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Fig. 1.

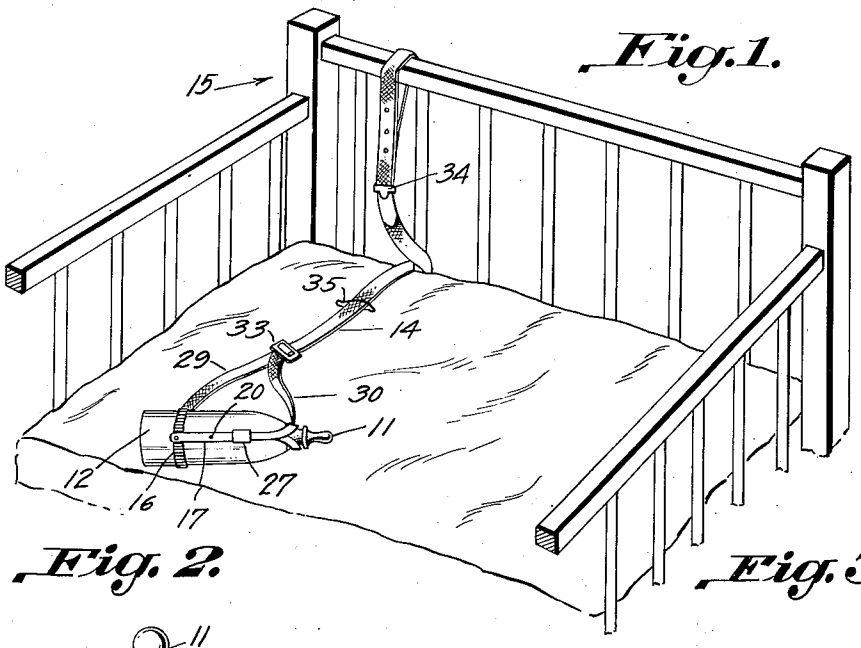


Fig. 2.

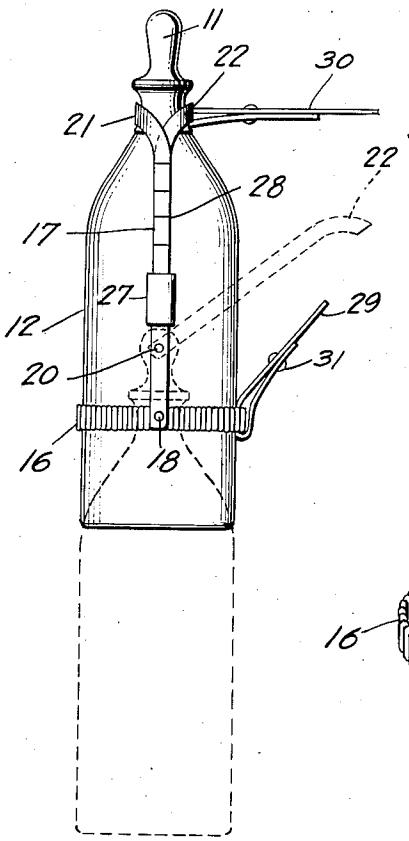
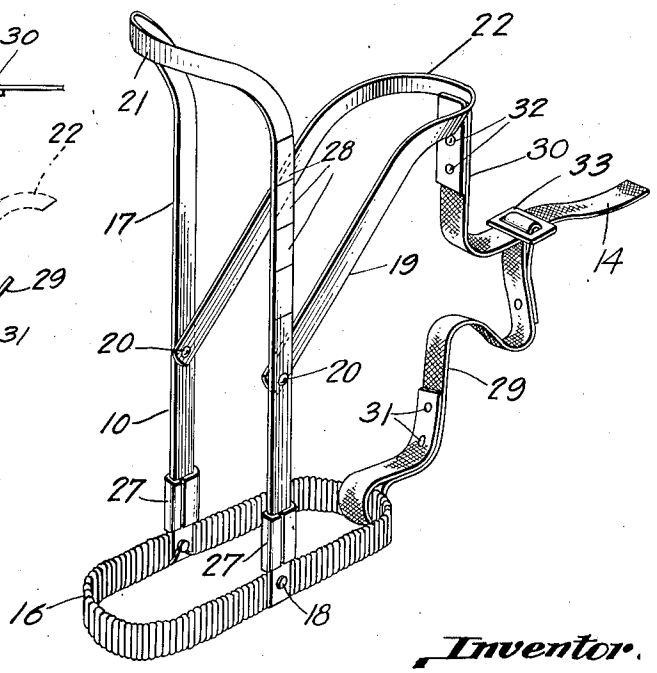


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to a combination nipple and bottle holder and has for an object to provide a device for holding nipples on baby bottles as well as for holding baby bottles within a desired range of movement. A further object of this invention is to provide a nipple and bottle holder which will serve to prevent the baby from being able to remove the nipple from the bottle, thus causing the milk to be spilled as well as prevent the baby from being able to throw the bottle onto the floor to cause it to be broken.

Still another object of this invention is to provide a nipple and bottle holder having an adjustable strap or ribbon whereby the holder may be secured either to a crib or baby carriage when the baby is in its crib or carriage and whereby the strap or ribbon is also serviceable to assist in holding the bottle when the baby is being held in the mother's arms.

With the foregoing and other objects in view, as will hereinafter become apparent, this invention comprises the constructions, combinations and arrangements of parts, hereinafter set forth, disclosed and shown on the accompanying drawing. In this drawing,

Figure 1 is a fragmentary perspective view of the nipple and bottle holder in use in a baby crib.

Figure 2 is a side elevation of the holder with the baby bottle firmly secured, the broken lines representing the bottle and position of the holder adjustments when removing the bottle from the holder.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of the nipple and bottle holder clearly showing the adjustments.

There is shown at 10 (Figure 3) a combination nipple and bottle holder which serves for locking the nipple 11 firmly on the baby bottle 12 so that it cannot be removed therefrom while the holder is in position. The holder 10 is provided with an adjustable strap or ribbon 14 for safely securing the bottle 12 in any desired position as in a baby crib 15.

As shown the bottle 12 may be of the conventional eight-ounce size and may be either oval or round, although this invention can equally be applied to bottles of lesser or greater size by making the holder of appropriate size therefor. The same holder 10, however, is equally suitable on either an oval or a round bottle for the holder can automatically adjust itself to the shape of the bottle.

The holder 10 is thoughtfully made entirely of springlike or flexible metal smoothly finished off. The holder 10 consists of a ring 16 and a U-shaped arm 17 connected at its ends to the ring 16 in any suitable manner as by rivet 18 and a smaller U-shaped arm 19 pivoted to the arm 17 at 20. The curved sections of the U-shaped arms 17 and 19 are bent away from each other forming half rings 21 and 22, and when the arm 19 is pivoted by the pivot 20 to bring the leg of the arm 19 into coincidence with the leg of the arm 17 as shown in Figures 1 and 2, the half rings 21 and 22 together form a clamp of the proper diameter to fit over the lower edge of the nipple 11 on the bottle 12 and securely clamp the nipple 11 thereto. The ring 16 is an expansible coil-spring being made of soft wire. As a result of this feature the ring 16 may be secured around either an oval or a round baby bottle. In order to place the bottle 12 into position, the arm 19 is pivoted to the open position shown in Figure 3 or shown in the dot dash outline—Figure 2 whereupon the bottle 12 is pushed up from the bottom until the half ring 21 seeks again the edge of the nipple 11. The other arm 19 is then pivoted to bring the half ring 22 against the other side of the edge of the nipple 11, thus clamping the nipple 11 on the bottle 12. In order to prevent the arm 19 from pivoting open again clasps 27 are provided on each leg of the arm 17 and are of sufficient size to slide up over the combined leg of the arms 17 and 19 as shown in Figure 2, the legs of the arm 17 being provided with ridges 28 which assist in holding clasp 27 in the raised position as shown in Figure 2. The strap or tape 14 is secured to the holder 10 by having its end suitably fastened thereto.

One end 29 of strap 14 is fastened to ring 16 by metal eyelets as at 31 while the other end 30 of the strap 14 passes through an appropriate slit in one of the half rings and is fastened by metal eyelets thereto as at 32.

The ends 29 and 30 of the strap or tape 14 pass through an adjusting buckle 33, while the other ends of the strap 14 are secured together by a clasp 34. When in use in the baby's crib, as shown in Figure 1, the buckle 33 will be adjusted along the ends 29 and 30 of the strap 14 so as to hold the bottle 12 at the desired angle for the baby to make use thereof. The other end of the strap 14 may be then secured to the woodwork of the crib 15. To assist in holding the bottle in the desired position, the strap 14 may be additionally secured to the bed clothing by means of a safety pin 35.

The detachable clasp 34 on the strap 14 permits the same to be likewise used when the baby

is being held in the hands and strap 14 being adjusted about the neck of the person feeding the baby, or pinned to the clothing of the person feeding the baby, thereby preventing the accidental dropping of the bottle on the floor with the consequence of broken bottle and spilled milk.

The novel features and the operation of this device will be apparent from the foregoing description. While the device has been shown and the structure described in detail, it is obvious that this is not to be considered limited to the exact form disclosed, and that changes may be made therein within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus set forth and disclosed the nature of this invention, what is claimed is:

1. A nipple and bottle holder comprising an expansible ring adapted to embrace a baby bottle, a substantially U-shaped arm secured to said expansible ring and a shorter second U-shaped arm pivoted on said first U-shaped arm, the curved ends of said arms being bent away from each other to form half rings adapted to embrace a bottle neck and nipple.

2. A nipple and bottle holder comprising an expansible ring adapted to embrace a baby bottle, a substantially U-shaped arm secured to fit expansible ring and a shorter second U-shaped arm pivoted on said first U-shaped arm, the curved ends of said arms being bent away from each other to form half rings adapted to embrace a bottle neck and nipple and a clasp on said U-shaped arm adapted to slide therealong to lock said second arm in closed position.

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