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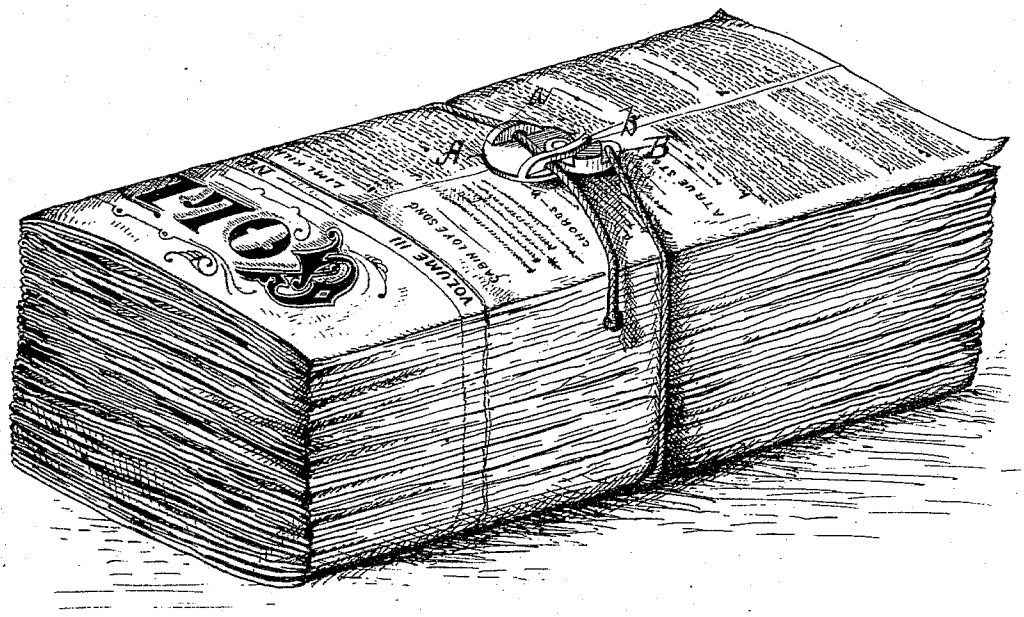


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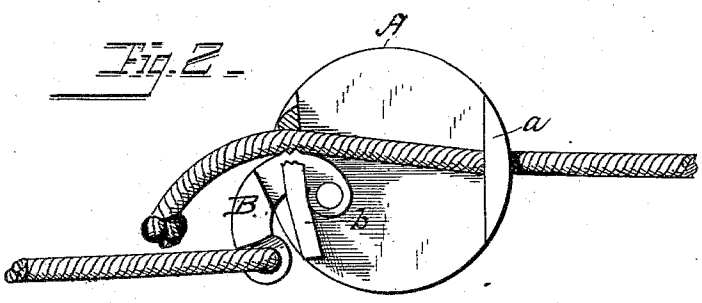
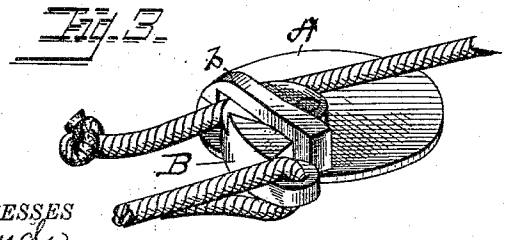


Fig. 3.



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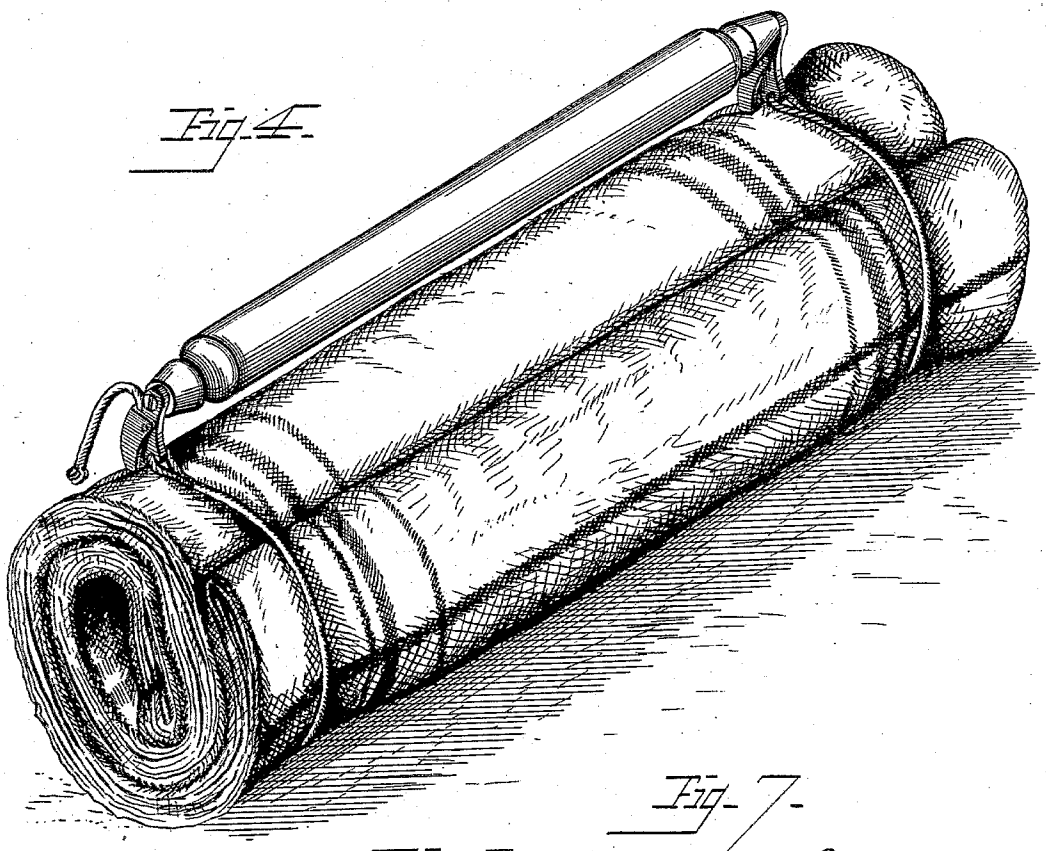


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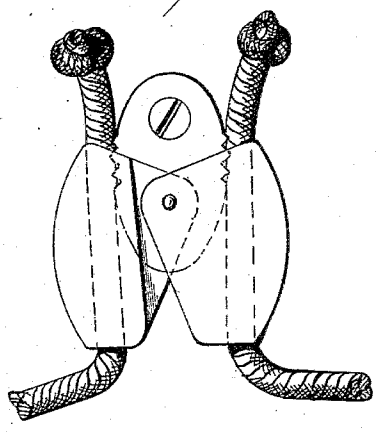


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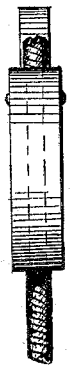
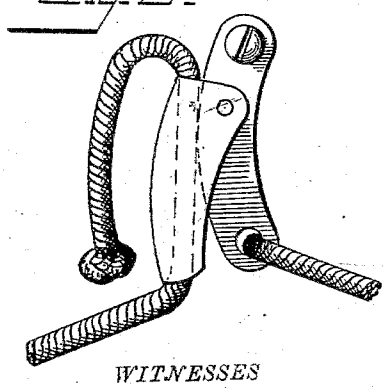


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS E. BADEN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Washington city, in the District of Columbia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Package-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in package-holders, the special object being to construct a holder of the class named which will effect the purposes intended with certainty and security, and which may be made cheaply.

With these objects in view my invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts, as will be hereinafter more fully described, and specifically pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved device applied to a package or file of papers. Fig. 2 is a front side view in elevation, with a portion of the retaining-loop broken away, showing the clamp and cord engaged. Fig. 3 is a perspective view, and Figs. 4, 5, 6, and 7 are views showing modified forms of my device applicable for the purpose of holding a textile or rolled package.

The letter A represents a metallic plate, in this instance made round, but it may be square or elliptical, according to the desires of the maker or user. On one side of the plate is formed or rigidly secured a guide loop or staple, *a*, for the passage of the cord, as seen in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings, and on the other side of the plate is similarly fixed a loop or staple, *b*, for the purpose of receiving the cord and the clamping-lever. This loop or staple *b* is preferably set at an incline from one edge of the plate, substantially as seen in Fig. 2, in order that the limit of movement of the lever may be increased, and also that the cord end of the lever may have a seat or rest.

Pivotally secured to the plate A is an eccentrically-bent clamping-lever, B, the free or cord end of which reaches below the pivotal bearing in order that the line of tension will tend to draw the impinging surface of the lever above the pivotal bearing, and thus pinch the cord tight between the lever and the side of the staple. The outer surface of the lever may be corrugated, to afford additional security in holding the cord.

The office of the guide-loop *a* is to retain the plate in a fixed position when applied to a flat package; but it may in some instances be dispensed with, and then the article will be formed as seen in Fig. 3 of the drawings.

In order to afford convenient means for releasing the lever, I form the free end with a raised projection, and also form the staple with a corresponding projection, thereby providing means for getting a better purchase for the fingers when it is desired to unclamp the cord.

In Figs. 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the drawings I have demonstrated two modifications wherein I have pivoted the clamping means to the lever, and adapted the same to securing small packages of textile material.

To apply the device after the cord has been attached and inserted, it is only necessary to encircle the package with the cord and draw it tight, when the tension effects the clamp and secures the cord.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In combination, a plate formed with a cord-retaining staple, an eccentrically-curved clamping-lever passed under the cord-retaining staple and pivotally attached to the plate, and the binding-cord secured to the free end of the clamping-lever, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The package-holder herein described, consisting of the plate A, formed with a cord-guiding staple, *a*, and a cord-retaining staple, *b*, and the lever B, pivoted to the plate, and provided with a holding-cord, as set forth.

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