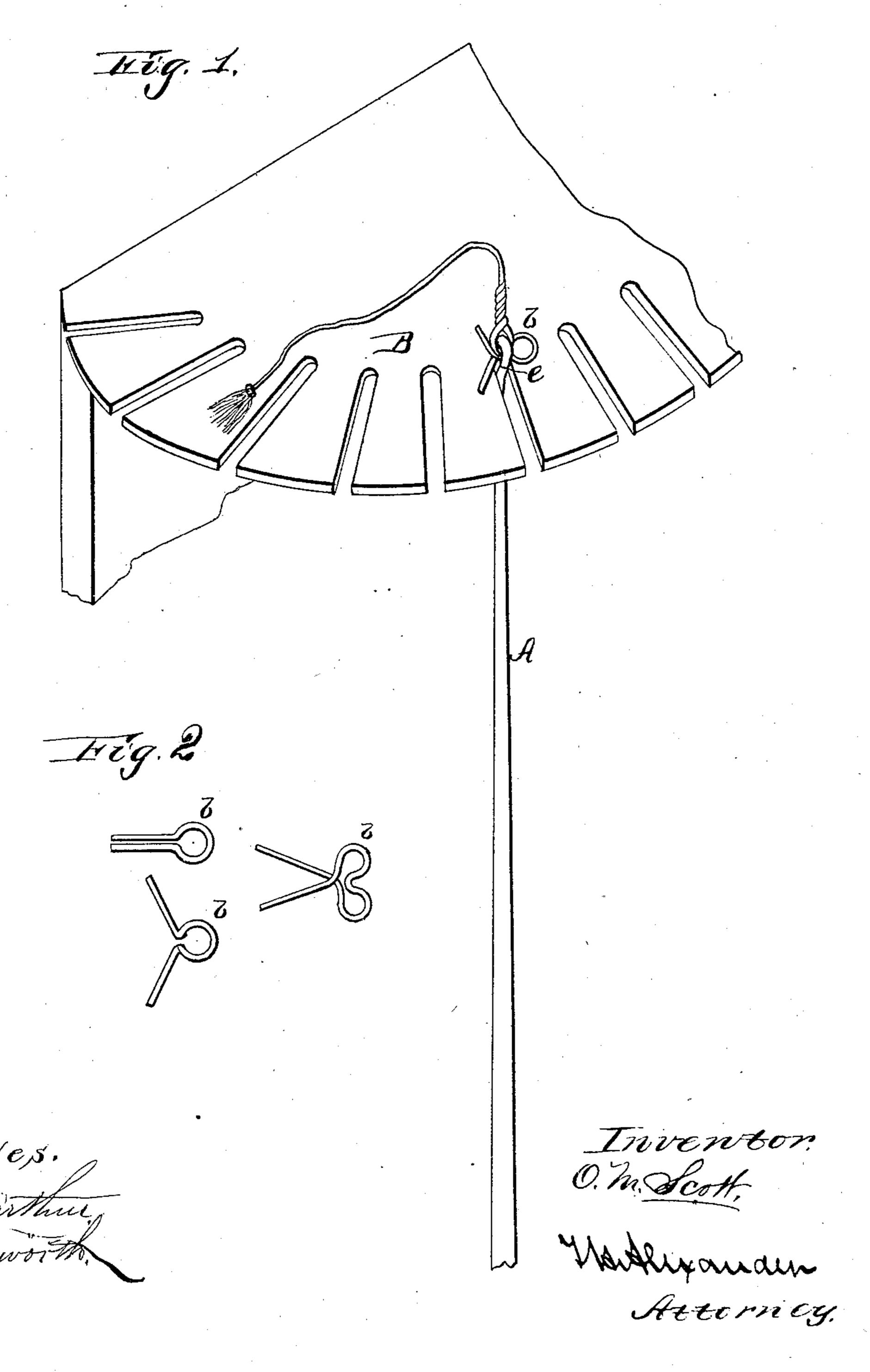
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, O. M. Scott, of Marysville, in the State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices 5 for Hanging Whips; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this ro specification, in which—

Figure 1 shows a whip having the key inserted therein and suspended by means of a slotted plate, and Fig. 2 several views or modi-

fications of the key itself.

The object I have in view is to provide a simple and convenient means of hanging whips, designed especially for sales or exhibiting rooms, but which may be used also in stables for keeping the whip from warping or becom-20 ing crooked, and at the same time enabling it to be easily suspended or removed when wanted; and to these ends my invention consists in the combination, with a whip, of a spring-key, when constructed and adapted to 25 operate substantially as will be herein set forth.

In order that others may avail themselves of the benefits of my invention, I will now pro-

ceed to describe it more fully.

A indicates a whip having the usual eye or 30 loop, e, by means of which the cracker is secured. b represents a spring-wire key, which consists simply of a suitable piece of spring-

wire bent in either one of the shapes shown in Fig. 2, or in a form manifestly their equivalent. I however prefer crossing the shanks, so that 35 when pressed together they may easily be inserted in the eye or loop of the whip, and when released from pressure they widen apart, and thus prevent the key from falling out when the whip is exhibited or cracked. B repre- 40 sents the usual slotted plate, and furnishes a convenient support for the key.

The facility with which the key may be inserted or intentionally removed from the whip when desired, together with the fact that it 45 will not become detached or fly off when the whip is being exhibited, are features which will readily commend it to manufacturers or dealers in this article.

Having thus fully described my invention, 50 what I claim as new, and desire to secure by

Letters Patent, is—

In a device for exhibiting or holding whips, the combination of a whip and spring-key with a suitable slotted plate or holder adapted to 55 receive and retain the whip and key, all substantially as and for the purpose stated.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two

witnesses.

ORLANDO M. SCOTT.

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SAMUEL M. LANDON, WILLIAM LEE.