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Fig. 1.

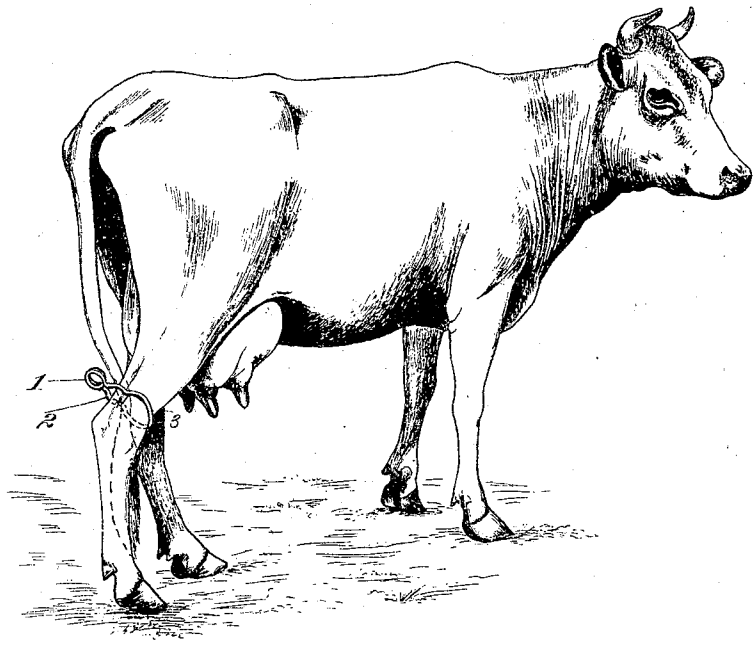
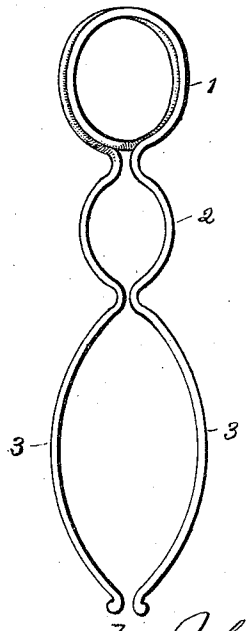


Fig 2.



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COW-TAIL HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EARL J. TRAPP and LEE M. TRAPP, citizens of the United States, residing at Virgil, in the county of Cortland and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cow-Tail Holders; and we do hereby 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.

Our invention relates to cow-tail holders, the object of the same being to provide a simple and effective device of this character provided with inwardly spring-pressed clamping-jaws adapted to embrace the leg of the cow and to hold the tail therein, the rear ends of said jaws being provided with inwardly-extending projections adapted to fit within the space between the main part of the leg and the gamble-string for preventing the accidental disconnection thereof.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view showing the application of our invention, and Fig. 2 is a detail view of the same in side elevation.

Like reference-numerals indicate like parts in both views.

Our improved holder is preferably constructed of spring-wire bent at its central point, forming a coil 1, and having at its opposite ends jaws 2, the same being inwardly spring-pressed through the action of the coil 1. Adjacent to said coil the wire is crossed, as shown at 3, and the two parts thereof afterward bent inwardly, forming a loop 4, and then bent outwardly, forming the arms or jaws 2 and the inwardly-extending projections or offsets 5.

In applying our device the arms or jaws 2 are slipped around the leg of the cow with the tail lying along the inside of the leg and between the jaws, the offsets or projections 5 fitting within the space between the main part of the leg and the gamble-string, thereby preventing the accidental disconnection of the holder from the leg.

Having now described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A wire cow-tail holder, having a coil at one end and inwardly spring-pressed arms adapted to embrace the main portion of the leg of the cow at the other end, the opposite ends of said arms converging toward each other, and a loop between said arms and said coil adapted to embrace the gamble-string of the leg, the meeting points of said arms and loop forming inwardly-extending portions or offsets adapted to fit in the space between the main portion of the leg and the gamble-string, as set forth.

In testimony whereof we have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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