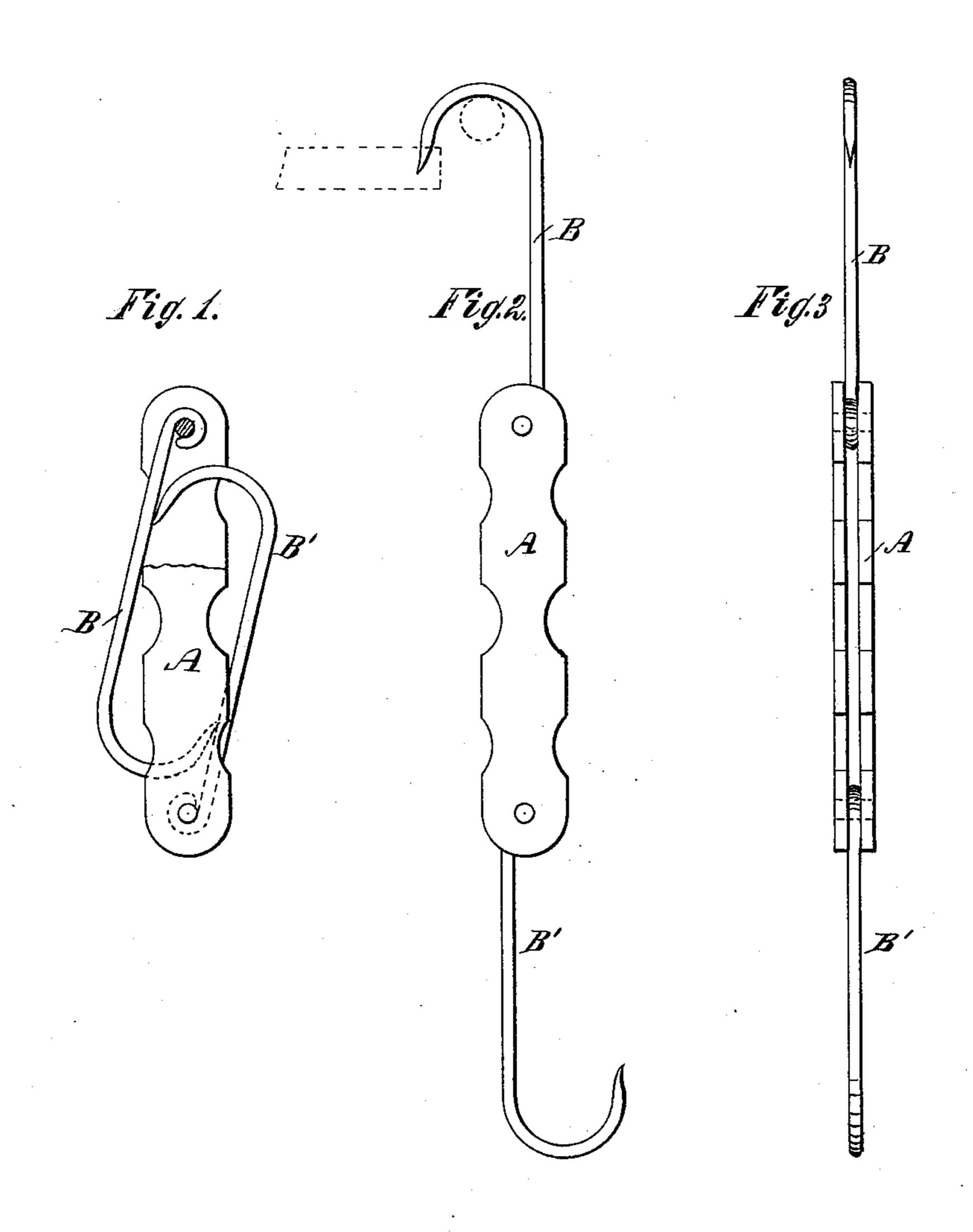
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Thomas McDonald, of Austin, in the county of Travis and State of Texas, have invented a new and Improved Pocket-Hanger for Hats and Coats, of which the following is a description.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient and efficient pocket device for hanging up overcoats and hats and similar garments and wrappings against the wall or upon the backs of opera-chairs or church-pews or similar places.

My invention consists of a suitable body or stock provided with suitable hooks which are adapted to close into the body or stock.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation of my invention with the hooks closed. Fig. 2 is a side elevation with the hooks open ready for use, and Fig. 3 is an edge view with the hooks open.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A represents the body or stock, which may be of any suitable material; and B-B' represent the hooks, which, in this instance, are hinged to the ends of the body or stock, and are adapted to be folded within it, as shown in Fig. 2. One of the hooks, B' for instance, should be of the best steel and made very sharp and of such an angle at the front that when placed against the wall the weight of

the hat or coat or cloak, shawl, or other article placed upon the other hook will cause it to be embedded in the wall sufficiently to support the article.

In case the device should not be intended for engagement with the wall or other perpendicular object or support, but only for suspending the garment from some object like an opera-chair or church-pew, neither of the hooks 40 need be very sharp, but only bent so as to hold the garment and catch over and upon the support.

By means of this device the annoyance of holding the hat or placing it on the floor, or 45 wearing or sitting upon the overcoat, or providing and wearing garments which cannot be soiled beyond recovery by such treatment, is wholly overcome.

The device when folded is small and compact and may be carried in the vest-pocket.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a hat-holder consisting of the two parallel plates A, consisting of the two parallel plates A, consected at each end by a rivet, and the two hooks B B', pivoted on said rivets and turned in opposite directions, as shown and described.

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