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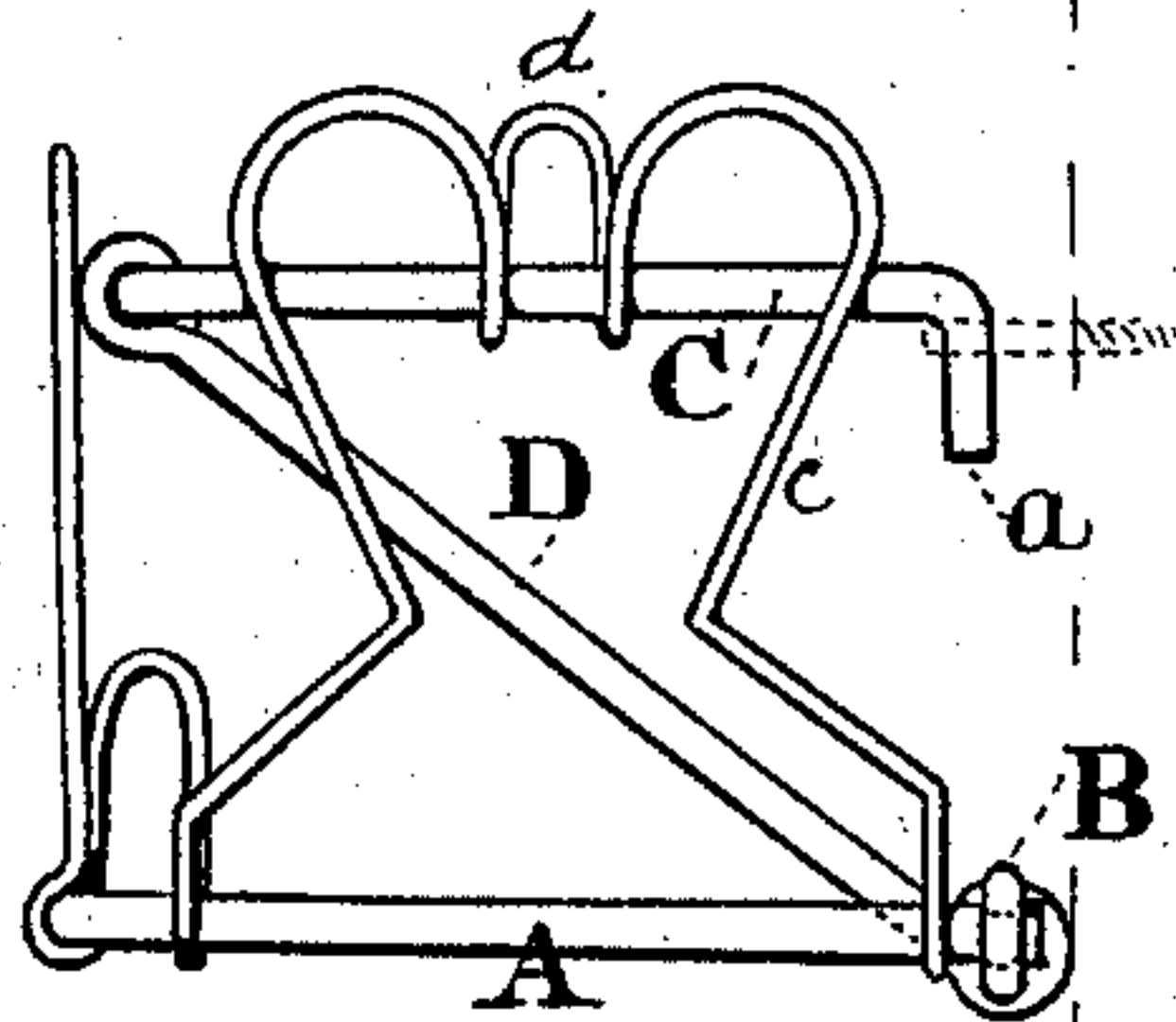


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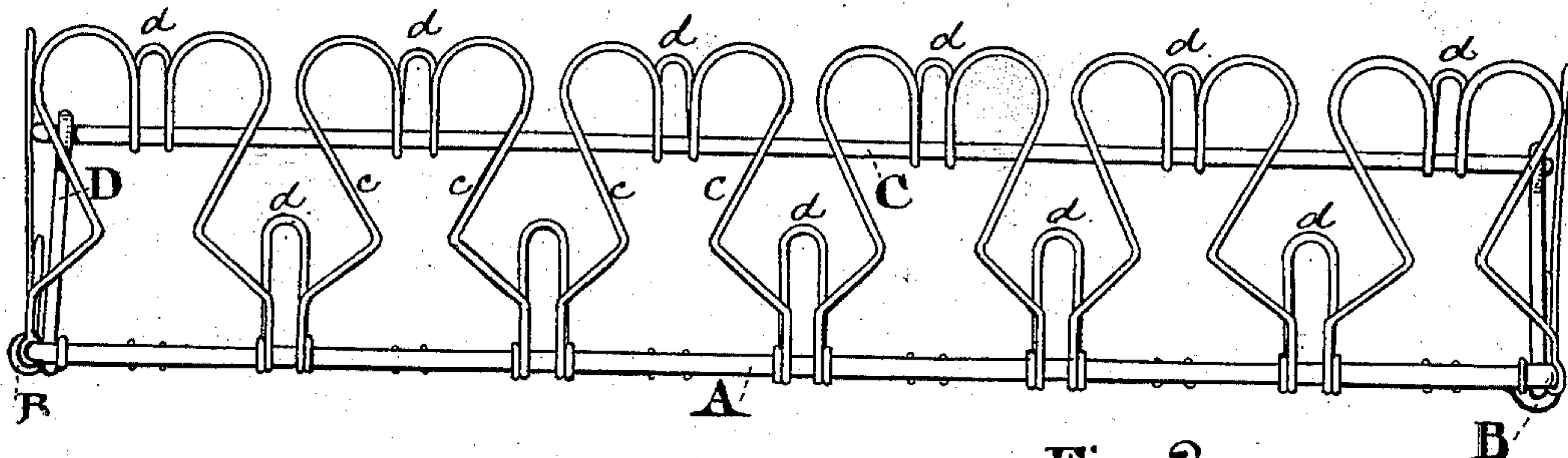


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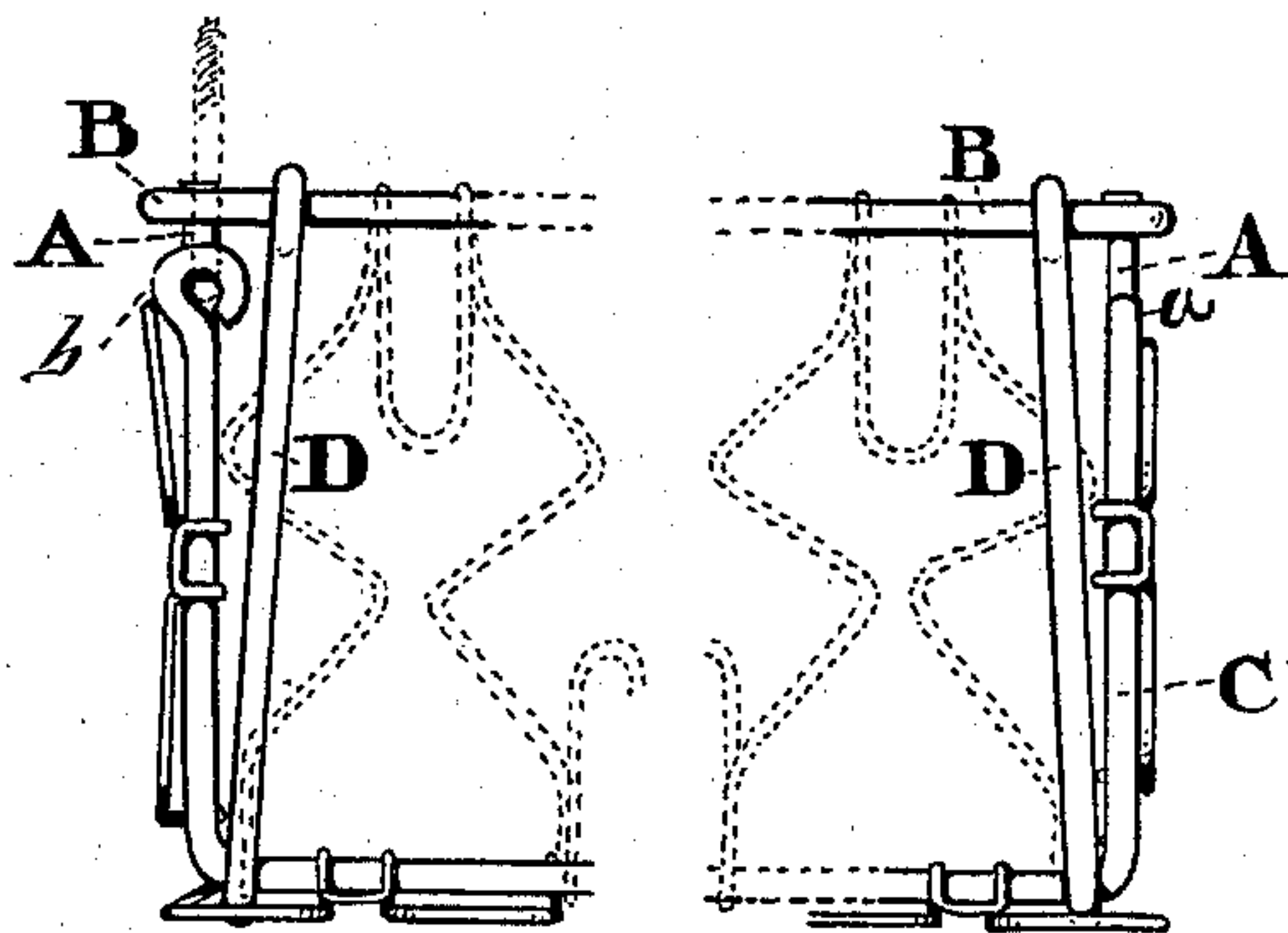


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WIRE WINDOW-RACK FOR FLOWER-POTS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY R. VAN EPS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Peoria, in the county of Peoria and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wire Window-Racks for Flower-Pots; and I 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 the letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is an end view of my improved wire window-rack; Fig. 2, a front elevation, and Fig. 3 a plan view.

Like letters in all the figures of the drawings indicate like parts.

The object of this invention is to provide an ornamental wire rack of a simple and light construction that can be readily handled and attached to the window-frame for holding flower-pots for exposing the flowers to the sun and air and avoid wetting and soiling the window-sills when watering the flowers, as will be hereinafter more fully explained.

The rack consists of a top rod, C, and a bottom rod, A, bent at right angles at their ends to form the ends of the rack, rod C having one end formed with a hook, *a*, and the other with an eye, *b*, or both may be formed with hooks or eyes, as may be desired. The ends of rod A are secured by those of rod B, which are bent around and made rigidly fast thereto. Inclined brace-rods D D are placed on the inside of the rack, next to the ends thereof, the ends of which rods are bent around and made rigidly fast to rods B and C, which rods D D, in connection with any suitable wire-work fastened to the rods A, B, and C, will give the required strength and support to the frame-work, thus constituting the rack.

The object of making one end of rod C with a hook and the other with an eye is that the eye end of the rod will permit the rack to be freely swung down for cleaning the window-

sill without the liability of its becoming released from the hook in the window-frame, the hooked end of the rod permitting that end of the rack to be readily detached from the eye for that purpose.

The front, ends, and bottom of the frame-work of the rack are covered with wire-work of an ornamental character, the front and ends being of one continuous piece of wire, beginning with the bottom end of rod A, and made to form loops *c* of a triangular shape, and smaller loops, *d*, above and below, which loops *d* are lapped over the rods A and C, and thus secure the wire-work to the frame of the rack. The bottom of the rack is formed in a similar manner, the wire extending across and looped over the rods A and B.

To attach the rack to a window-frame a hook is screwed into one side thereof and an eye into the opposite side. The eye end of the rack is then slipped over the hook and the hooked end into the eye at the opposite side. The rack is thus secured to the window-frame.

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

1. The rack consisting of rods A, B, and C, rods A and C being bent at right angles to form the ends of the rack, the ends of rods C terminating with a hook, *a*, and eye *b*, to attach the rack to a window-frame, and the ends of rod A connected by rod B, the whole secured and strengthened by wire-work formed into loops *c d* and fastened to the rods, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The wire-work consisting of loops *c* and *d*, as shown and described, of one continuous piece of wire to form the front and ends of the rack, loops *d* being made to lap over rods A and C above and below to secure the wire-work, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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