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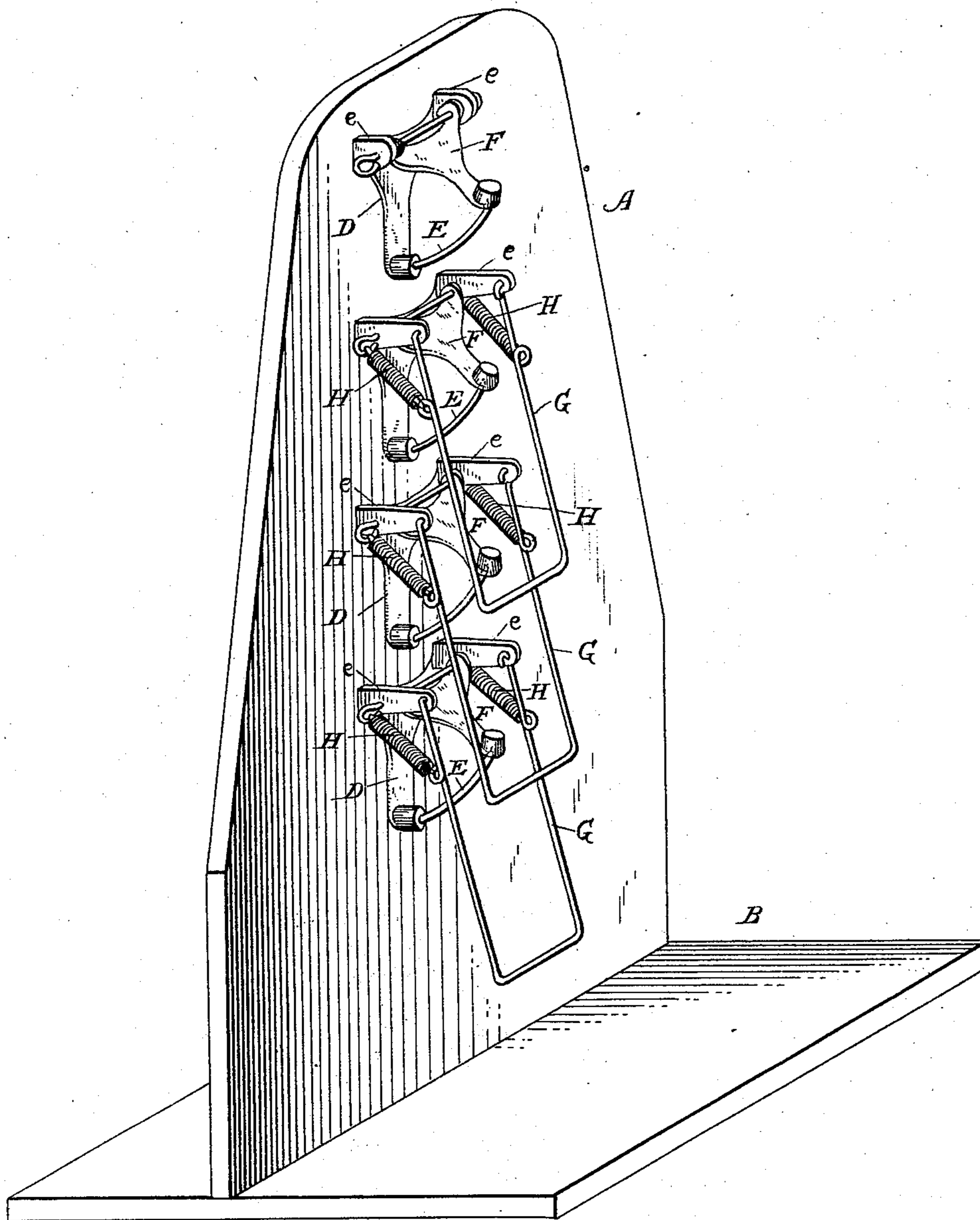
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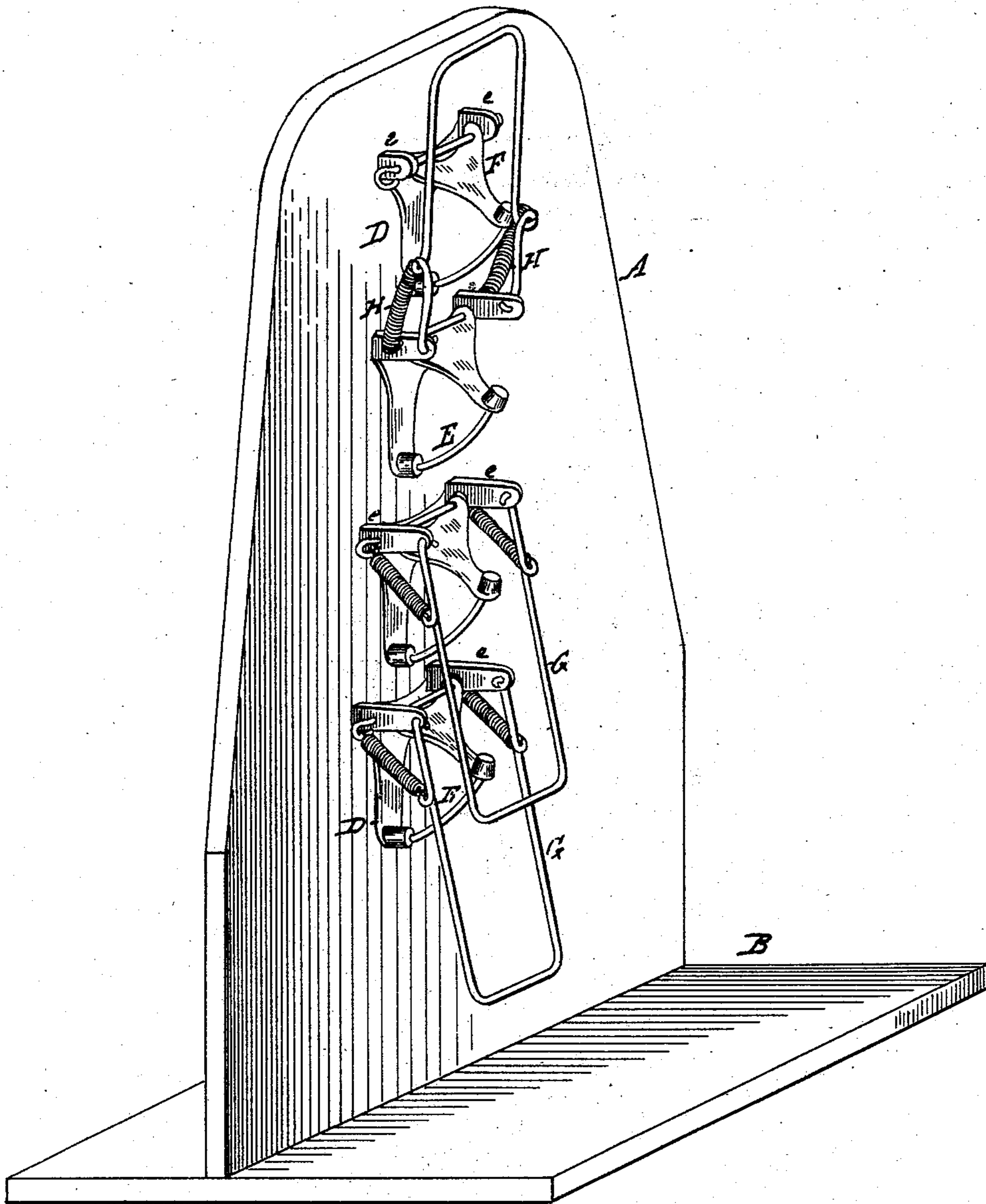
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BAG-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CALVIN MOODY RULAND, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rockton, in the county of Winnebago and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain improvements in paper-bag holders for merchants; and it consists in the combination and arrangement of parts, as more fully hereinafter set forth, and specifically pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved device, showing the parts in normal position; and Fig. 2, a similar view showing a portion of the device in position to permit the bags to be secured.

The letter A indicates a support of any suitable description mounted in an upright position upon a base, B. The support, however, may be the wall of a room or any suitable structure, if desired.

D indicates a series of brackets of any desired number, which are secured to the support. These brackets are provided with curved hooks E, upon which the bags are secured. Between the arms *e* of the brackets are pivoted the levers F, which are weighted at their free ends and adapted to set on the ends of the hooks to hold the bags in place. The brackets, except the upper ones, are provided with bails G, which are held down when in normal position by means of the spiral springs

H, so as to keep the bags closely packed, and when elevated to hold the bags of each bracket up, so that the bags may be placed on the hook of the bracket below, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The brackets increase in size from top to bottom in order to receive bags of successive sizes, so that the bags of each series may be readily received for removal. The levers F are raised simultaneously with the bails, so as to swing free from the hooks.

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

1. In a bag-holder, the combination of a bracket having a curved hook and a pivoted lever, weighted at the end, and adapted to set over the hook to hold the bag thereon, substantially as specified.

2. The combination, in a bag-holder, of a series of brackets provided with curved hooks and weighted retaining-levers, and the bails and springs adapted to be operated to hold the bags, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination, with the brackets and their hooks, of the weighted levers, and the bails and operating-springs, arranged in a series gradually increasing in size from top to bottom, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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

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