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Fig. 1.

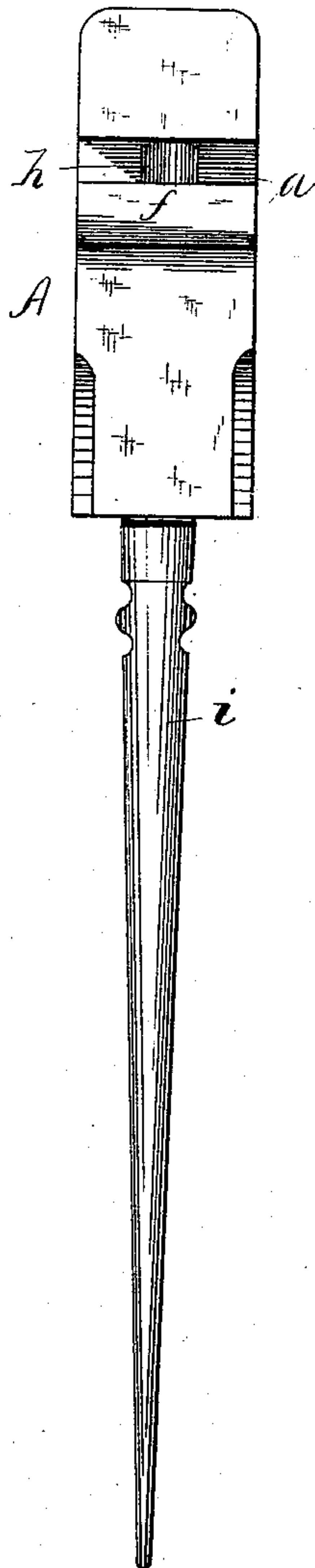
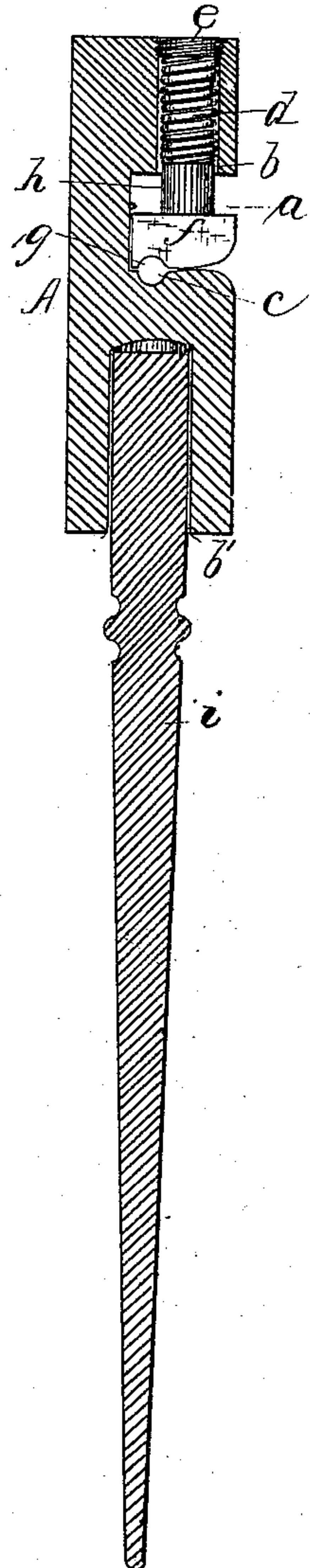


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, GEO. E. MEEKER and E. R. FISHER, citizens of the United States, residing at West Meriden, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Props; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to an improvement in clothes-line props; and it consists in the combination and arrangement of its parts, whereby a most efficient and useful device is constructed, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of our improvement, and Fig. 2 is a sectional view thereof.

A represents the prop-head of my device, having located therein the vertical orifice *b* for reception of the spiral spring *d* and bolt *h*, and the vertical orifice *b'* for reception of the pole *i*.

The recess *a* is grooved on its lower face, and a corresponding groove is formed upon the under side of the jaw *f* for reception of the clothes-line, which prevents the line from being withdrawn from the jaw at whatever angle it may be stretched or projected from the prop-head.

The adjustable jaw *f* is guided by the vertical bolt *h*, which is rigidly secured to it and moves in the orifice *b*, and it is actuated by the spiral spring *d* located in said orifice, the spring being retained therein by the screw-cap *e*.

The pole *i* is pointed at bottom for insertion in the earth, and is rigidly secured in position thereby.

What we claim is—

A clothes-prop having its prop-head and pole removably connected and a sliding jaw actuated by a bolt impelled by a spring, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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