

desired number of plaits in a piece of material; and any kind of ornamental stitching can be placed between the plaits.

HOLDER FOR PICTURES, STATIONERY, OR OTHER ARTICLES. — WILLIAM H. H. DICKINSON, Missoula, Mont. This holder is a combination of clamping-bars, and a screw having an orifice therein through which the clamping-bars are passed.

PICK.—WILLIAM PERRY BEVINGTON, Escondido, Cal. The inventor has devised a method for fixing a handle to a pick so as to keep the pick or point from working loose. To help secure this object, the clamping parts are made entirely of metal, thus obviating the tendency to looseness, a defect which prevails where wedges or other tightenings engage wooden surfaces.

VALVE FOR PNEUMATIC TIRES OF BICYCLES. —FRANZ RICHTER, Cologne, Germany. The construction of the valve is simple. The essential part consists of an elastic flat tube carried in a suitable manner by the valve-box connected with the pneumatic tire.

BROOM. —HOMER W. HODGE, Atlanta, Ga. This broom is designed for use in cotton and woolen factories and around machinery. With this end in view, the broom is made with metallic shields arranged in a manner to strengthen the broom and protect it from damaging contact with machine-frames.

FOLDING BED.—LEWIS B. JEFFCOTT, Manhattan, New York city. The bed proper has a section pivoted to the bed-casing at one end. To this section an end section is hinged, extending into the casing.

COCK.—JOHN MORRISON, Dubuque, Iowa. The invention provides a mechanism for permitting the adjustment of the plugs of stop and waste cocks, so that the plug may be rendered right or left handed in operation, according to the desire of the user or to the position of the cock.

WIRE-GRIP.—HARRY A. MOSSMAN, Manderson, S. D. The device is to be used for gripping and stretching fence-wires. On opposite edges of the stock convergent check-plates are mounted.

ENVELOP.—HENRY TRENCHARD, JR., Manhattan, New York city. In "tension-envelops" of the type in which a cord is secured to the back of the envelop by means of a tubular rivet, dust and dirt sometimes enter and thus soil the contents of the envelop.

ORNAMENTAL OBJECT.—EMILE BICK and CHARLES H. HAHN, 1417 State Street, New Haven, Conn. The principal object of the invention is to ornament articles in imitation of tree-bark, with knots projecting from the surface. This effect is secured by covering the object with papier-mâché while in a plastic state and embedding in the papier-mâché plugs of wood which project and are also covered with papier-mâché.

APPARATUS FOR IMPREGNATING WATER WITH GAS.—EDWIN C. WORKS, Manhattan, New York city. There are one or more receivers for the water to be impregnated. The gas is taken from one or more "bottles" by pipes to the water-receivers, and the water is then charged with the gas.

PIPE-COUPLING.—CARL EIBEE, Brooklyn, New York city. The mating sections in this apparatus can be quickly locked together and made water or fluid proof. They can be readily separated under all weather conditions. These sections have a transverse tongue-and-grooved connection. The part provided with a tongue has an offset bottom surface adapted for use when the sections are to be uncoupled, the other has offset faces adapted to be engaged by a clamping device and a latch between the two sections.

BADGE.—BENJAMIN HARRIS, Manhattan, New York city. This article has the ribbon-supporting rod pivoted at one end of the badge. A fastening-pin is parallel with the rod and pivoted to the badge between the pivot of the rod and the opposite end of the badge.

DEVICE FOR MOISTENING AND SEALING ENVELOPS.—CHARLES L. VORSE, Westley, Rhode Island. The device comprises essentially a combined water-reservoir and handle, the one end being provided with a sponge and the other with a roller. After the gummed surface has been moistened by the sponge, it is evenly and squarely sealed by means of the roller.

BILLIARD-CUE-TIP FASTENER.—WILLIAM HESS, Manhattan, New York city. The invention provides a fastener for the tips of cues, which will be practically indestructible and will permit a new one to be applied whenever the old one becomes unfit for use. The fastener comprises a plate and a blade fixed rigidly in the center thereof, with its end portions extending respectively beyond the faces of the plate.

THRILL-COUPLING.—RICHARD ECCLES, Auburn, N. Y. In this invention the shaft-shackle has the eye adjustable to any size of pivot so as to permit quick shifting and prevent the accidental dropping off of the eye from the pivot. The shaft-strap has an eye at one end, which eye has a hinged section.

COMBINATION PULLEY AND SASH BUCKLE.—JULIUS BROWER, Manhattan, New York city. The object of this invention is readily to permit the change of the device from a pulley-buckle to a sash-buckle, or vice versa. The buckles comprise separable body-members furnished with guides which receive the connecting straps when the buckle is used as a pulley-buckle.

APPAREL-DRAWERS.—JOSEPH R. WHITE, St. Josephs, Mo. This garment has a body and a waist-band, the latter lying closely around the waist, with its upper portion beneath the corset. The body of the drawers is formed at each side with approximating vertical slits producing a rear flap.

TOY.—THALEON BLAKE, Philadelphia, Penn. The toy comprises a barrel which carries a picture. A wheel mounted therein has a non-continuous web which exposes the picture as the wheel turns. To provide for rapid revolutions, there are means for assisting the application of a blast of air to the wings carried by the wheel.

PAPER BOX.—JOSEPH T. CRAW, Jersey City, N. J. This device provides a slide-box for tacks or other small articles. It is constructed from a single piece of material, and so folds and connects certain members of the piece that a tube and a sliding-tray are obtained. The tray is capable of entire withdrawal from the tube and then spreads apart, so that the contents are made accessible to inspection.

APPAREL-BELT.—AMAND WIGHARD, Jersey City, N. J. The belt contains two main sections, the rear one having loops at its end through which the sections slide. There are clips on the rear ends of the sections with an elastic attached to the clips and also to the rear section. A ribbon or tape is connected with the clips and to the rear section, being between the elastic and this section.

WINDMILL-WHEEL.—JOHN E. ALBERS, Wisner, Neb. The wings of this apparatus can be readily set at any angle, according to the force of the wind. For a strong wind, a weight is shifted in toward the fulcrum of a lever. For a light one, the operator moves the weight outward on the lever. This insures a uniform running in light or heavy winds, and without requiring the turning of the wheel out of the course in which the wind is blowing.

HORSE-CHECK.—ROBERT T. GEER, 178 West 94th Street, Manhattan, New York city. This simple horse-check comprises practically two parts, a bracket-strap and a check-rein, so arranged that a pull upon the check-rein will cause the bracket-strap to bring pressure upon the glands of the neck which lie just back of the jaw-bones and constitute the most sensitive part of a horse's neck.

Designs.

SHOE.—JAMES H. SPARKS, Chicago, Ill. The fastening line is extended in a compound curve across the instep, with the two ends terminating at opposite sides of the front center of the shoe.

PICTURE-FRAME.—WILLIAM H. HOLTZ, Brooklyn, New York city. The design consists of a Viking ship, seated in the stern of which is a cupid holding a torch. In the sail is an opening to receive the picture. Ornaments are used to heighten the artistic effect of the whole.

GAS BURNER.—LEWIS S. BROWN, Columbus, Ohio. The body of the burner is annular and is provided with a removable flanged centerpiece. The construction is such that the interior of the burner can be readily cleaned.

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