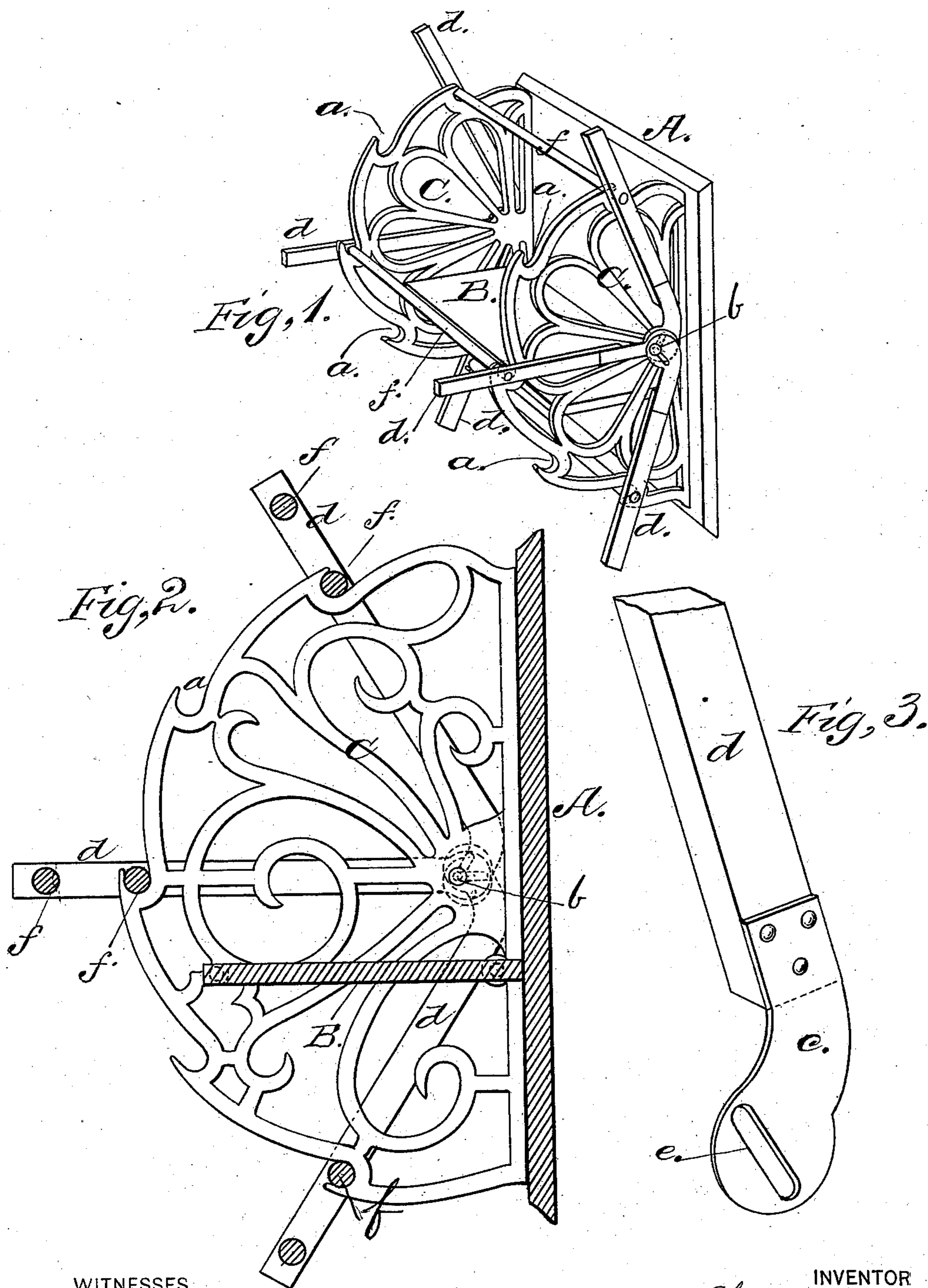


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELBRIDGE B. SIMS, of Antwerp, in the county of Jefferson and State of New York, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Shelf-Bracket Clothes-Racks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a perspective view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical central section thereof, and Fig. 3 is a detail.

The nature of the invention consists in a clothes-rack having a back-board, shelf, and side pieces, the latter being provided with rounded outer edges, having spaced notches, and the pivoted, slotted, and endwise-movable racks engaging a bearing on the side pieces, as hereinafter shown and described.

In the annexed drawings, the letter A designates the back-board, and B the shelf, secured thereto in any suitable manner. This shelf is designed to be from two to three feet long and of suitable width.

C represents metallic castings having a semi-circular outline, provided with spaced notches *a*, and usually made in open-work. These castings are secured to the ends of the shelf and back-board and extend partly above and partly below the former. Extending out from the

castings is a bearing, *b*, upon which are pivoted, by means of the bearing, plates *c*, attached to the racks *d*.

Plates *c* are slotted, as shown at *e*, for the purpose of giving the arms *d* a degree of endwise play. These arms are connected together by rods *f*, extending across the rack and arranged usually from five to six inches apart.

When either pair of arms is drawn out endwise the inner rod, *f*, will clear the rounded edge of the side castings, and that particular rack adjusted in any desired position, which being effected, it may be there secured by thrusting it back endwise with the rod *f* engaged in its appropriate notch *a*.

The shelf is appropriated more especially to airing collars, cuffs, and other small articles; but its many uses will readily suggest themselves.

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

The clothes-rack consisting of the back-board A, shelf B, side pieces, C, having rounded outer edges provided with spaced notches *a*, and the pivoted, slotted, and endwise-movable racks *d* *f*, engaging the bearing *b* on said side pieces, substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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