

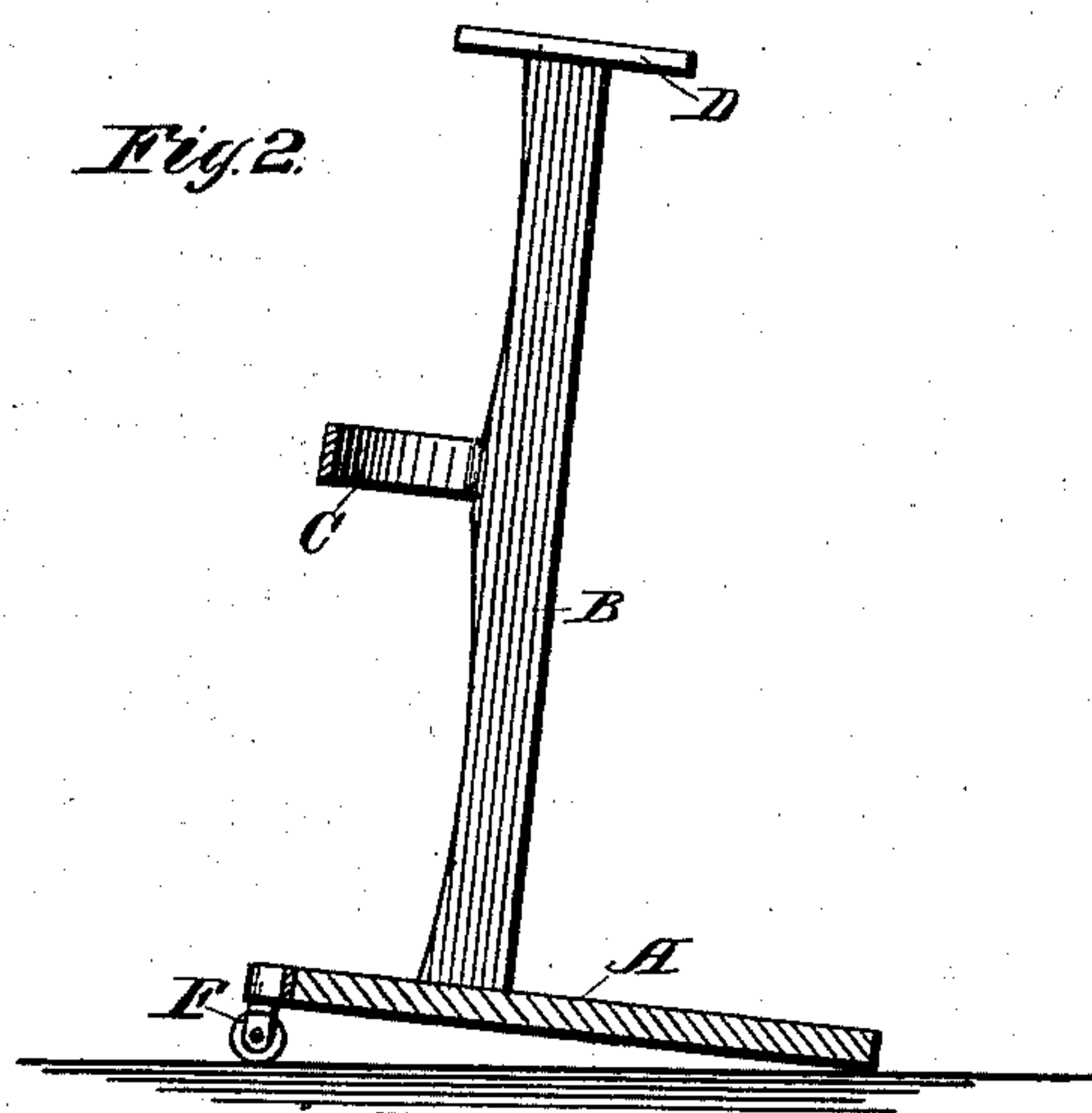
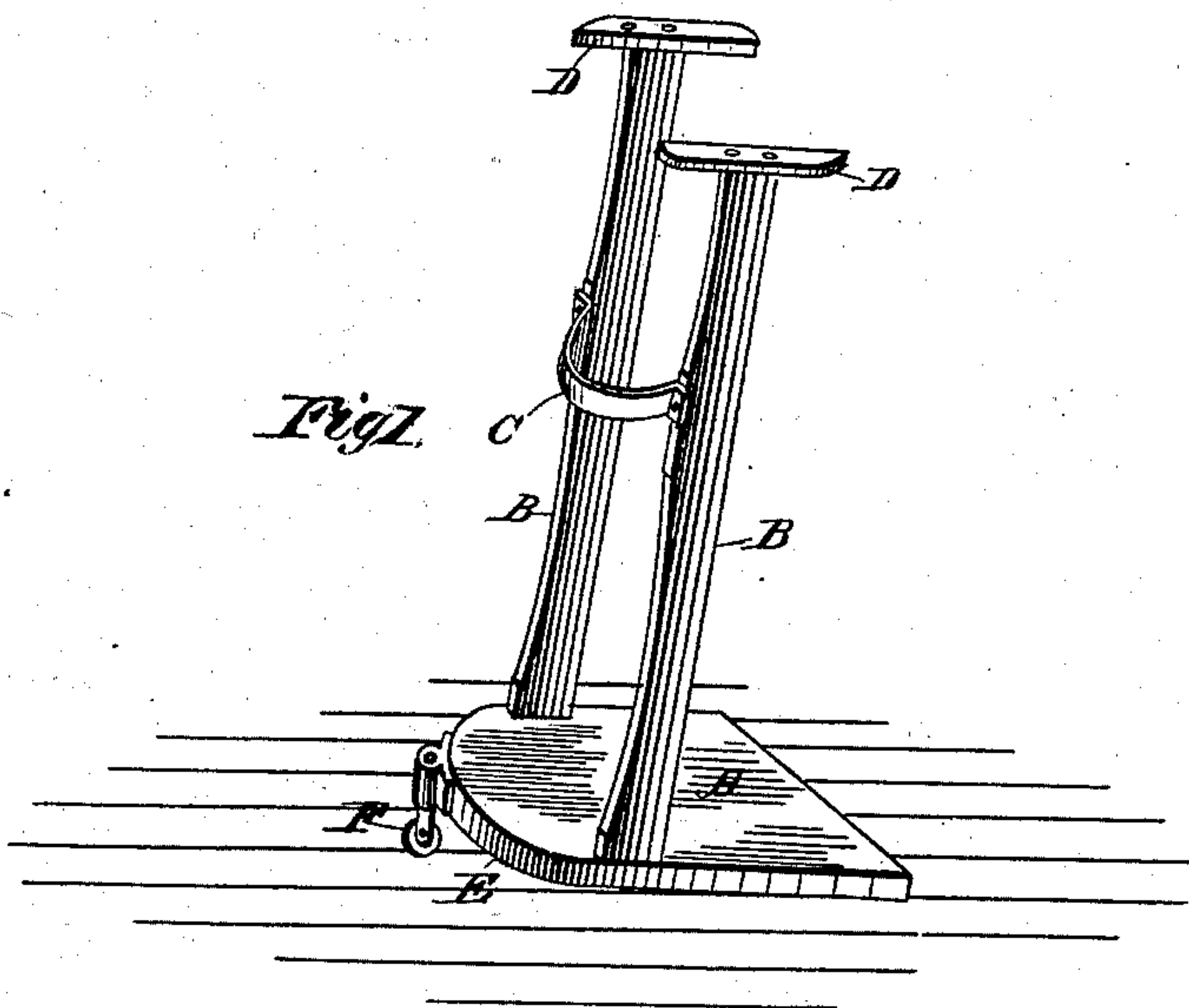
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JAMES E. WHITMAN and ELBRIDGE M. BROWN, of Spring Valley, in the county of Fillmore and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of our improved bag-holder, and Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both figures.

This invention relates to bag holders; and it consists in certain improvements in the construction of the same, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings hereto annexed, A represents a base or platform provided on opposite sides with standards or uprights B B, connected at or near their center by a curved cross-piece, C. At the upper ends of the uprights B are secured longitudinal cross pieces or braces D D, projecting beyond the said uprights, on the outer sides of the latter, as shown, so as to form holders for the bag.

To adjust the bag the upper edge or hem of the latter is simply folded or turned over the outer projecting edges of the top cross-pieces, D, which thus serve to hold the bag in position while it is being filled.

The front end or edge of the base or platform A is curved, as shown at E, and we deem it desirable to provide it with a single swiveled caster, which is shown at F, and which will enable the device to be readily tilted and moved about, even with a filled bag in position,

the cross-pieces D of uprights B being meanwhile employed as handles.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed, the operation and advantages of our invention will be readily understood. It is exceedingly simple, convenient, and durable, and it can be manufactured and sold at a nominal price.

It will be observed that when standing the platform A is inclined or tilted by the caster F, in which position it is much easier to slide the bag from the platform to its place of deposit when filled.

We are aware that it is not new to construct a bag-holder with a platform having uprights braced near their center and provided with horizontal top pieces, as in patents to Klinefelter, No. 194,155, and Dalzell, No. 209,663, and such we do not claim broadly as of our invention; but,

Having thus described our invention, we claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

As an improvement in bag-holders, the combination, with the forwardly inclined or slanting platform A, having a single caster, F, swiveled at its rear end, of the two parallel uprights, B B, secured one on each side of the platform and connected near their center by rearwardly-curved rigid semicircular cross-brace C, and having rigidly secured to their top the horizontal cross pieces or braces D D, having projecting edges, over which cross-pieces the top of the bag is adjusted.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own we have hereto affixed our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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