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Fig. 1

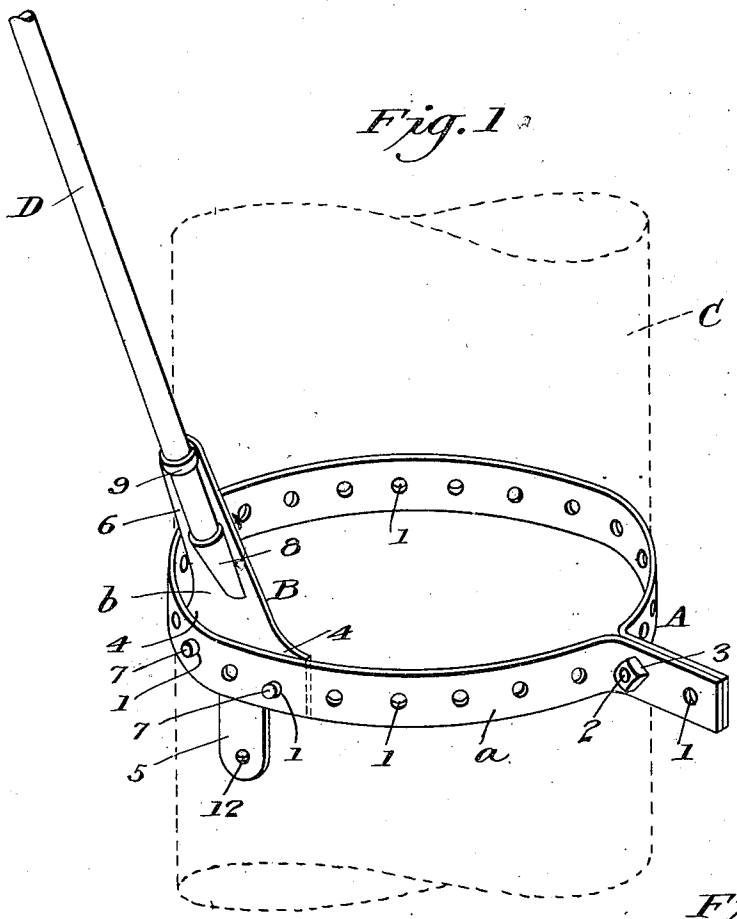



Fig. 4

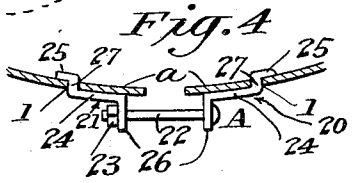
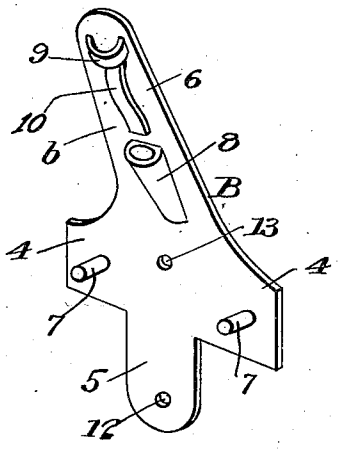



Fig. 2



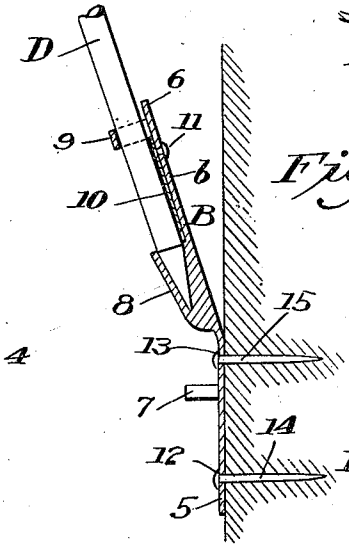




Fig. 3

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## FLAGPOLE HOLDER.

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This invention relates to supports, and more particularly to flagpole holders.

The general object of the invention is to provide a flagpole holder for holding one or more flagpoles in different positions, which may be clamped on posts of different thicknesses, such as lamp posts, fence posts, or the like.

A more particular object is to provide a flagpole holder of the character stated, with a detachable pole holding member which may be independently secured to the side of a building, or to other structures, to hold a flagpole.

The invention has for a further object the provision of improvements of the general character stated, which will be generally superior in point of relative simplicity and inexpensiveness of construction, taken in connection with positiveness and reliability in action and performance, and convenience in handling and manipulation, and which will be generally superior in efficiency and serviceability.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists in the novel and useful provision, formation, construction, combination, association and relative arrangement of parts, members and features, all as hereinafter described, shown in the drawing, and finally pointed out in the claims.

The invention is illustrated in the annexed drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and in which,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of the holder completely assembled, and shown clamped on a post, and holding a flagpole, the post being shown in dotted lines.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the detachable pole holding member.

Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the pole holding member shown secured to a wall and holding a flagpole.

Fig. 4 is a view partly in section and partly in plan of modified form of clamp forming part of our invention.

Corresponding parts in all the figures are designated by the same reference characters.

The invention includes generally a clamp member A and a detachable pole holding member B.

The clamp member A comprises a flexible metal band *a* provided with a plurality of apertures 1 spaced from end to end of the band, through certain of which apertures a bolt 2 may be extended, and a nut 3 screwed on said bolt against the band for clamping the band around a post C, such as a lamp post, fence post, or the like.

The pole holding member B comprises a plate *b*, formed with a pair of side wings 4, a tongue 5, depending from said wings intermediate thereof, an elongated tongue 6 upstanding outwardly at an angle from said wings, intermediate thereof, a pair of studs 7 outstanding from said wings respectively, a conical pole holding socket 8 formed on the outside of the lower portion of tongue 6, a loop 9 formed on the outside of the upper end of said tongue in alignment with said socket, and a flat outwardly bowed spring 10 secured at its upper end by a rivet 11 to the outside of the tongue 6 immediately below the loop 9. The member B is placed on the inside of the clamp member A with its studs 7 projected through two of the apertures 1 in the band *a*, said studs being spaced the distance between three of said apertures. The clamp band *a* holds the member B firmly against the post C, and the studs 7 projecting through the apertures 1 lock the member B in position on the member A. The plate *b* is provided with two vertically and centrally aligned apertures 12 and 13, the aperture 12 being located in the lower end of the tongue 5 and the aperture 13 being located at the juncture of the tongue 6 and wings 4. The member B may be placed against a support and nails 14 and 15 driven through the apertures 12 and 13 to secure the member on the support for holding a flagpole.

A flagpole D is inserted through the loop 9 with the lower pointed end of the pole resting in the conical socket 8 and the spring 10 engaging the pole and holding it firmly against the outer portion of the loop 9, so that there will be no play between the pole and the loop when the pole is somewhat smaller in diameter than the loop.

One or more pole holding members B may be supported by the clamp A in different positions on the clamp by inserting the studs 7 through different holes 1, and the bolt 2 may be inserted through different holes to clamp the band *a* around posts of different diameters or thicknesses.

In the modified form of our clamp shown in Fig. 4 a pair of S-shaped members 20 and 21 and a clamp bolt 22 and nut 23 are provided for drawing the ends of the clamp band *a* together to clamp the band around

the post. Each of the members 20 and 21 comprises an intermediate portion 24, a lug 25 on one end and a flange 26 on the other end of said portion. The portion 24 is bent inwardly at one end at 27, and is extended inwardly through an opening 1 in the band near the end thereof, so that the portion 24 engages the outside of the band and the lug 25 engages the inside of the band. The flange 26 extends outwardly from the outer end of the portion 24. The bolt 22 extends through the flanges 26 of the members 20 and 21 with the head of the bolt engaging one flange and the nut 23 engaging the other flange.

It is obvious that many changes and variations may be made in the general and particular construction of the device and its parts and features, in relation to the recitals hereinabove made in that regard, in practising the invention, and in adapting it to varying conditions of use and service, without departing from the true spirit of the invention.

Having described our invention, what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A flagpole holding member including a metal band provided with a plurality of longitudinally spaced apertures, a bolt extending through two registering apertures and a nut engaging said bolt to clamp said band on a post, and a flag pole holding member including means extending through other of said apertures to hold the member on the band.

2. A flagpole holding member including a metal band provided with a plurality of longitudinally spaced apertures, a bolt extending through two registering apertures and a nut engaging said bolt to clamp said band on a post, and a flag pole holding member adapted to be placed within said band and including studs adapted to extend through apertures in said band to position and lock said member on the band.

3. A holder for flagpoles and the like comprising a support engaging member of strip-like form provided with a plurality of longitudinally spaced openings, means for securing the ends of said member together to connect the same with a support, a socket member having spaced studs arranged in a plane at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the socket member and adapted to be placed between the support engaging member and the support whereby said studs will enter openings in the strip.

4. A holder for flagpoles and the like comprising a socket member including a body having flagpole engaging and supporting means, spaced lugs projecting from one face of the body, and a strip member having a plurality of openings therein for receiving the spaced lugs on the socket member whereby the body of the socket member may be clamped between the strip and a support to which the strip is adapted to be attached.

In testimony whereof, we have signed our names to this specification.

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