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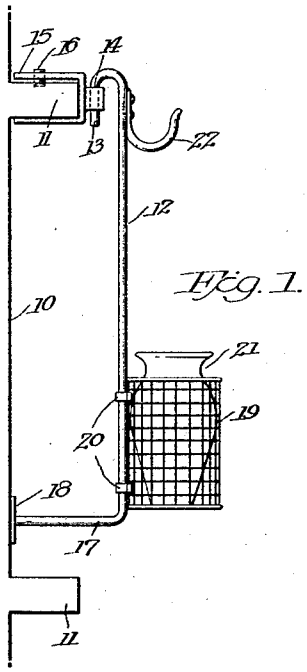


Fig. 1.

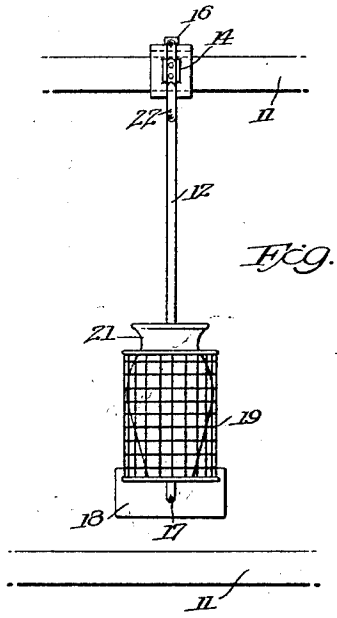
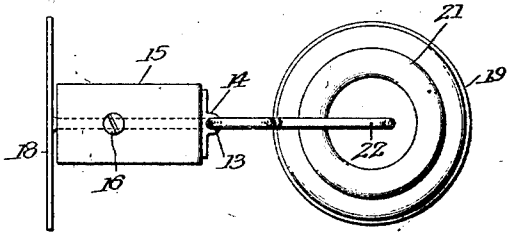


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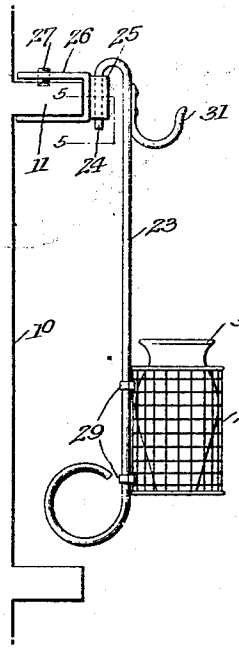


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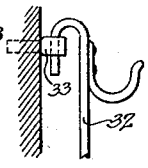
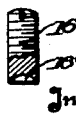


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FLOWER HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PARKE E. SHEE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Flower Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention, which is a division of applicant's co-pending application, Serial No. 585,221, filed August 30th, 1922, relates to flower holders, and more particularly to a device adapted to be used in mausoleums, for decorating the individual crypts.

The primary object of the present development resides in providing a flower holder and support therefor, that has an attractive and ornamental appearance, and which may be readily connected or disconnected to a projecting ledge of the crypt. Additionally, the device is such that can be inexpensively produced and of sufficient durability as not to be easily broken or affected by sudden atmospheric changes.

Referring to the drawings, wherein is disclosed preferred embodiments of my invention:

Figure 1 is a view in side elevation of the device showing its connection with the ledge of a crypt.

Figure 2 is a front elevation of the device shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a plan view of the device shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Figure 4 is a side elevation view of the modified form of the invention.

Figure 5 is a sectional view taken substantially along the line 5—5 of Figure 4.

Figure 6 is a side elevation showing in section a modified form of the invention.

Figure 7 is a detail view partly in section of the set screw.

Referring to the drawings wherein like numerals indicate like parts in the several views, 10 denotes the front end of a crypt which has the ledges 11 projecting therefrom. The flower holder consists of a vertical rod 12 having its upper end terminating in a hook portion 13 so as to be supported by and engage in a socket or eye 14 secured to the clamp 15, as shown.

The clamp 15 is preferably of U-shaped construction so as to suitably embrace the upper ledge 11 of the crypt, and is fixedly secured thereto by means of a set screw 16, which extends through the upper leg of the clamp into contact with the ledge 11 so as to secure the clamp 15 in place. In order that the set screw 16 may firmly engage the crypt which is usually made of marble, one end of the screw is preferably provided with a cupped or concaved recess 16′, as shown in Figure 7, which causes the screw 16 when being threaded to the crypt or ledge to bite into the marble and prevent its slipping.

The lower portion of the supporting rod 12 preferably terminates in a lateral horizontal leg 17, which is provided with a flat foot 18 at its outer end adapted to bear against the face of the crypt so as to maintain the rod and holder in a proper vertical position.

A cylindrical receptacle 19, which is laterally offset with respect to the rod 12 is secured to the said rod by means of flexible clips 20, the loops of which surround the rod 12 and have their ends attached to the receptacle in any desired manner. The body of the receptacle 19 is preferably formed of a reticulated or wire mesh having an open bottom portion so as to form a light and attractive container.

A jar or holder 21 for carrying flowers, ornamental grasses and the like, and which may be made of glass, metal or any other suitable ware, is adapted to be placed in the receptacle 19, as shown.

An outwardly projecting hook 22 is secured to the upper portion of the rod 12 for the purpose of supporting a wreath.

Referring to Figure 4, wherein is disclosed a modified form of the invention, the rod 23 is preferably provided at its upper end with a substantially flat hook member 24, which is adapted to be inserted in a correspondingly shaped socket 25 that projects from the front end of the clamp 26, as shown in Figure 5. The clamp is removably connected to the ledge 11 of the crypt 10 preferably by the set screw 27, which is similar in construction to the screw 16. However, any other suitable retaining means adapted for such a purpose may be employed. The container 28 is attached to the rod 23 by the metal clips 29, and is adapted to receive the holder 30 in the same manner as heretofore described.

It will be noted that this form of the invention differs from that shown in Figure 1 in that the lateral foot member is eliminated, the rod and holder being maintained in a proper vertical position without danger of sagging by reason of the flat hook member 24, which engages the socket 25 so as to maintain the rod 23 in proper position when the jar 30 is filled with flowers or water. A hook 31 is preferably attached to the upper end of the rod 23 for supporting a wreath thereon, while the lower portion of the rod preferably terminates in a curved end, as shown.

In the form of the invention shown in Figure 6, the upper end of the supporting rod 32 is adapted to engage an opening in the screw 33, which is preferably threadedly secured to the side wall of the crypt instead of the ledge, as shown in the other forms of the invention.

It will be apparent that by reason of this form of device, a simple and inexpensive flower holder may be readily installed in the mausoleum without the necessity of drilling, plugging or otherwise defacing the outer surface of the mausoleum.

While I have, for illustrative purposes, set forth a preferred form of my invention, it will be understood that minor changes in construction of the device that fall within the purview of a mechanic may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention and the scope of what is claimed.

I claim:

The combination with a flower holder of a substantially U-shaped bracket having an opening in one arm thereof, a screw extending through said opening for detachably securing the bracket to the ledge, a lug having a rectangular socket projecting from the closed end of said bracket, a vertical rod having a hooked upper end provided with a depending flat portion arranged to engage said bracket and prevent lateral movement of the rod relative thereto, and a container connected exteriorly to the rod.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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