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Hat and Coat Hook.

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Fig: 2.

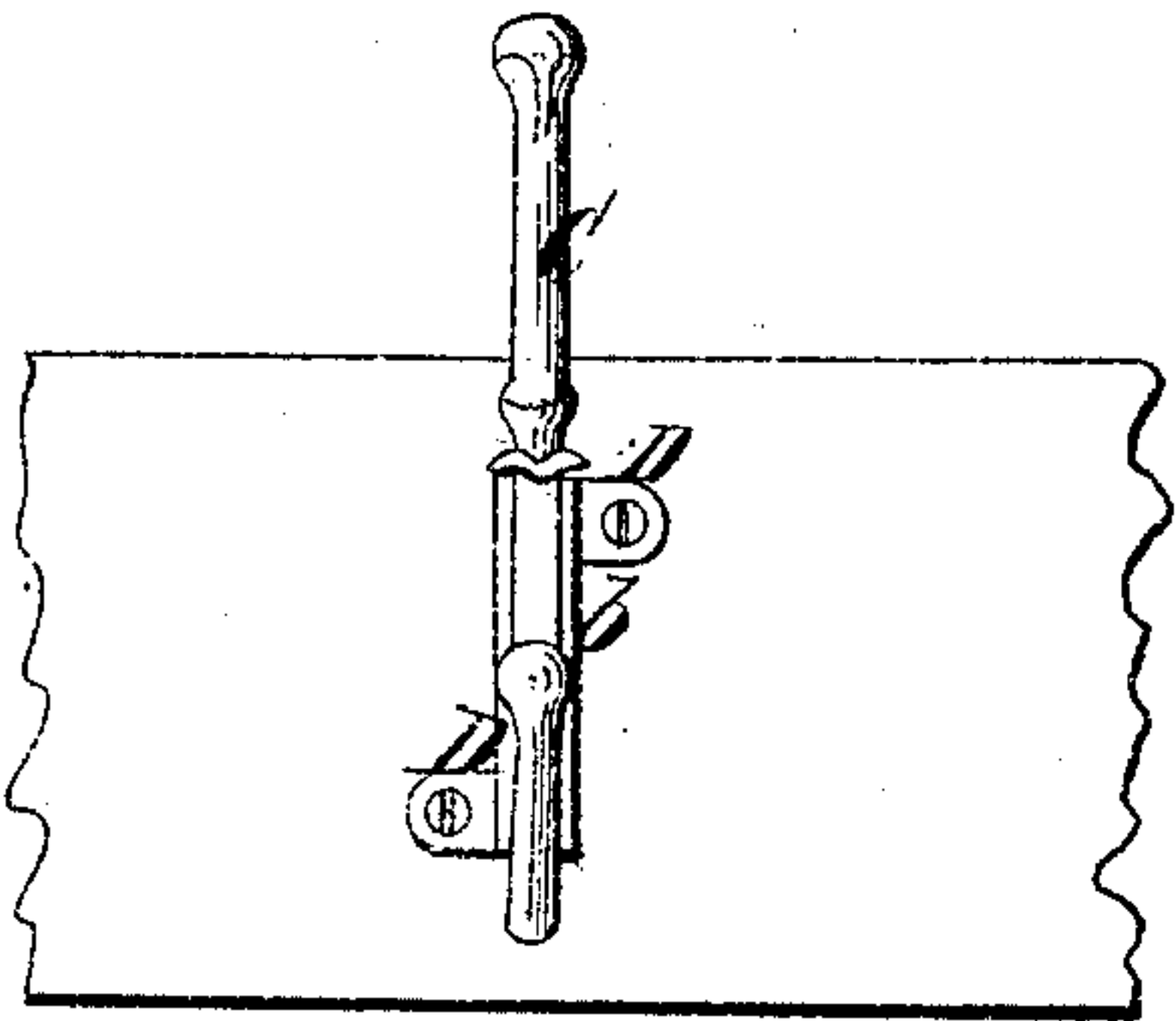
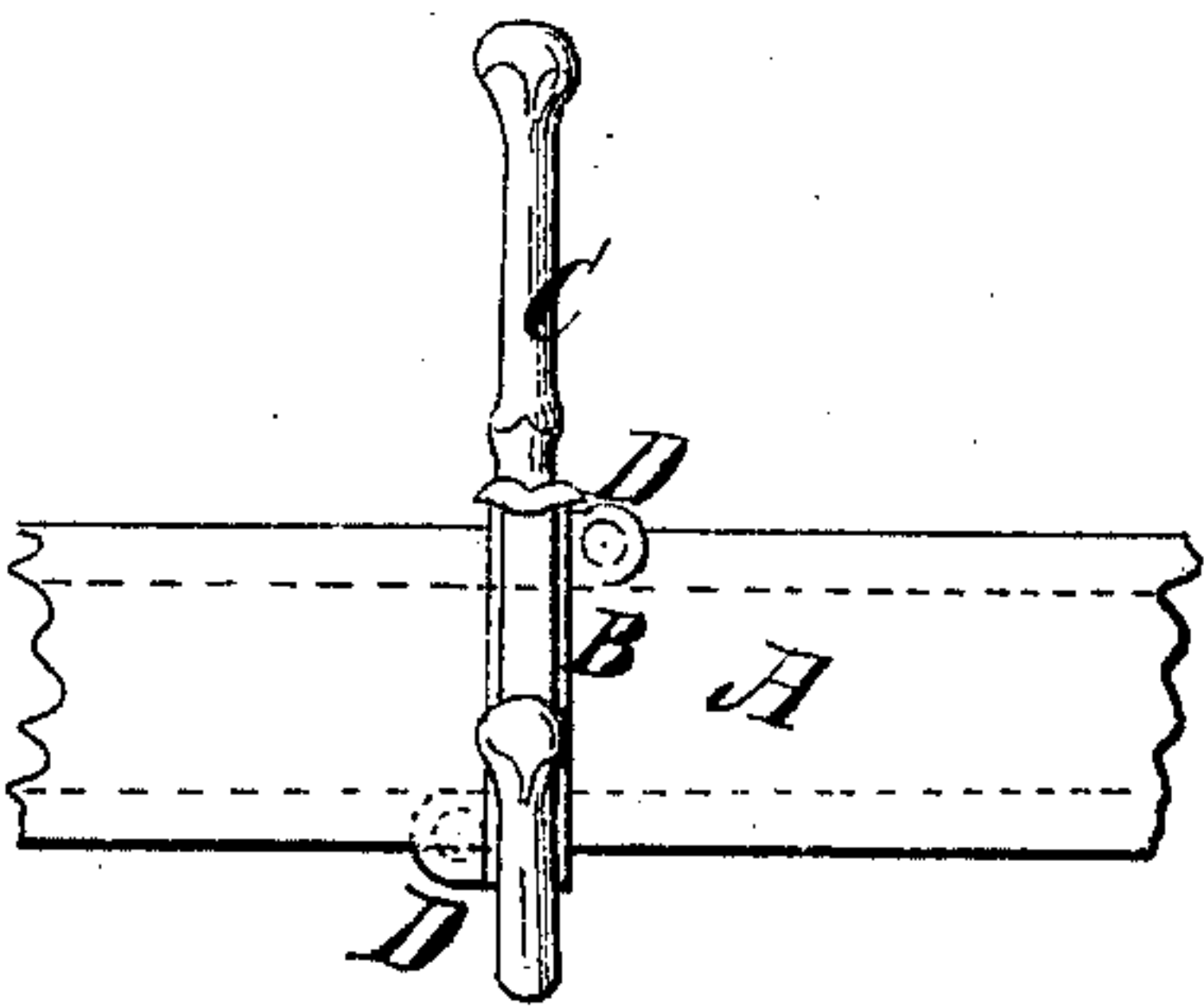


Fig: 3.



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Fig: 1.



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IMPROVED COAT AND HAT HOOK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, G. F. J. COLBURN, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and Improved Coat and Hat Hook; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a sectional side elevation of this invention. Figs. 2 and 3 are front elevations of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

This invention consists in a T-shaped rail or slip of wood, or any other suitable material, fastened to the wall, and applied, in combination with a U-shaped bracket, attached to or cast solid with a coat and hat hook in such a manner that when said T-shaped slip is secured in the desired locality to a wall any desired number of hooks can be readily slid on it and be adjusted at the desired distance apart, and whenever it may be desirable said hooks can be removed instantaneously without disturbing the rail or removing a screw. Suitable side flanges projecting from the U-shaped bracket afford the opportunity to secure the hook by means of screws in the ordinary manner.

A represents a slip, of wood or other suitable material, made in the form of a T, or provided with suitable grooves to receive the hooked end or ends of a U-shaped or double-U-shaped bracket, B, which is cast solid with or otherwise secured to the hook C.

In the drawings a T-shaped slip is shown; but it is obvious that the same effect would be produced if the slip would be made with a groove in its upper and one in its lower edge, to receive the end or ends of the bracket.

The bracket shown in the drawings is double-U-shaped, but in some cases a simple U-shaped bracket, catching in a suitable groove or recess in the top edge of the slip or rail A, would answer the desired purpose, though it is obvious that by the use of a double U-shaped bracket a firm hold is given to the

hook which cannot be given to it by the use of a single U-shaped bracket. The rail or slip A is secured in the desired position on a wall, or wherever it may be convenient, and the hooks are slid on and adjusted at the desired distance apart. No screws or nails are required to fasten the hooks, and they can be readily adjusted at the desired distance apart according to the clothes or other articles to be hung up on the same, and whenever it may be desirable one or more of the hooks, or all, may be removed without disturbing the rail or slip A.

In order to fasten the hook C to a plain slip of wood, or to a post, or to any other locality where a grooved or T-shaped rail or slip cannot be conveniently put up, I have provided two flanges, D, projecting from the opposite sides of the bracket B, as clearly shown in Figs. 2 and 3. These side flanges are perforated with holes to admit screws or nails, and they are so situated in relation to the bracket that the hook can be readily slid on the T-shaped rail, as shown in Fig. 3.

In practice the flanges, the bracket, and the hook will all be cast solid, and a hook can thus be produced which can be attached to any convenient place like an ordinary hook, or which can be readily slid on a grooved or T-shaped rail wherever such a rail may be put up. If the hook is made with a single-U-shaped bracket, it can be steadied by a projection or spike.

It will be perceived that a loop on the flange of the hook may be made to traverse upon a plain square bar and answer in some respects the same purposes as the T-shaped rail with its double or single hooked flange.

I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The T-shaped or grooved slip or rail A, applied in combination with the U shaped or double U-shaped bracket B, or their equivalent, a plain square rail and loop, and hook C, in the manner and for the purpose substantially as set forth.

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