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Napkin-Holder.

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Fig. 1.

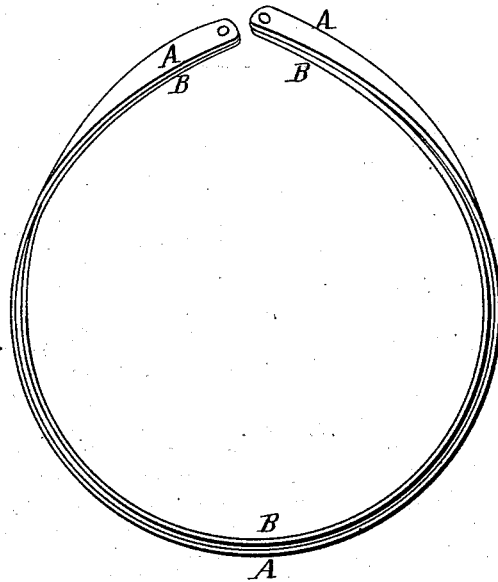
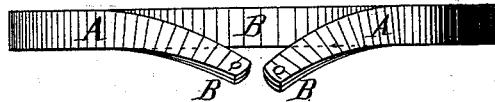


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN NAPKIN-HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEVI S. WEED, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Napkin-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved napkin-holder. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved device for holding a napkin or bib when in use, which shall be so constructed that the napkin or bib can be easily and quickly attached to and detached from the holder, and that the holder can be readily and quickly attached to and detached from the wearer, and which shall be simple in construction and inexpensive in manufacture.

The invention consists in a napkin-holder formed of two open-ring springs, placed the one within the other, pivoted to each other at their ends, and adapted by their elasticity to remain closed in circular form when left free; and in a napkin-holder formed of two open-ring springs, placed the one within the other, pivoted to each other at their ends, and adapted by their elasticity to remain closed in circular form when left free, and having their ends twisted downward and outward, as herein-after fully described.

A B are two open spring-rings, placed the one within the other, and secured and pivoted to each other at their ends, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The napkin or bib is placed in the holder by raising the middle part of the one spring above the middle part of the other

spring, inserting the napkin or bib, and then pressing the two parts together again. The springs A B are so formed that their ends will meet, or nearly meet, when the said springs are left free, and the holder is placed around and removed from the neck of the wearer by spreading the ends apart, which may be done without its being necessary to pass the hands to the back of the neck.

The ends of the two open-ring springs A B may be twisted downward and outward, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, to cause the holder to fit or rest more easily and naturally upon the shoulders, and prevent it from taking an inclined or diagonal position, which it would otherwise be inclined to do.

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

1. A napkin-holder formed of two open-ring springs, A B, placed the one within the other, pivoted to each other at their ends, and adapted by their elasticity to remain closed in circular form when left free, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. A napkin-holder formed of two open-ring springs, A B, placed the one within the other, pivoted to each other at their ends, and adapted by their elasticity to remain closed in circular form when left free, and having their ends twisted downward and outward, substantially as herein shown and described.

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