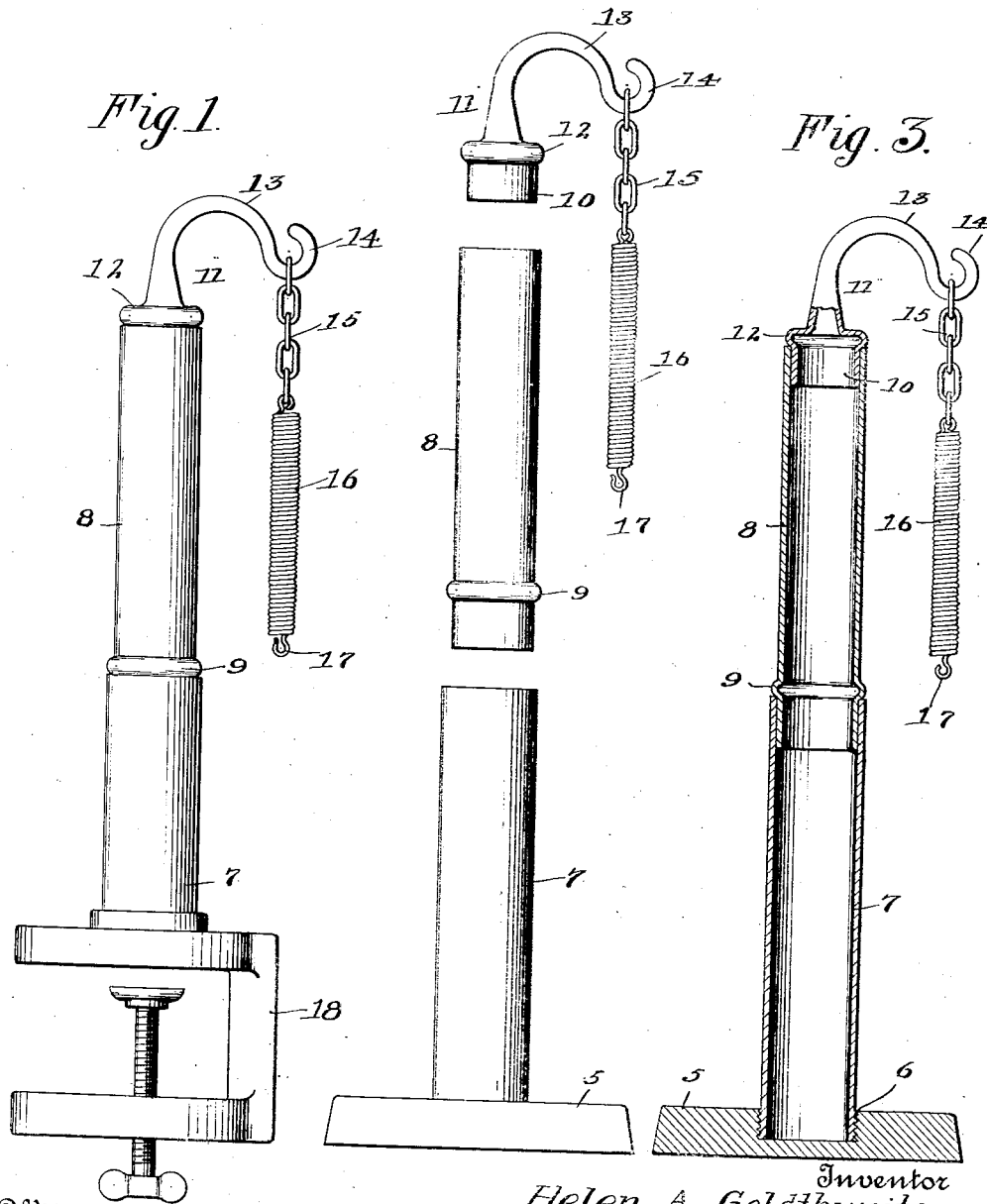


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Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HELEN A. GOLDTHWAITE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Saco, in the county of York and State of Maine, have invented new and useful Improvements in Conducting-Cord Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to electric fixtures, particularly to those of the portable type, and has for its object the provision of a device for holding the conducting cord leading to an electric flat iron and which is so constructed as to hold the cord away from the iron so that it cannot come into contact therewith while yet allowing sufficient freedom of movement to the cord to permit ready use of the iron without danger of upsetting the holding device.

An important object is the provision of a portable stand of this character, the parts of which may be quickly and easily disassembled for convenience in transportation or storage, and which may be quickly and easily set up for use, and clamped upon a table or other support.

A further object is the provision of a device of this character which will be simple and inexpensive in manufacture, highly efficient and durable in use, and a general improvement in the art.

With the above and other objects and advantages in view, the invention consists in the details of construction to be hereinafter more fully described and claimed, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the device ready for use,

Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the various parts disconnected and showing a modified form of the base, and

Fig. 3 is a sectional view through the complete assembled device showing a flat base.

Referring more particularly to the drawing, the numeral 5 designates a supporting base which is formed of suitable size and of heavy material and which is provided in its upper face with a central threaded opening within which is engaged the lower threaded end 6 of a tubular upright 7. Slidably engaged within the upright 7 is a tubular upright section 8 which is provided adjacent its lower portion with an annular bead 9 engaging upon the top of the section 7 for preventing the section 8 from being

slid too far into the section 7. Telescopically engaged within the top of the section 8 is the cylindrical portion 10 of a cap member 11 which is also provided with an annular bead 12 engaging upon the top of the section 8 for preventing the cap from being slipped too far into the section 8. Formed on the cap 11 is a downwardly curved arm 13 which terminates at its lower end in an upwardly directed hook 14 upon which is engaged one endmost link of a chain 15, to the other endmost link of which is secured a coil spring 16 terminating at its free end in a hook 17 upon which the conducting cord leading to a flat iron or other electrically operated device is engaged.

The parts are assembled as shown and described and the conducting cord engaged upon the hook 17. The device will then serve to hold the conducting cord in an elevated position so that it will be out of the way of the operator using the electric iron or other device and so that the cord cannot come into contact with the electrical device as so frequently happens when no support is provided for the cord and which often results in injury to the cord. The provision of the spring 16 is an important feature as it allows for limited movement of the cord in conformity with the movement of the electric iron during use thereof. The fact that the base 5 is comparatively large and heavy gives to the device a great degree of stability so that there is little likelihood of its becoming upset when tension is exerted upon the conducting cord engaged upon the hook 17. If desired, the base 5 may be screwed upon a table or ironing board.

In Fig. 1 I have shown the supporting base formed as a clamp 18 which may be quickly and easily engaged upon the edge of a table, shelf, or the like, this arrangement preventing any possible tipping over of the device.

When use of the device is not desired, it is readily apparent that the cap 11 may be removed from the tubular section 8 and the tubular section 8 disengaged from the section 7 whereupon the parts may be stored within any suitable receptacle and will occupy but little space.

From the foregoing description and a study of the drawings it will be apparent that I have thus provided an extremely simple device of the character described which will efficiently perform all of the

functions for which it is intended, which will be simple and inexpensive in manufacture though readily capable of a considerable degree of ornamentation so as to present a neat and pleasing appearance.

While I have shown and described the preferred embodiment of the invention, it will of course be readily understood that I reserve the right to make such changes in the form, construction and arrangement of parts as will not depart from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the subjoined claim.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:—

A conducting cord holder comprising a base having a clamping member formed thereon for engagement upon the edge of a

shelf or table, a tubular upright rising from said base, a second tubular upright telescopically engaged within said first named upright, a cap member detachably and telescopically engaged within the upper end of said second named tubular member, a laterally and downwardly curved arm formed integrally upon the top of said cap member and terminating in an upwardly directed hook, a chain having one endmost link engaged upon said hook, and a spring depending from said chain and having one end engaging within the other endmost link of said chain, the other end of said spring being formed as a hook adapted for detachable engagement with a conducting cord.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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