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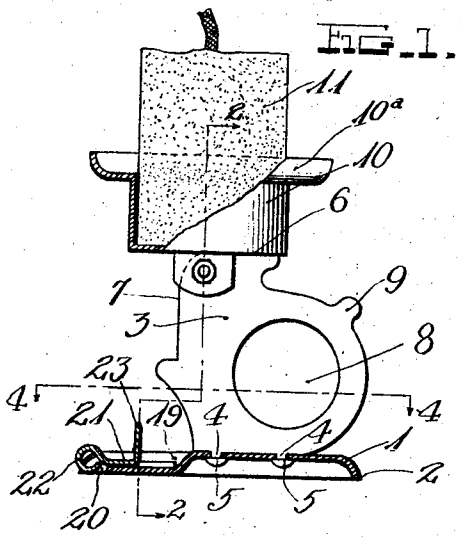
FIG. 1.



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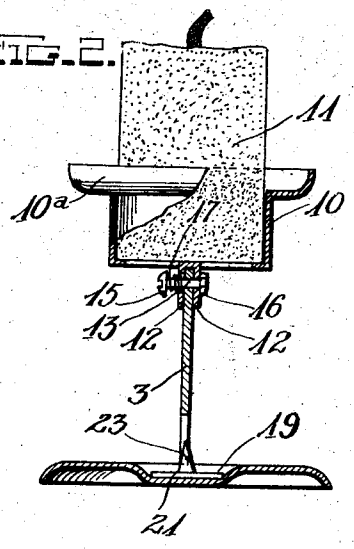

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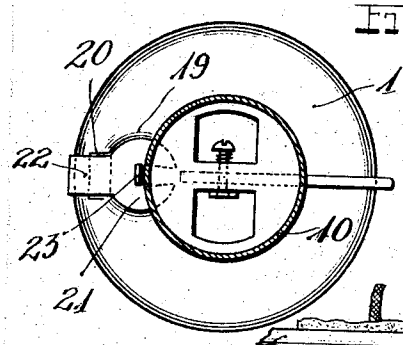

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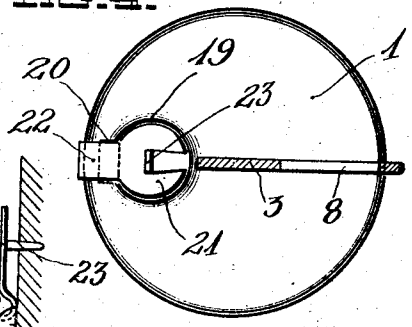

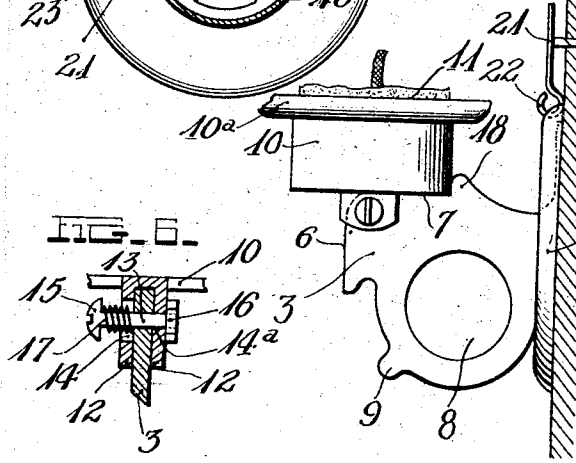

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK DI BELLA, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Candlesticks; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention aims to provide a new and improved form of candle stick which may readily be carried from place to place, may be set upon a horizontal support, or may be suspended against a vertical support, such as a wall, novel provision being made whereby the candle will at all times assume a vertical position and whereby a suspending prong is at all times carried by the base of the device, in readiness for instant use when desired.

With the foregoing in view, the invention resides in the novel subject matter hereinafter described and claimed, the description being supplemented by the accompanying drawing.

Figure 1 is a side elevation partly broken away and in section.

Figure 2 is a vertical sectional view on the irregular line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Figure 3 is a top plan view partly in section.

Figure 4 is a horizontal sectional view on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

Figure 5 is a side elevation showing the device suspended.

Figure 6 is an enlarged detail vertical section.

In the drawing above briefly described, the numeral 1 designates a base preferably formed of sheet metal in circular form and provided with a downturned flange 2 at its edge. Secured to and rising in a vertical plane from the base 1 is a plate 3, said plate preferably having integral studs 4 which pass through openings in the base and are upset as at 5. This plate is provided with a horizontal upper edge 6 and with a vertical edge 7 at right angles to said upper edge, for a purpose to appear, and said plate is preferably formed with an opening 8 through which the forefinger may be passed when carrying the device, at which time, the thumb may engage a lug 9 on the plate.

A socket 10 is provided for a candle 11, said socket preferably having a wax collecting flange 10^a. The bottom of said socket rests normally upon the edge 6 and in the present showing, this socket bottom is provided with a pair of downwardly stamped lugs 12 which straddle the plate 3 and are pivoted thereto in the angle between the edges 6 and 7. In establishing the pivotal connection, a pivot bolt 13 is passed through openings 14 and 14^a in the lugs 12 and through an opening in the plate 3, said bolt having enlargements 15 and 16 at its opposite ends. The enlargement 15 is preferably a head integral with the bolt, while the enlargement 16 may well be a nut. One of these enlargements contacts with one of the lugs 12 and a compression spring 17 is engaged with the other enlargement, said spring passing through the opening 14 and contacting with the plate 3, so as to at all times create an amount of friction and thus hold the socket 10 and said plate in relative positions to which they may be adjusted.

When the device is to be carried from place to place, or is to be supported upon a horizontal rest, such as a table, the parts assume the relation shown in most figures of the drawing, but when it is desired to suspend the device, with its base 1 resting against a vertical support, such as a wall, the base and the plate 3 are swung about the pivotal connection with the socket 10, so that the bottom of the socket then rests on the edge 7, as shown in Fig. 5. At this time, the socket preferably engages an additional lug 18 on the plate.

Novel provision is made for suspending the device. In the present showing, a portion of the base 1 is downwardly stamped to provide a shallow recess 19 near the edge of said base, and this base is formed with a slot 20 between said edge and recess. A disk 21 is normally received in the recess and is provided with a neck 22 which passes through the slot 20 and is bent around the portion of the base between said slot and the base edge, so as to pivotally connect the disk and the base. This disk is provided with a prong 23 preferably formed by upwardly stamping a portion of it, as shown. When the device is to be suspended as shown in Fig. 5, the disk 21 is swung out of the recess 19 and by pressing on said disk with the thumb, the prong 23 may be forced into a vertical support, as clearly indicated in the drawing.

The invention is exceptionally simple and inexpensive, yet is very desirable, and as excellent results have been obtained from the details disclosed, they are preferably followed. However, within the scope of the invention as claimed, modifications may of course be made.

I claim:

1. A candle stick comprising a base, a plate secured thereto and rising therefrom in a vertical plane, said plate having a horizontal upper edge and a vertical edge at right angles to said upper edge, and a candle socket having a downwardly projecting lug pivoted to said plate in the angle between said two edges, the bottom of said socket being normally in contact with said upper edge but being adapted also to contact with the other edge when the base is swung to an upright position, said base having means whereby it may be suspended in upright position.

2. A candle stick comprising a support, a sheet metal candle socket having slits in its bottom, a pair of lugs stamped outwardly from between the slits and straddling said support, and a pivot passing through said lugs and support.

3. A candle stick comprising a support, a candle socket whose bottom is provided with a pair of outwardly projecting lugs straddling said support, said lugs and support having alined openings, a pivot passing through said openings and having enlargements at its ends, one of said enlargements contacting with one of said lugs and the other enlargement being outwardly spaced from the other lug, and a compression spring interposed between said other enlargement and said support, one end of said spring passing through the opening of said other lug and co-acting with said support to provide a tight frictional connection.

4. A candle stick comprising a base having a depression near its edge and a slot between said depression and edge, and a sheet metal disk lying normally in said depression and having an integral neck bent around the portion of the base between the edge of said base and said slot, whereby to hinge the disk to the base and permit projection of said disk beyond the edge of the base, said disk having a prong adapted to be forced into a vertical support when said disk is extended, whereby to suspend the base in a vertical position.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

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