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Fig. 1.

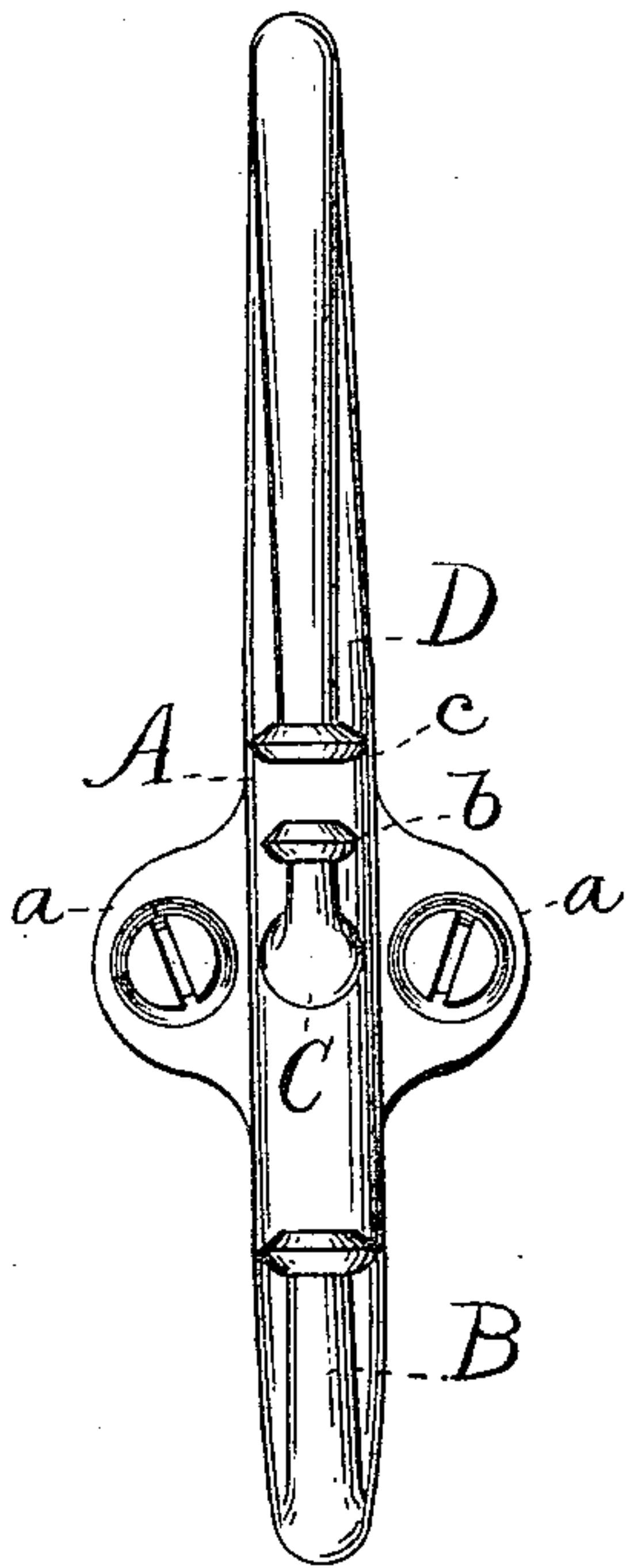
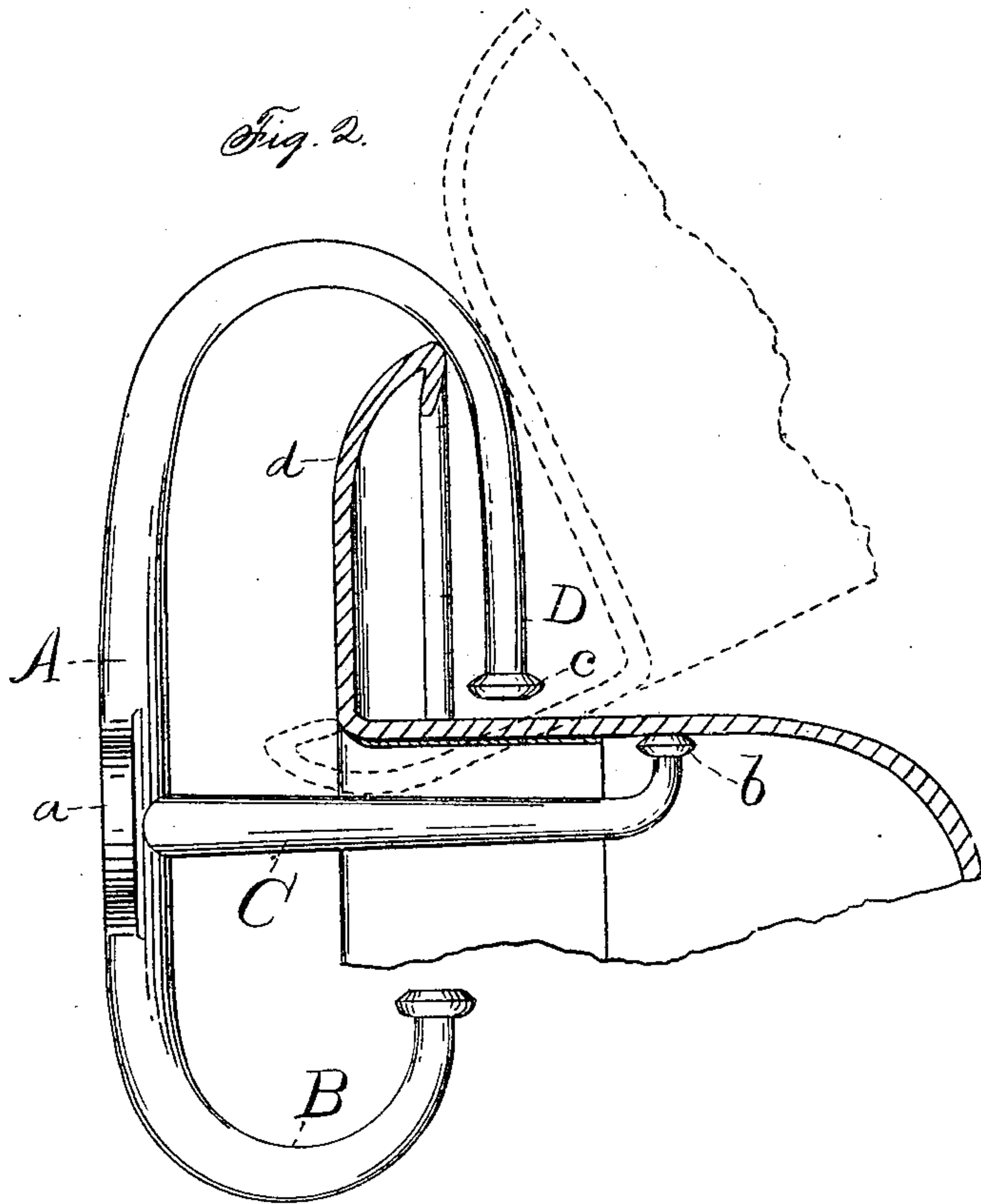


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. ALCOTT, of Thomaston, in the county of Litchfield and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Hooks, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in hat-hooks; and the object of my invention is to produce a cheap and simple hook upon which a hat can be conveniently placed without any liability of its being accidentally removed therefrom. I attain this object by the simple construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my hook; and Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, together with a sectional view of part of a hat as hung thereon.

The body A of the hook may be provided with wings *a a*, through which to pass screws for securing the hook in place; or, in lieu thereof, other suitable means for securing the hook may be provided. B designates an ordinary coat-hook, located below the hat-hook C, which coat-hook may be omitted, if desired. I prefer to make the hook proper or hat-hook, C, in the form of substantially a straight arm, with its end curved upward and terminating in a knob, *b*; but the form of said hook is not material so long as its end hook, *b*, which supports the hat, projects a sufficient length from the wall, and so long as the body of the hook proper, C, does not project upward to interfere with putting on and removing the hat, in the manner hereinafter described. Connected with the body A of the hook is a downwardly-depending arm, D, the end *c* of which is a little above and back of the end *b* of hook C, as shown most clearly in Fig. 2. Preferably these parts will be cast all in one piece; but whether they are made rigid all in one piece or formed of separate pieces is immaterial, so long as the

arm D and hook C are relatively arranged in the positions herein described and shown.

To place a hat upon the hook the hat is raised, so as to slant the brim *d* downward and pass it between the ends *c* and *b*, as indicated by broken lines in Fig. 2, far enough for the end or knob *b* of the hook C to come inside the crown of the hat, when the hat can be lowered and the brim will pass up back of the arm D, and the crown will come farther on the hook C, as shown by the full lines representing part of the hat in Fig. 2. The hat is then safely secured in place, so that it is not liable to be blown or knocked off from the hook or to be otherwise removed therefrom except by design. In order to remove the hat it is necessary to lift it substantially into the position represented by the broken lines in Fig. 2, when it can readily be slipped off from the hook. While the hat is thus firmly secured against being accidentally removed from the hook, it is very conveniently placed upon and removed from the hook.

Instead of a single arm, D, the end of which is in the same vertical plane as the hook C, a double arm, the ends of which spread out laterally upon both sides of said hook C, but back of its end, may be employed, if desired.

I claim as my invention—

An improved hat-hook composed of a suitable body bearing an arm depending from its upper portion and a projecting arm provided with an end-hook termination a little beyond the end of the depending arm, the two arms constituting a receiving and holding device for a hat, substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

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