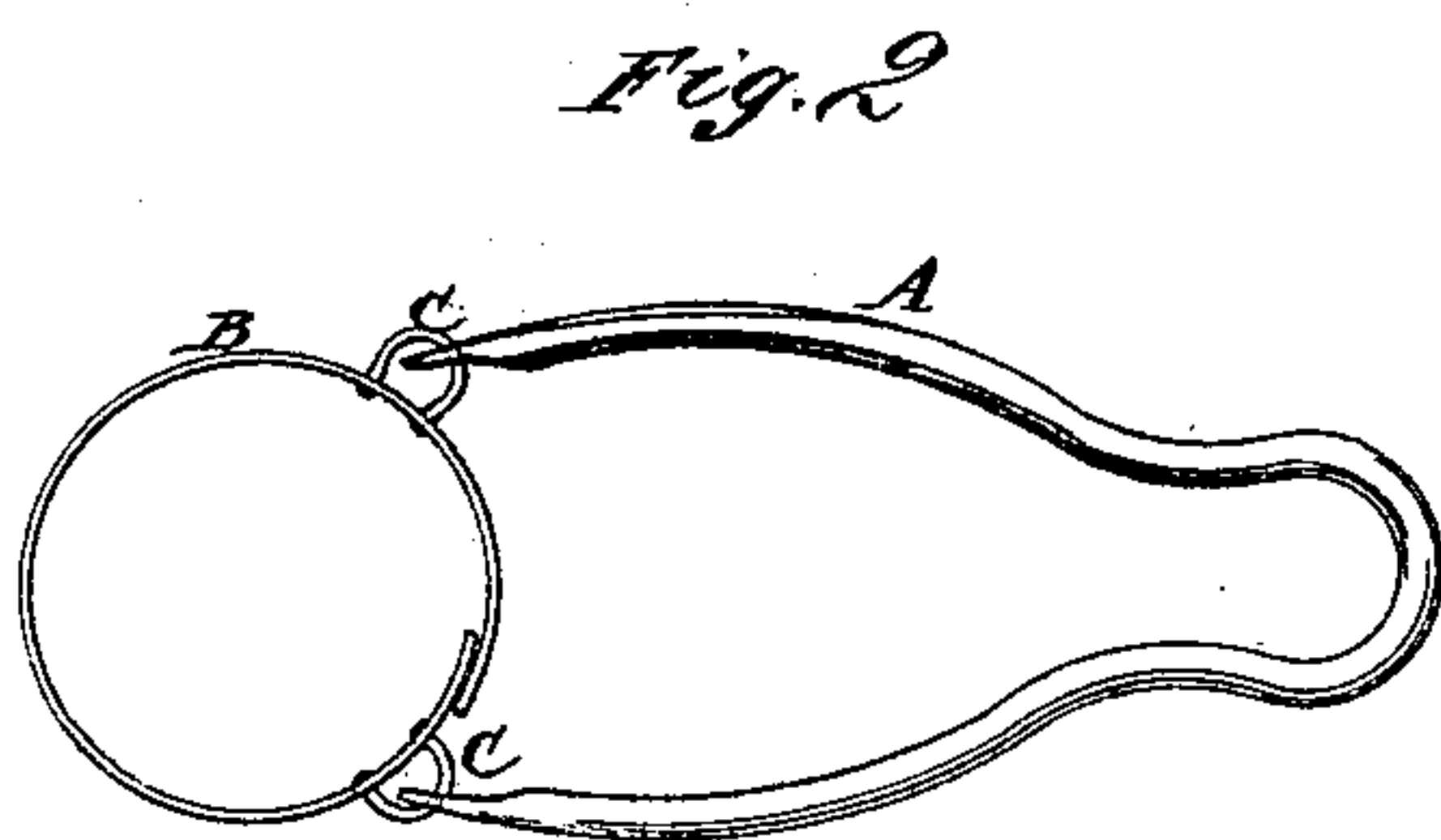
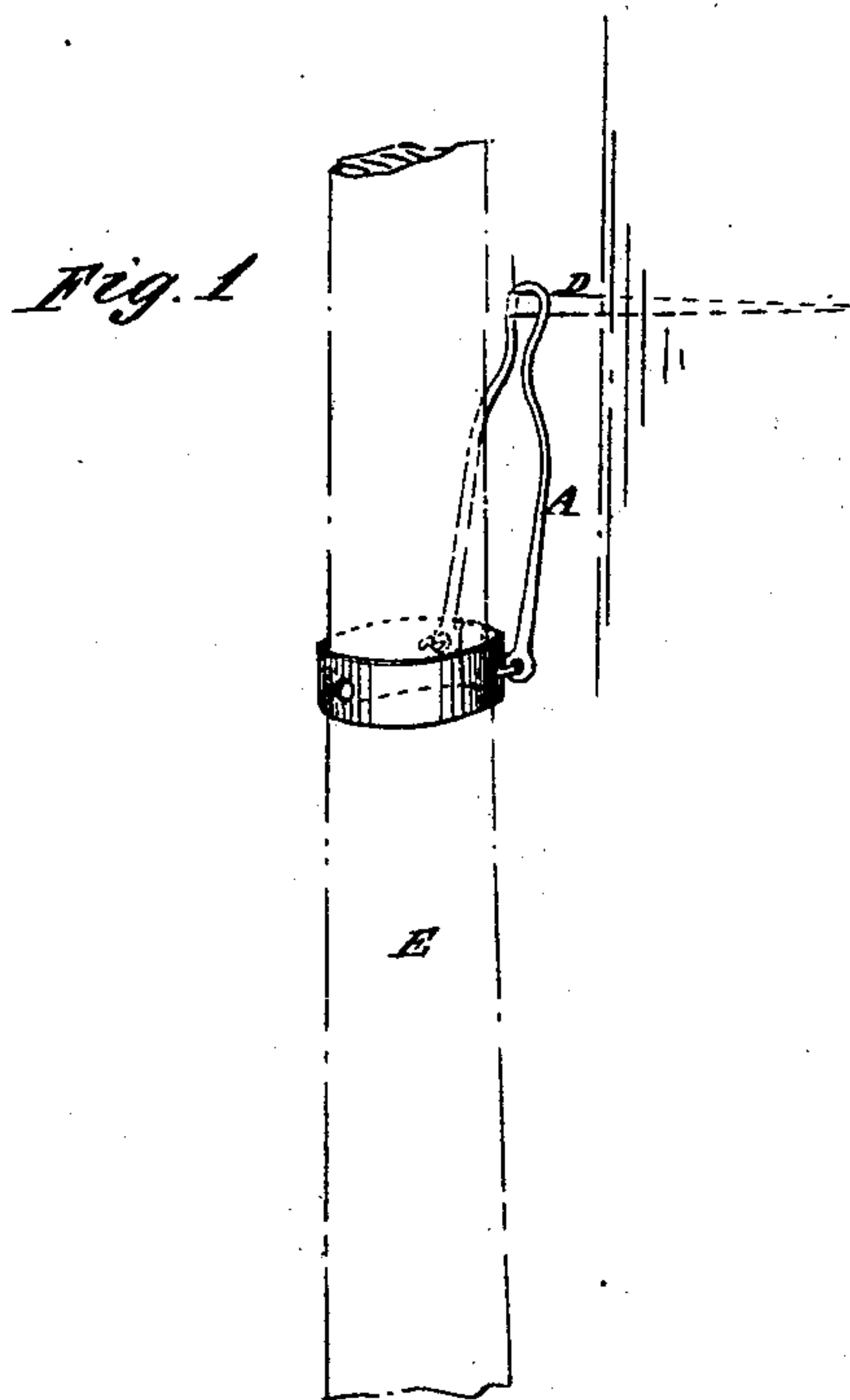


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IMPROVEMENT IN BROOM-HANGERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY A. CLIFFORD, of the city of Boston, county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Broom-Hanger; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved hanger for brooms and a portion of a broom-handle. Fig. 2 is a top view of the hanger.

A represents a metallic spring-loop, and B an open spring-band, the two being connected by eyes C. This band is made large enough to receive the small end of a handle, E, so as to hold it by friction. The loop A is hung upon a nail, D, and thus suspends the broom.

The ends of spring A, being attached to band-spring near its ends, when the latter overlap, exercise a constant tension to keep them together, while the band itself, being stretched when applied to the broom or other article, holds it tightly. When one broom is worn out it is readily removed and applied to another.

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

The two expansible springs A B, combined in the manner described, to form a hanger for brooms and other articles.

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