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EYEGGLASS CASE.

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Fig. 1.

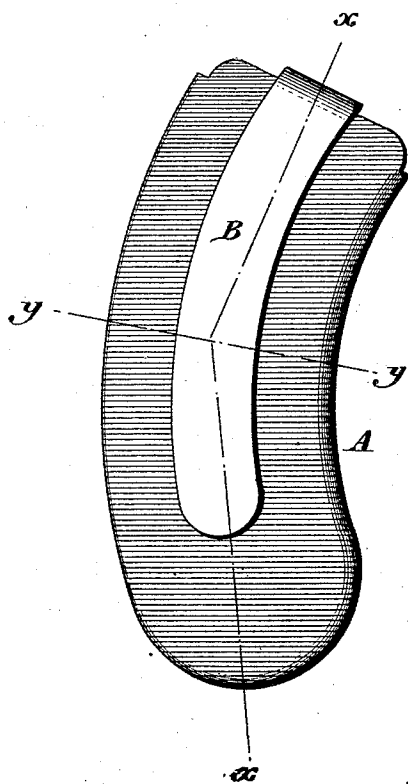


Fig. 2.

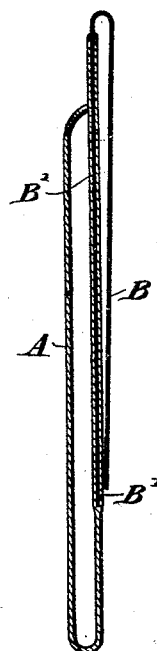
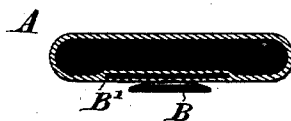


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN CASEY, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Eyeglass-Case Holders, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of an eyeglass-case provided with a holder adapted to engage with a pocket of a vest or other garment for firmly retaining said case in position, said holder being of the form of a spring-tongue and shank, the latter being embedded in the back of the holder, as will be hereinafter set forth.

Figure 1 represents a rear view of an eyeglass-case holder embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a longitudinal section on line *x x*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents a transverse section on line *y y*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the three figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates an eyeglass-case, which in general respects is of well-known construction.

B designates a tongue which depends on the outside of the case, and having a shank which is embedded within the rear wall of the case, said tongue being formed of spring metal or other elastic material and so bent as to close toward the rear wall of the case.

The operation is as follows: The case is presented to the pocket and the lower end of the tongue is opened, so that when the case is forced down the material of the front of the pocket is received between the tongue and case, and when the case is in position said tongue presses against the material, so that the same is clamped on opposite sides by the case and tongue, whereby the case is firmly retained in position. It will also be seen that

the case is sustained outside of the pocket, so that it is most accessible for the insertion and removal of an eyeglass.

As the holder is of the form of a spring-tongue which is provided with a shank and the latter is embedded in the back of the case, the tongue presses the fabric of the pocket against said shank as a rigid bearing-piece, and thus the holding action of the case on the vest-pocket is assured, as the back of the case does not yield, the front of the holder being flexible, as usual. The rigidity of the back also prevents the pressure of the tongue there-against from breaking the glass within the casing.

As the shank is embedded in the back of the case, the inner face of said back is left smooth and without obstruction to the entrance and removal of an eyeglass, and the outer face of said back is also left smooth, and presents the leather covering or facing to the front of the vest-pocket instead of metal, which may corrode and mark said pocket, it being noticed that the case is to be worn on the outside of said pocket.

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

An eyeglass-case formed of flexible material, in combination with a holder consisting of a spring-tongue and a shank, the latter being continuous of the tongue and embedded between the inner and the outer walls of the back of the casing, rendering said back rigid and presenting unbroken surfaces on the inner and outer walls thereof, substantially as described.

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