a pair of arms at opposite sides of the boss connected at their outer or free ends and terminating at the opposite ends in coils and attached at such ends to the plate, and a card having a hole to fit upon the boss between the plate and the spring frame and provided with numbers arranged concentrically with respect to said hole and adapted to register with the outer or free end of the spring frame.

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

ANNA D. PEEPLES.

Witnesses:

H. C. RODGERS,

G. Y. THORPE.