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DISPLAY MOUNT.

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Fig. 1

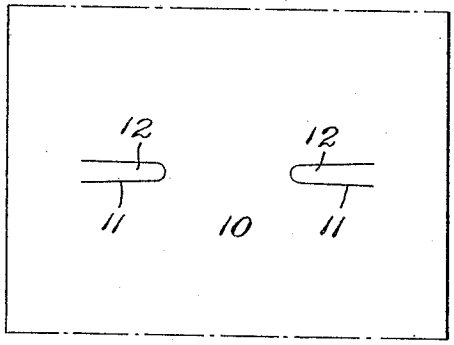


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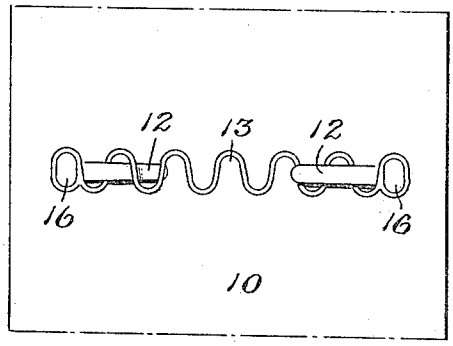


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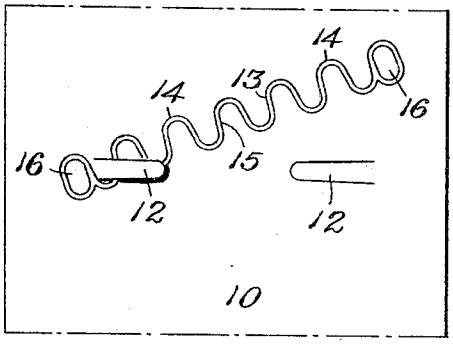


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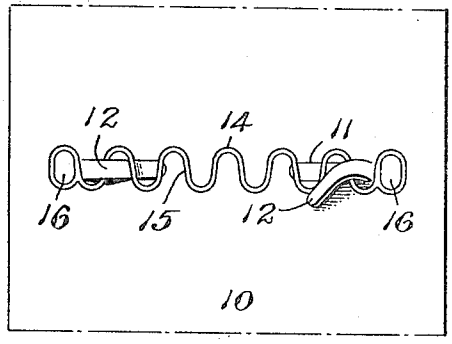


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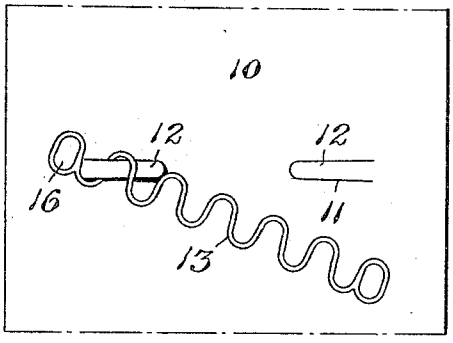


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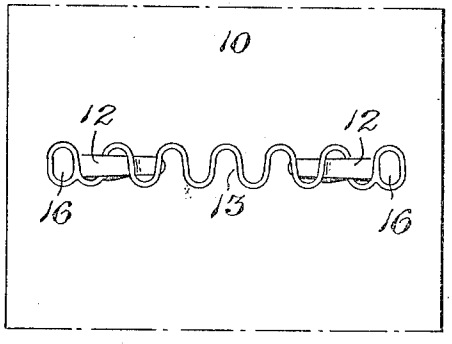
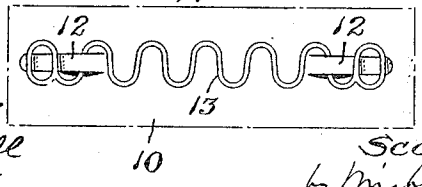


Fig. 7



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SCOTT H. TOLMAN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Mounts, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the present invention is to provide a display mount for supports used in women's collars. There are various styles of such collar supports, a support of the style to which the present invention relates being made of wire bent back and forth in serpentine form whereby it is given the requisite bulk and resilience.

The amount which constitutes the present invention is a display card which is provided with tongues adapted to engage the collar supports for the purpose of holding them securely so they may not be accidentally detached from the card and so that they may be displayed sufficiently to enable a purchaser to see and understand their character and formation without requiring detachment from the mount.

Of the accompanying drawings which illustrate the invention: Figure 1 represents a portion of a card in which two incisions have been made to provide tongues to hold a collar support. Figs. 2 to 5 inclusive represent the same portion of a card or mount, together with a collar support shown in successive stages of being attached. Fig. 6 represents the mount with the collar support attached thereto in the desired manner. Fig. 7 represents a modification in which the tongues of the mount extend away from each other instead of toward each other.

The same reference characters indicate the same parts wherever they occur.

Referring first to Fig. 1, the mount consists of a card 10 of any suitable proportions, provided one measurement is greater than the length of the support which is to be attached. Two incisions 11, 11, are made in the card for each collar support, said incisions being substantially U-shaped and oppositely disposed with relation to each other. Each incision provides a tongue 12. The disposition of the incisions is such that the tongues are in line with each other, and such that they extend in opposite directions. The points where the tongues are joined with the main body of the card are separated from each other a distance depending upon the length of the collar support, this distance being somewhat less than the length of the collar support. The length of the tongues is not limited, except that each tongue must be sufficiently long to extend over and under portions of the collar support.

The collar support shown by Figs. 2 to 6 is indicated at 13. Supports of this kind are usually made of comparatively stiff wire covered with a suitable coating, which in some instances is thread wound around, and in other instances is enamel. The wire is bent back and forth in serpentine form, thus providing a series of bends 14 and portions 15 connecting the bends. The ends of each wire are bent in such manner as to form eyes 16 for the reception of stitches by which the support may be attached to a collar.

The collar support may be attached to a card by following the various steps shown by Figs. 2 to 5. Beginning with Fig. 2, one of the tongues 12 is slightly lifted, and one end of the collar support is slipped under the tongue so that the tongue will extend over the connecting portion 15 between the first and second bends from the eye 16. The support is inclined in such manner as to carry the third bend 14 to one side of the tongue in order to enable the free end of the tongue to extend under the connecting portion 15 which is between the second and third bends 14. The support as shown by Fig. 2 has not been inclined quite far enough to carry the third bend beyond the end of the tongue; but it is obvious that slight additional movement of the support will carry this bend beyond the tongue so that the tongue may be inserted under the said bend. The next step after inserting the free end of the tongue under the third bend is to swing the support so that it is inclined in the opposite direction, as shown by Fig. 3, thus carrying the second connecting portion 15 over the tongue, the tongue at this stage extending over the first portion 15 and under the second portion 15, whereby one end of the support is firmly interlocked with the mount. The purpose in swinging the support from the position shown by Fig. 2 to the position shown by Fig. 3 is to place the unattached end of the support on the other side of the opposite tongue 12, so that when the support

is moved to the position shown by Fig. 4 it may be slipped under the tongue which up to this time has not been engaged. When the portions 14 and 15 at the right-hand end of the support have been slipped under the right-hand tongue, the final step is in order, this consisting in tucking the free end of the tongue under the second connecting portion 15 from the right end. This must be done by flexing the free end of the tongue to one side, as shown by Fig. 5, and tucking it under the third bend 14 from the right end. When the tongue is pushed back to its position in line with the tongue at the left, it extends over the first portion 15 and under the second and third portions 15, thus being interlocked with the collar support in precisely the same manner as that first described.

The tongues 12 of the mount shown by Fig. 7 extend away from each other instead of toward each other. This mount is as effective as that already described. The support may be attached in the manner described, with slight variation due to the opposite relation of the tongues.

The tongues in each of the forms shown extend oppositely with relation to each other, this being the preferred arrangement; but this arrangement is not the only one whereby the securing function of the tongues may be made effective. If the tongues were formed to extend in one direction they could be as readily interwoven with the collar support. In practice, the card will be provided with any desirable number of pairs of tongues closely arranged so that a series of supports may be secured in a small space.

Although the invention has been described as a mount for collar supports, it is not intended that the term "collar supports" shall have any limiting effect, for it is obvious that any filamentary structure having bends similar to those shown may be mounted as explained.

Having thus explained the nature of my said invention and described a way of constructing and using the same, although without attempting to set forth all the forms in which it may be made or all the modes of its use, what I claim is:

1. The combination with a filamentary structure having a plurality of bends, of a display mount therefor having oppositely disposed flexible tongues each extending over and under portions of said structure which are connected by a bent portion.

2. The combination with a filamentary structure having a plurality of bends, of a display mount therefor having flexible tongues extending substantially in alinement with each other, each of said tongues extending over and under portions of said structure which are connected by a bent portion.

3. The combination with a filamentary structure having a plurality of bends, of a display mount therefor having flexible tongues each interwoven with portions of said structure which are connected by a bent portion.

4. The combination with a filamentary structure having a plurality of bends, of a display mount therefor having flexible tongues each extending over and under portions of said structure which are connected by a bent portion, the free ends of said tongues being between said structure and the plane of the mount whereby they are protected from liability of being caught by extraneous objects.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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