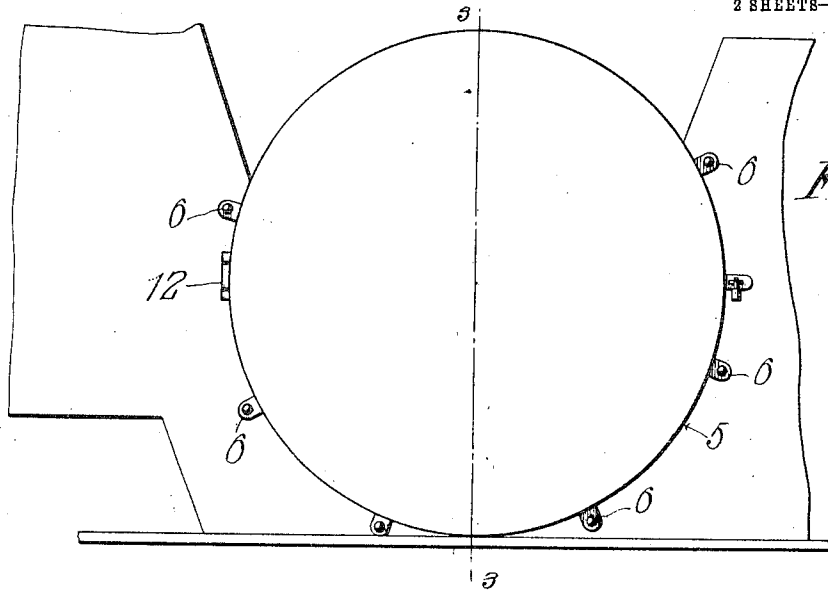


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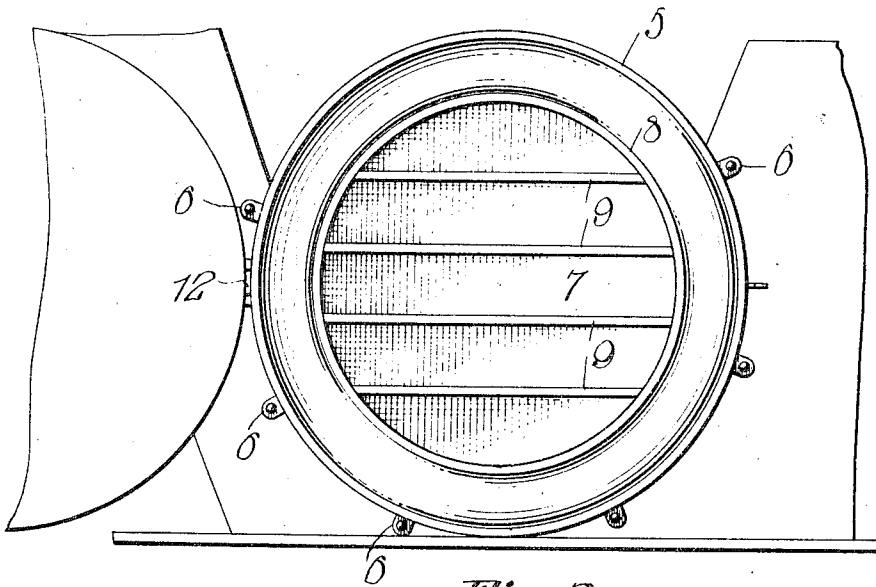
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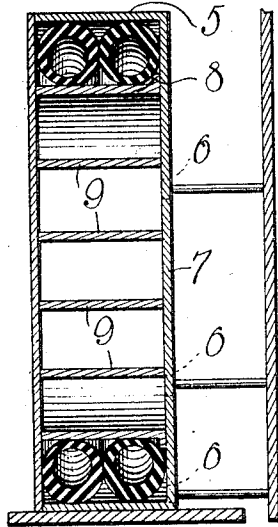
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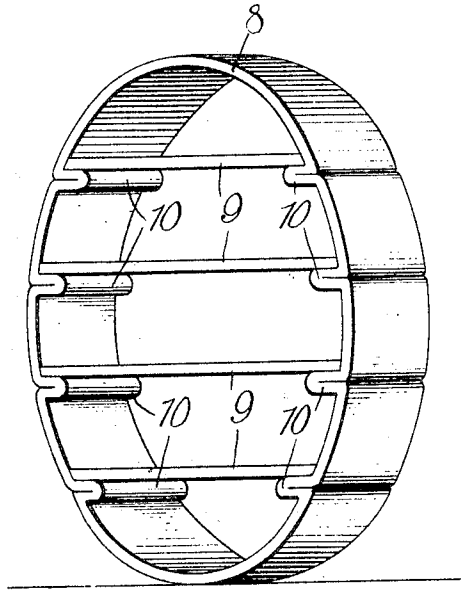
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*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIMON H. MARTIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Webster Park, in the county of St. Louis City, State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Automobiles; and I 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.

My invention relates to an improvement in receptacles which are adapted to be attached to vehicles and more especially to that class of vehicles known as "motor vehicles".

One of the objects of my invention is to provide an attachment for automobiles whereby auxiliary tires, tools and other articles may be carried in an inclosed case, thus obviating the danger of losing by accident or theft the above mentioned articles.

Another object is to utilize a heretofore wasted space for the carrying of said articles.

Heretofore it has been the practice to carry auxiliary tires strapped to the body of the vehicle itself or to a metal rack, thus exposing the tires to the effects of the weather. I overcome this objectionable feature by constructing a light, durable, sheet metal casing, substantially the same shape as the tires to be carried, said casing comprising an outer and inner rim, the tires resting and being supported upon the inner rim, the space within the inner rim being shelved off thus forming separate compartments for sundry articles.

In the drawings:—Figure 1 is a front elevation of my invention attached to a vehicle. Fig. 2 is a similar view, showing the door of the receptacle open. Fig. 3 is a vertical section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a detail view of a modification of the inner rim of my receptacle.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout the different views.

The receptacle comprises an outer casing or housing as indicated by the numeral 5, said casing being formed in substantially cylindrical shape. Secured about the periphery of said casing 5 at spaced intervals are the ears 6, through which means for attaching the receptacle to the vehicle body are passed. A plate 7 which may be made integral with the casing 5 or separately se-

cured thereto is adapted to form a rear or back inclosing member for the said casing.

Secured to the inner face of the plate 7 is the inner rim or casing 8, said casing being provided with a flange at its rear end whereby it may be securely fastened to said plate 7. This inner casing or rim 8 is concentric with the outer casing 5, the space between the two rims forming an annular tire-receiving chamber.

Within the space inclosed by the rim or casing 8, shelves 9 are secured by any desirable means. In Fig. 4 I have shown a detailed view of one means of placing the shelves therein, namely, by forming the rim or casing with inwardly extending pairs of oppositely arranged folds 10 or indentations upon which the shelves may rest.

Hinged to one side of the front face of the outer casing 5, is the door or closing member 12, said door being provided with any preferred type of fastening device for retaining it in closed position.

The auxiliary tires as above stated are placed within the chamber formed by the spaced arrangement of the two concentric rims or casings. The space inclosed by the inner casing or rim is divided up into compartments of any desired shape or size by means of shelves 9. The shelves 9 may be held in position by any desired means but, preferably by the pairs of folds 10 shown in Fig. 4.

What is claimed is—

A tire receptacle arranged for attachment to a motor vehicle and comprising inner and outer concentrically arranged annuli, the inner annulus having a diameter less than that of the outer annulus, whereby a tire-receiving chamber is formed between said annuli, the inner annulus being formed of a single piece of metal folded upon itself at successive points in its length so as to form a series of pairs of inwardly-extending oppositely-arranged projections, and a series of shelves having their ends resting respectively upon corresponding projections on opposite sides of the vertical diameter of said inner annulus.

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

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