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Fig. 1.

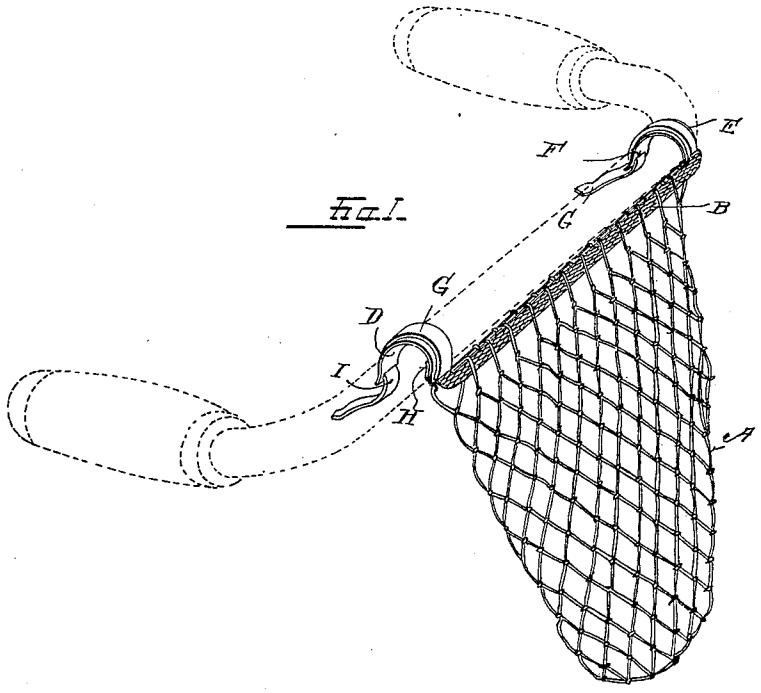

Fig. 2.

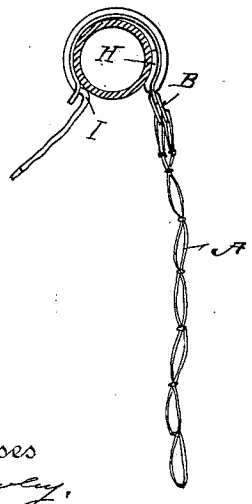

Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES S. COOLIDGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Troy, in the county of Miami and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Package-Holders for Cycles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in package-holders for cycles.

The general object of my invention is to provide simple and efficient means for attaching the holder proper to the handle-bar of the cycle and which may be readily detached therefrom, the attaching devices being adjustable on the handle-bar.

My invention also relates to details of construction hereinafter appearing, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, on which like reference-letters indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1 represents a detail perspective view of my improved holder proper and a handle-bar of a cycle to which the holder is attached; Fig. 2, a detail view showing one of my holding-clips with the holder proper attached thereto, such clip being in engagement with a handle-bar, the handle-bar being in section; and Fig. 3, a detail perspective view of a holding-clip for gripping the handle-bar.

In devices of this character it is very essential that they may have a considerable range of adjustment to suit the various forms of handle-bars in use. My invention accomplishes this in a practical and economical manner, and at the same time the holder is prevented from readily detaching itself from such handle-bar.

The letter A represents a holder proper, consisting of a network or other suitable material. The upper end of this holder is provided with an elastic band or cord B. This rubber band or cord is adapted to extend through a slot C in one end of each of the spring-clips D and E, respectively. The other ends of these spring-clips are provided with a similar slot or opening F. A leather strip G passes around on the outside of these clips and one end extends through the slot C, while the other end passes through the slot F and extends a short distance beyond the clip. The end of the leather strip adjacent to the holder proper is turned up on the inside of the clip, as shown at H. Thus the free or outer end of the leather strip is substantially opposite the upturned end H, as illustrated at I. This construction performs a valuable function, for the reason that when the clip is snapped over the handle-bar the portion of the leather I and the upturned end H prevent the clips from being removed from the handle-bar and no amount of jarring will displace them—as, for instance, riding over exceedingly rough roads. The clips are separated from each other far enough on the handle-bar to permit the elastic cord or band to normally remain in a somewhat taut condition, so that in a large measure the holder proper is prevented from sagging. In order to readily remove the holder from the handle-bar, the free end of the strap G, which projects beyond the spring-clip, is taken hold of and by a quick upward pull the clip is disengaged from the bar. Thus in my invention I claim not only the adjustability of the clips upon the handle-bar, but also the means for quickly disengaging the holder therefrom by reason of the extension of the leather.

By referring more particularly to Fig. 3, it will be observed that the ends *a b* of the spring-clip curve outward slightly. This is for the purpose of permitting it to be more readily mounted upon the handle-bar. It will also be observed that the leather prevents the handle-bars from becoming scratched when in use and when the clips are sprung into place.

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

1. In a package-holder for cycles, the combination with a holder proper, having an elastic at its upper end, a pair of spring-clips to which said elastic is connected, said spring-clips each having slots near their outer ends, a leather strip adapted to extend around on the outside of said clips and through said slots, one end of said leather strip being bent back on the inner side of said clip and the other end extending beyond said clip to form a handhold for releasing the spring from the handle-bar, all substantially as shown and described.

2. In a package-holder for cycles, the combination with a handle-bar, of a pair of spring-clips adapted to be adjusted varying distances from each other, said clips each having a slot or opening near each end, a strip of material adapted to extend around on the outside of each of said clips and through said slots to form a fastening means for the clips, one of the ends of said material being bent upward between the clip and handle-bar while the other end extends away from the handle-bar, a resilient band connecting the corresponding ends of said clips together by passing through the slotted openings in said ends, and a holder proper mounted upon said resilient band, said resilient band forming a closing device for the upper end of said holder proper, all substantially as shown and described.

3. In a package-holder for cycles, the combination with a handle-bar, of a pair of spring-clips having a slot near their outer ends and also turned outward near said outer ends, adapted to engage said handle, a strip of leather extending through said slots and over the outside of said clips, one end of said strip being turned back against the interior of its clip while the other end extends beyond the clip, and a holder proper adapted to be connected with said clip, all substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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