

E. A. GOODES.  
 Combined Hanger and Support for Signs.  
 No. 223,224.      Patented Jan. 6, 1880.

Fig. 1.

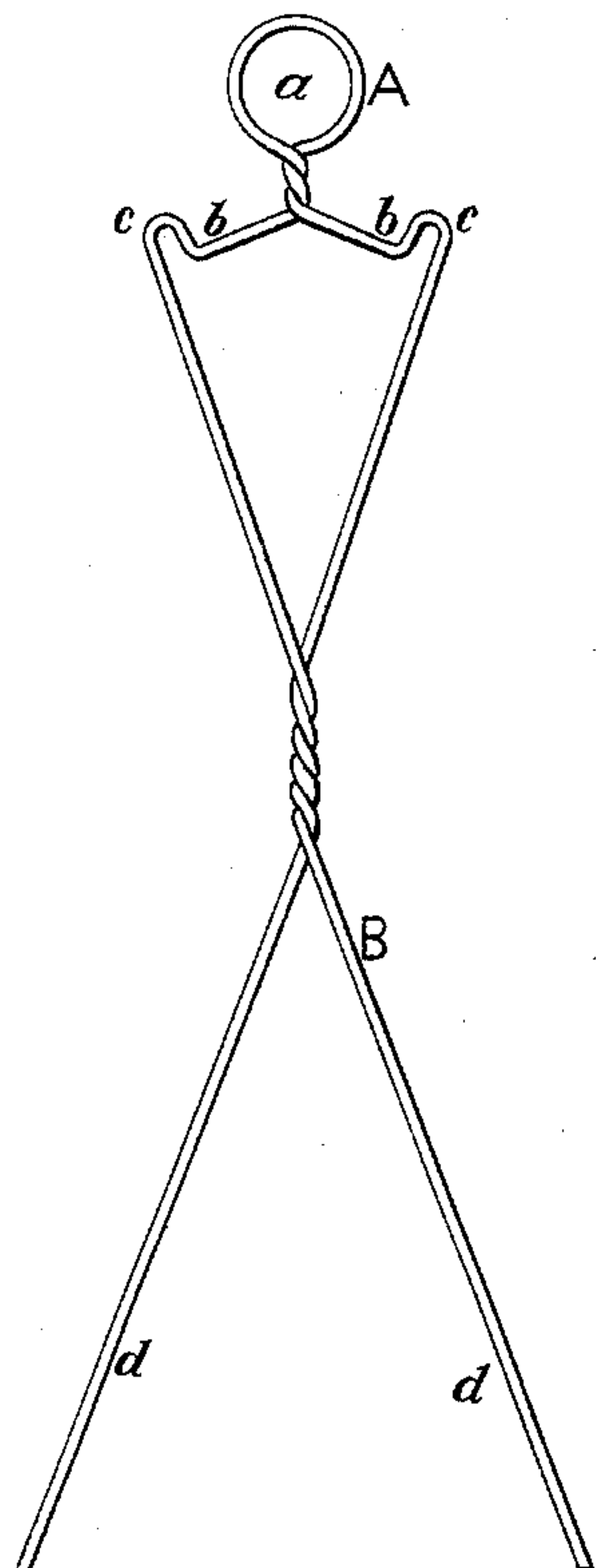
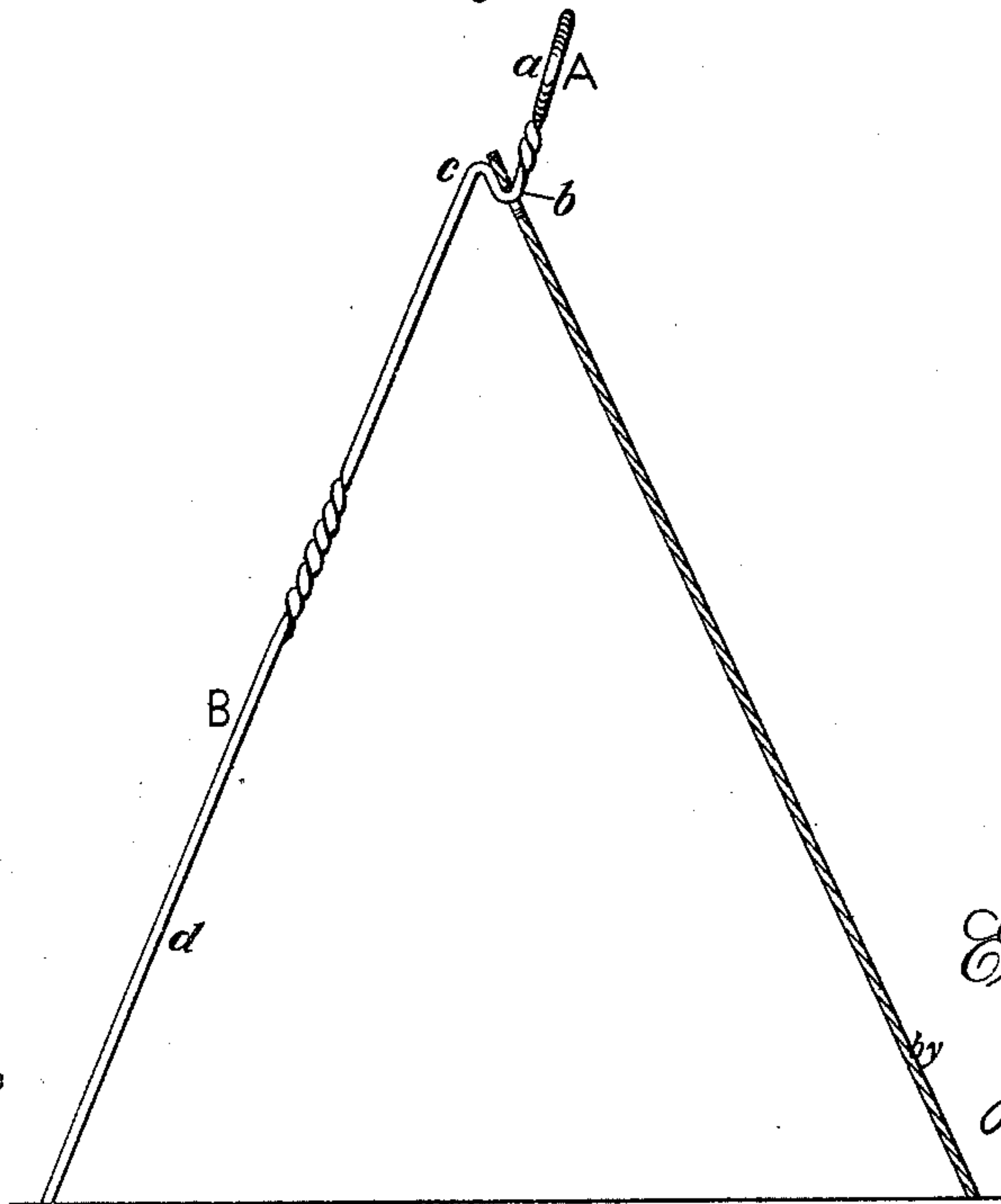


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.



Witnesses:  
 A. P. Grant,  
 W. F. Kircher

Inventor:  
 Ebenezer A. Goodes,  
 John A. Diederichs,  
 ATTORNEY.

# UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

EBENEZER A. GOODES, OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, ASSIGNOR TO  
WELLS & HOPE COMPANY, OF SAME PLACE.

## COMBINED HANGER AND SUPPORT FOR SIGNS.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 223,224, dated January 6, 1880.

Application filed November 10, 1879.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EBENEZER A. GOODES, of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hangers and Supports for Signs, Pictures, &c., which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a face view of the hanger and support embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a face view of a card or placard having my invention applied to it. Fig. 3 is a section thereof in line *x x*, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

My invention consists of a combined hanger and support or foot adapted to be applied to a sign, picture, placard, and similar articles, the construction being such that the article may be suspended from the hanger or stood on the foot, and its displacement prevented in either case.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the hanger, and B the support or foot, the same consisting of a continuous piece of wire bent to form a top ring, *a*, hooks *b* at the bottom thereof, shoulders *c* adjacent to the hook, and legs *d*, said shoulders *c* being thus at the top of the legs.

The sign or other article to be hung and supported is formed with two openings, *e e*, at top, through which the legs *d* are passed. The shoulders *c* are also passed through the openings *e*, so as to appear behind the sign, and the hook portions *b* enter the openings *e*.

It will be seen that as the sign depends from

the hooks *b* about the openings *e*, the top ring is so disposed that it may be hung on a nail, pin, or other like support, and thus suspend the sign in a convenient and simple manner, the foot B being covered and concealed by the sign.

When it is desired to support the sign, say, after the manner of an easel, the sign, if hung, is taken down from its nail and the foot moved rearward, the hooks serving as a fulcrum. The shoulders *c* abut against the top of the sign, and the hooks *b* bind against the walls of the openings *e*, so that the sign may be stood on a table, mantel-piece, shelf, or elsewhere in an inclined position, as shown in Fig. 3, without liability of slipping or overturning.

It will be noticed that the hanger and foot are connected to the sign without hinges, ears, or other fastenings, a simple and inexpensive device thus being produced.

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

1. The combined hanger and foot formed of the top ring *a*, and legs *d*, with the intermediate hooks, *b*, and shoulders *c*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combined hanger A and foot B, in combination with the sign or other article having openings *e*, whereby said hanger and foot appear on opposite sides of the article, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

EBENEZER A. GOODES.

Witnesses:

JOHN A. WIEDERSHEIM,  
A. P. GRANT.