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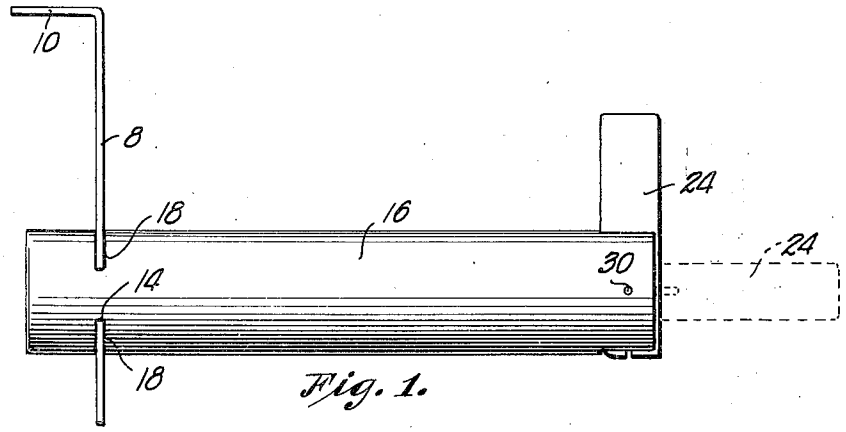


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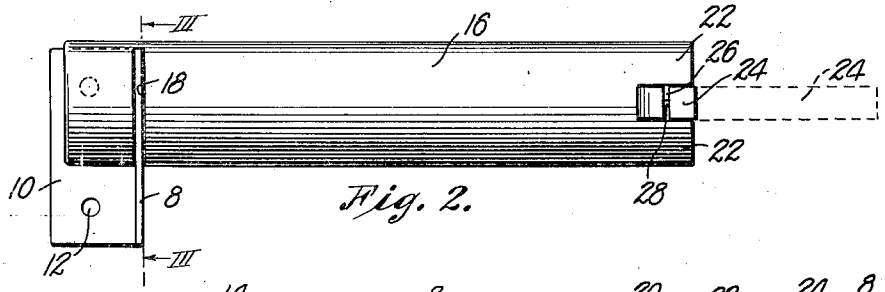


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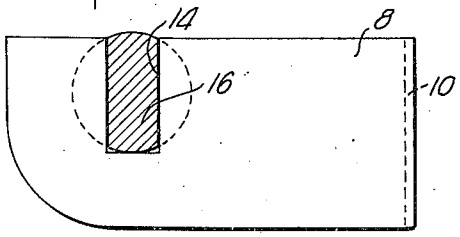


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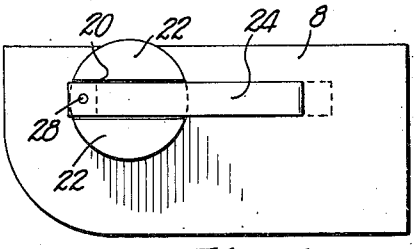


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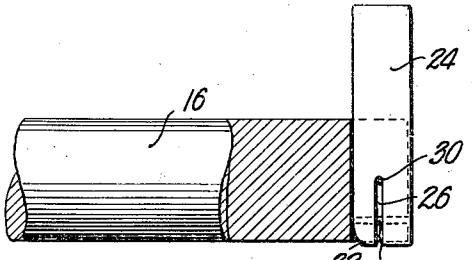


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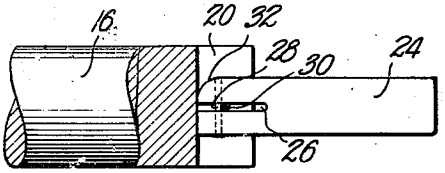


Fig. 6.

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1 Claim. (Cl. 242—55.2)

This invention relates to a holder particularly adapted to support rolled stock such as paper towels in the roll, wrapping paper, or toilet paper and, the primary object of the invention is the provision of an extremely simple rugged and durable holder that may be attached to a supporting element through the employment of but a single bracket.

A further object of the invention is to provide a rolled stock holder of the aforementioned character that has a spindle held at one end only by a specially formed rack, which spindle is provided at the other end thereof with a retaining element mounted upon the said spindle in a special manner so that the rolled stock is retained in position when the retaining member is in the operative relation thereto.

A further object of this invention is to provide a rolled stock holder which has a specially made spindle upon which is swingably mounted a retaining finger which is movable to a position at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the spindle from a position in longitudinal alignment therewith.

A large number of minor objects of the invention will appear during the course of the following specification referring to the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a top plan view of a rolled stock holder made to embody the present invention.

Fig. 2 is a front elevation thereof.

Fig. 3 is a vertical cross section through the same taken on line III—III of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is an end view of the holder.

Fig. 5 is a fragmentary side elevation of a portion of the spindle at one end thereof showing the retaining finger in the operative position, and

Fig. 6 is a similar view but with the retaining finger shown in the position where stock may be introduced to the spindle.

Heretofore, brackets or holders for rolled stock have usually required two brackets between which is positioned the roll of paper and each of which must be secured to the supporting surface such as the wall of a room. Through the employment of the holder embodying this invention, it is necessary to use but a single bracket and the relation between the single bracket and the spindle is such as to render the holding together thereof positive and rigid.

The preferred embodiment of the invention as illustrated, comprises a bracket **8** which is made up of a plate having a flange **10** disposed at right-angles to the main portion thereof at one end. This flange is perforated as at **12** to provide openings through which may pass screws or analogous fastening means to secure the holder in place. Bracket **8** is provided with a notch **14** which extends inwardly from the normal upper edge thereof, which notch presents opposed edges that engage spindle **16** in the unique manner.

Spindle **16** is an elongated cylindrical body having notches **18** formed therein adjacent to one end thereof. These notches **18** are in opposed relation as illustrated in Fig. 1 and the inner ends thereof are parallel and engage the sides of bracket **8** which form notch **14** as illustrated in Fig. 3. This relation just described is established between bracket **8** and spindle **16** when the parts are in the operative position.

The other end of spindle **16** has a longitudinally inwardly extended notch **20** formed therein that creates a bifurcated end that provides longitudinally extending parallel ears **22** between which is disposed the retaining finger **24** of a special nature. This retaining finger has a slot **26** provided therein that extends longitudinally and inwardly from one end thereof. This slot **26** is limited so far as effective length is concerned by a transverse pin **28** which serves to restrict the longitudinal movement of finger **24** with respect to cross pin **30** which extends across notch **20** from one ear **22** to the other. The thickness of retaining finger **24** is substantially the same as the distance between the inner faces of ears **22** and when cross pin **30** is at the innermost end of slot **26**, finger **24** cannot swing about said pin **30**. In this regard attention is drawn to Fig. 5, wherein is shown finger **24** in a position as shown in Fig. 1 so that any roll of paper which might be on spindle **16** cannot be removed therefrom.

When pin **30** is in the opposite end of slot **26**, finger **24** may swing thereabout to a position shown in Fig. 6 which is in longitudinal alignment with the axis of spindle **16**. When in this position, a tube or roll of paper may be introduced to or removed from spindle **16**. One corner of finger **24** is arched or rounded as at **32** so that the finger may swing about cross pin **30** in one direction. This arched portion **32** is concentric with the axis of cross pin **30** so that movement from the position shown in Fig. 5 to the position shown in Fig. 6 and back might be accomplished with ease. Obviously, before any swinging about pin **30** can occur, it is necessary to move retaining finger to position pin **30** in the end of slot **26** closest to the end of the finger.

Manifestly, from the foregoing, it will be plain to one skilled in the art that rolled stock holders embodying the invention might be made to pre-

sent appearances other than that illustrated and while the preferred embodiment has been shown and described, it is desired to be limited only by the scope of the appended claim.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is:

A holder of the kind described, comprising a bracket; a spindle secured at one end to the bracket and provided with a pair of longitudinally extending, parallel ears at the other end; a transverse pin in the ears extending across the space between said ears; and a retaining finger having a longitudinal slot formed therein adjacent to and spaced from one end thereof, said pin being extended through said slot, said finger being arched at one corner of said one end to permit its being oscillated about the transverse pin through an arc when the latter is at the outermost end of the slot, said finger being of a width substantially the same as the distance between the ears the other corner of said one end serving as a stop for the finger when the same is at one end of its path of travel and in longitudinal alignment with the spindle.

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