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FIG. 1.

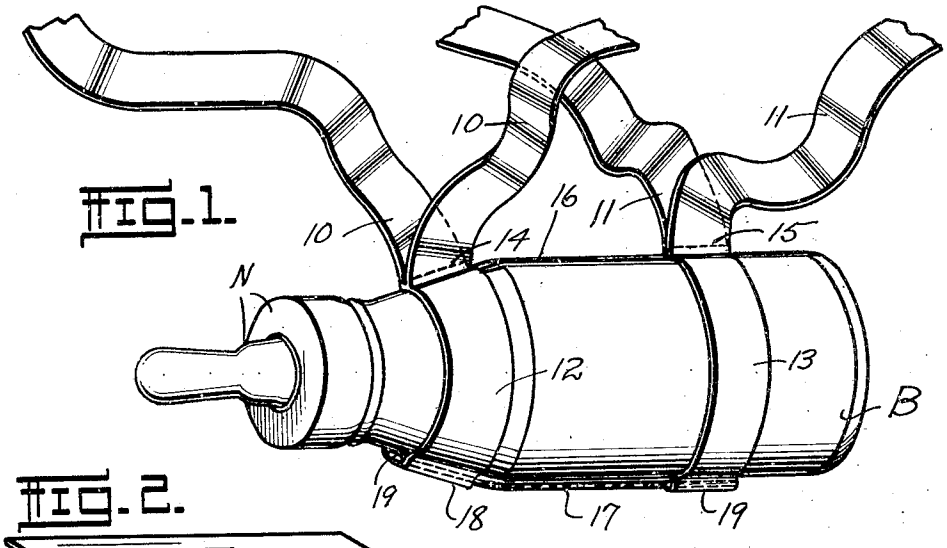


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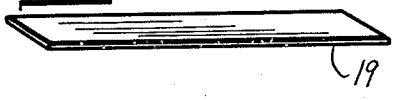


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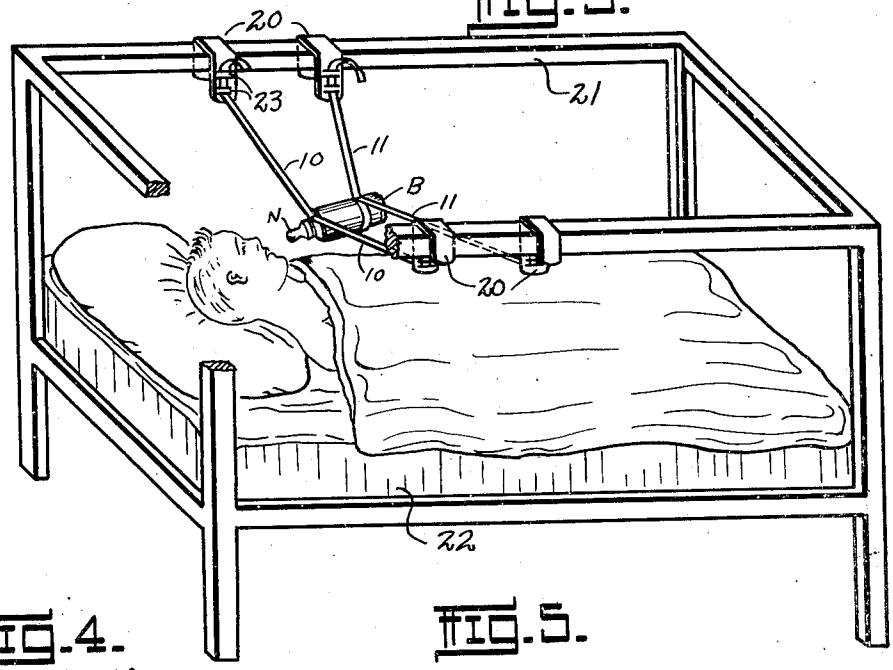


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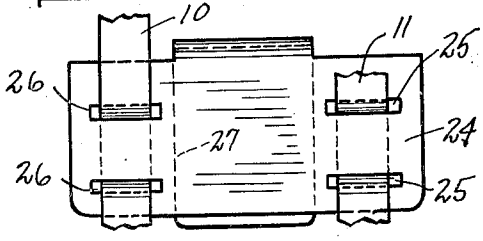
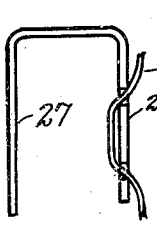


FIG. 5.



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This invention relates to means for holding a baby's nursing bottle.

The principal object of the invention is the provision of a holder for a baby's nursing bottle.

A further object of the invention is the provision of an adjustable means for holding a baby's nursing bottle with respect to a supporting object such as a baby's crib.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a holder for a baby's nursing bottle, the holder being formed of soft, flexible, ribbon-like material.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a baby's nursing bottle holder including means for positioning the holder on the bottle and retaining the holder in position on the nursing bottle.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a baby's nursing bottle holder which may be inexpensively formed principally of textile ribbon, for example, and therefore capable of being readily laundered.

The baby's nursing bottle holder shown and described herein has been devised to form a simple and inexpensive means of supporting a nursing bottle in position adjacent the mouth of an infant so that the infant can drink the contents of the bottle. The holder shown and described is preferably formed of inexpensive textile ribbon material and includes novel means for positioning and supporting the bottle in adjustable relation with respect to an infant in a crib.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed can be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective elevation of a nursing bottle showing the nursing bottle holder in position thereon, portions of the supporting strap-like sections of the nursing bottle being broken away.

Figure 2 is a perspective elevation of a removable spacing portion of the nursing bottle holder shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a perspective elevation of a crib with parts broken away and illustrates the nursing bottle holder and bottle in operative relation to an infant in the crib.

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Figure 4 is a side elevation of a clamp member, a plurality of which are employed in connection with the nursing bottle holder.

Figure 5 is an end elevation of the clamp member illustrated in Figure 4.

By referring to the drawings and Figures 1, and 3 in particular, it will be observed that a nursing bottle holder has been illustrated which consists of a pair of ribbon-like members 10 and 11, each of which has a loop 12 and 13, respectively, formed midway between the ends thereof as by sewing or otherwise affixing the ribbon-like members together, as indicated by the numerals 14 and 15, respectively. The loops 12 and 13 thus formed are flexible and readily adaptable in shape to a nursing bottle such as illustrated and indicated by the letter B. The bottle is provided with a cap and nipple combination indicated by the letter N.

The nursing bottle holder has a spacing strap 16 of ribbon-like material positioned between the uppermost portions of the loops 12 and 13, and a section 16 is sewed or otherwise affixed to the loops 12 and 13 adjacent the sewing or similar connections 14 and 15 heretofore referred to.

A secondary spacing means is provided at the bottom of the loops 12 and 13 and consists of a tubular member formed of flexible, ribbon-like material, indicated by the numeral 17, and sewed or otherwise affixed, as indicated at 18 and 19, to the loops 12 and 13, respectively. The tubular, ribbon-like section of material 17 is adapted to receive and retain a strip of metal or plastic 19 (see Figure 2 of the drawings) so that the loops 12 and 13 will be retained in fixed, spaced relation with respect to one another by the reinforcing strip 19 which may be bent into conformity with the exterior shape of the bottle B, as shown in Figure 1. The reinforcing strip 19 positioned in the tubular member 17 prevents the loops 12 and 13 from being moved into closely adjacent position by the infant, which operation will cause the bottle to be improperly supported with the danger that it would drop on the infant or move into position so that the infant could not reach the nipple N thereof.

By referring to Figure 3 of the drawings, it will be observed that the bottle B is positioned in the holder and that the outwardly extending ends of the ribbon-like material 10 and 11 are positioned through slotted clamping members 20, which clamping members 20 are positioned over the uppermost rail 21 of a crib. The bed position of the crib is indicated by the numeral 22.

The outwardly extending ends of the ribbon-

like material 10 and 11 provide four spaced, supporting elements which enable the bottle B to be positioned in the exact location desired with respect to the infant and at the desired angle of inclination so that the contents of the bottle may be readily available to the infant.

Each of the clamping members 20 is provided with two pairs of slotted openings 23 which form, in effect, a pair of cross members behind which the sections of ribbon-like material 10 and 11 may be positioned and held in frictional engagement with the body portion of the clamping members 20.

In Figures 4 and 5 of the drawings, modified clamping members are illustrated, only two clamping members being required to support the bottle holder as each clamping member is adapted to receive the ends of the two ribbon-like material 10 and 11. In Figure 4, the body of a modified clamping member is indicated by the numeral 24. The clamping member 24 is provided with two pairs of slots, indicated by the numerals 25 and 26, it being observed that the ribbon-like material 10 is positioned through the slots 26 and the ribbon-like material 11 is positioned through the slots 25. The body of the clamping member 24 is provided with a projecting, sidewardly extending and downturned portion 27 which enables it to be positioned over the top rail of a crib.

It will thus be seen that a simple and efficient nursing bottle holder has been disclosed which is capable of being formed of flexible ribbon-like material, such as textile ribbon, thus making it inexpensive to manufacture and easy to launder

and simple to install on a bottle. The bottle holder will efficiently and safely hold a nursing bottle in a crib so that an infant in the crib can drink the contents of the bottle. The holder is of substantial construction and is not harmed or affected by the infant's grasping the same or otherwise handling or pulling on the holder or the bottle suspended thereby.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:

A nursing bottle holder comprising a pair of flexible contenuous tape-like members each having a loop formed inwardly from its respective ends and sections of material joining the loops together so that a nursing bottle may be positioned through the loops and suspended by affixing the outermost ends of the flexible tape-like members to supports.

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