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Fig. 1.

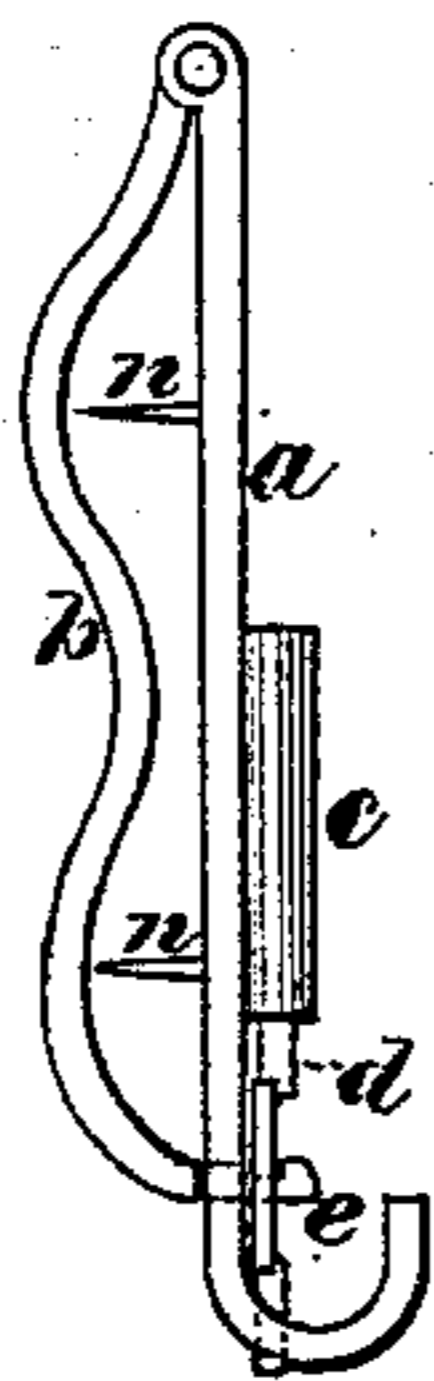


Fig. 2.

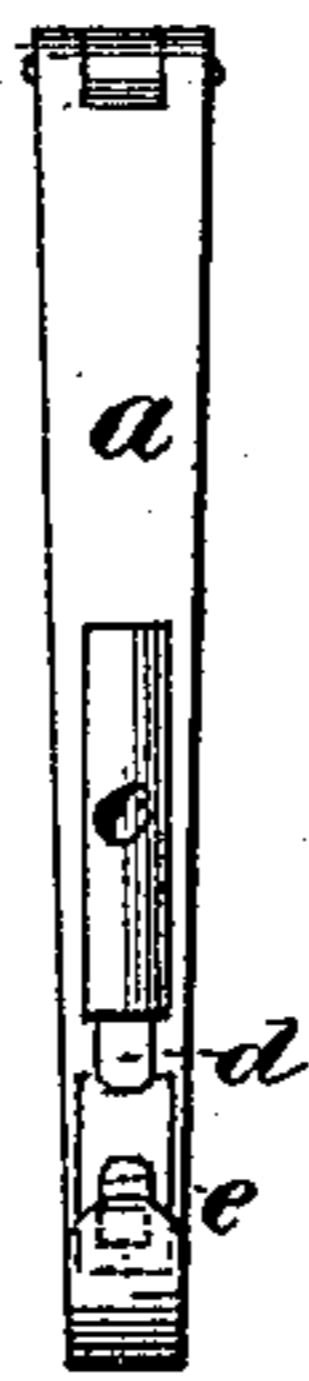
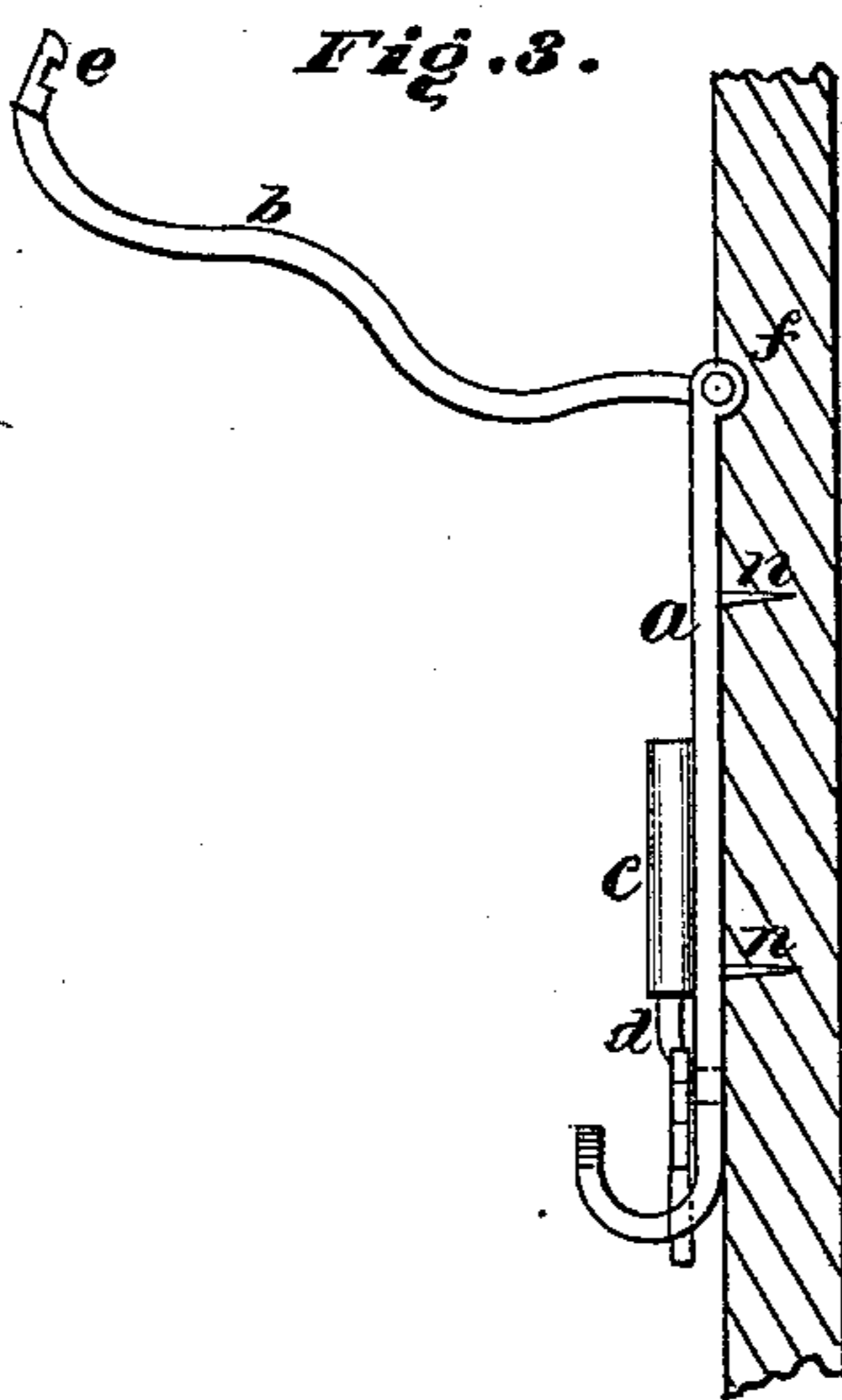


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HAT AND CLOTHES HOOKS.

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Specification describing an Improvement in Clothes-Hooks, invented by THOMAS BOWERMAN, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey.

My invention consists in the construction of a hook to hang a hat, coat, and other clothing upon, which can be carried in the vest-pocket, can be instantly attached to any wood-work, and easily removed therefrom.

Figure 1 is the hook folded for the pocket. Fig. 2 is a front view of the same, and Fig. 3 is the hook attached to wood-work.

The two parts *a* and *b* are hinged together, so that when open *b* is supported in the position shown in Fig. 3 by the butting of the hinge. Upon the back of *a* are pins *n*, of steel, slender and sharp, that can, with ease, be pressed into wood-work *f*, and will hold the hook in the position shown in Fig. 3; and sus-

tain a weight of clothing upon the hook at the lower end of *a* of from fifteen to twenty pounds, with hats or caps in addition upon the part *b*. In front, upon *a*, is a small tube, *c*, containing a spiral spring, forcing down the latch *d*, that by the catch *e* holds the part *b* as a shield over the pins *n*, securely to the part *a*, when closed as in Fig. 1.

What I claim is—

As an article of manufacture, a pocket hat and clothes hook, composed of the parts *a* and *b* hinged together, the catch *e*, and bolt *c*, and rear pins *n*, all as shown and described, as and for the purpose set forth.

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