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UMBRELLA STAND.

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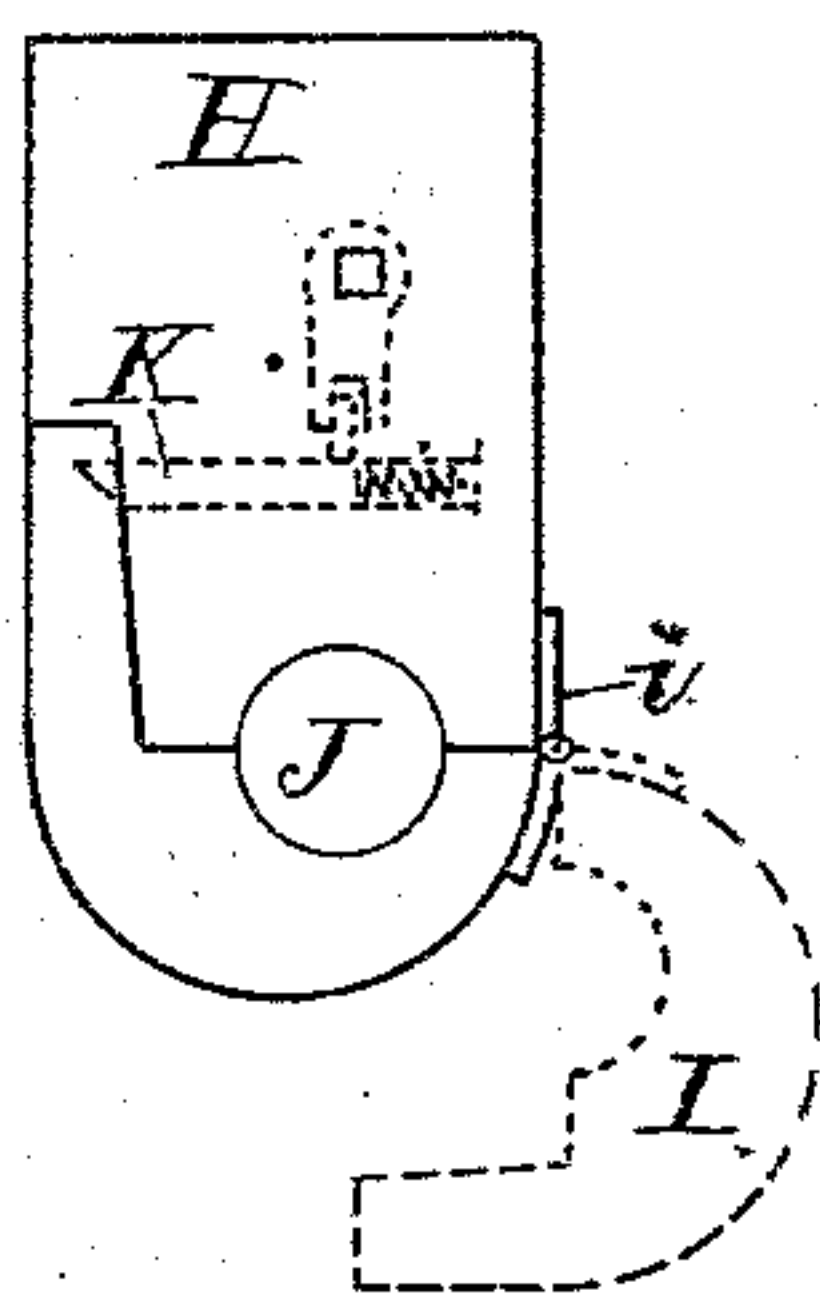


Fig. 2.

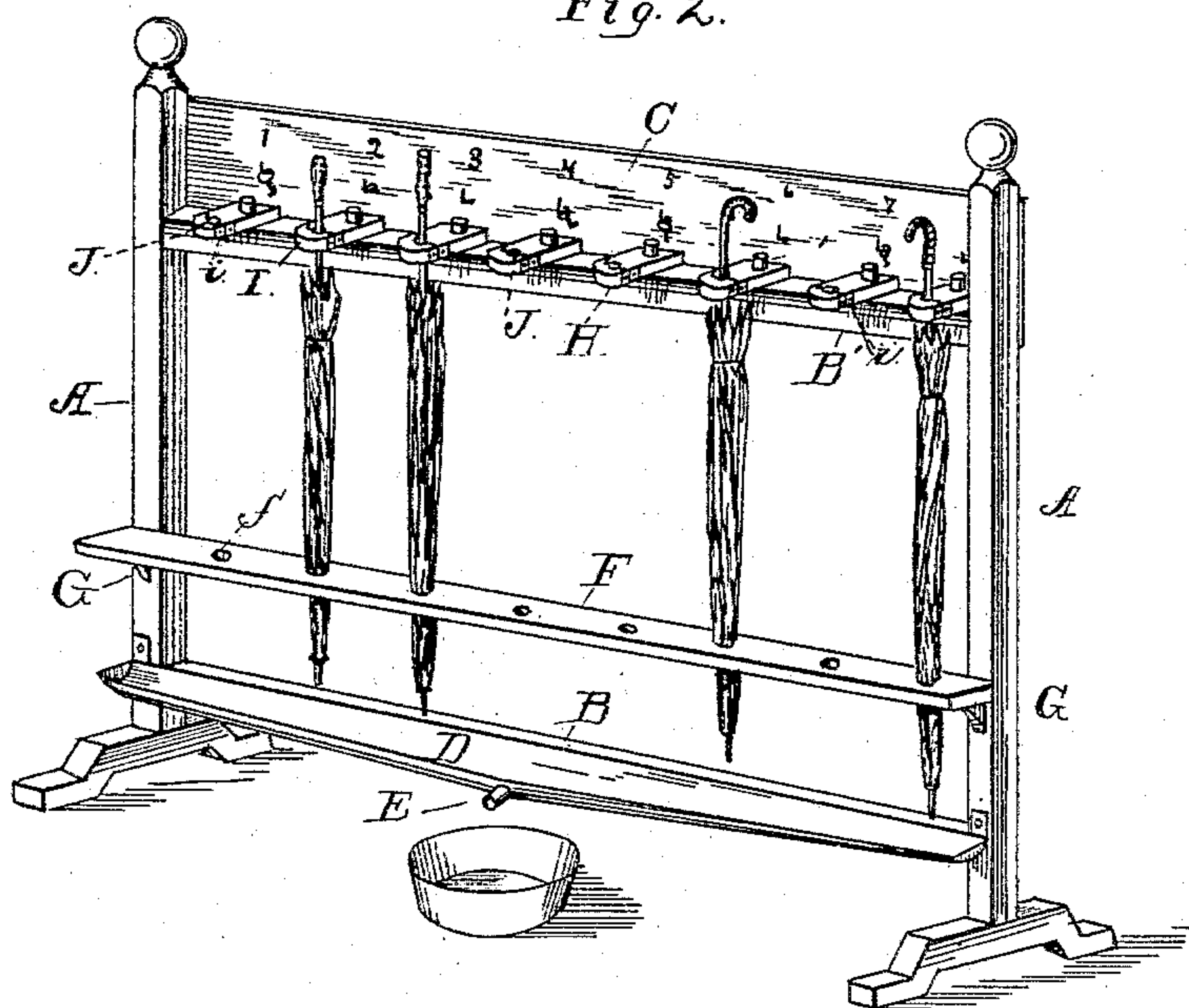


Fig. 1.

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UMBRELLA-STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM C. CARTER, of Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Umbrella-Stands, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved umbrella stand. Fig. 2 is a plan view, partly in section, of the holder.

In the umbrella-stands in general use, in which the umbrellas were placed in an ordinary haphazard manner, they were liable to become removed or stolen. The present invention relates to an improvement whereby this defect is remedied. This device consists of a stand having near the floor a drip-pan, and immediately above this a rack having a series of openings for the reception of the lower ends of the umbrellas. A short distance above this rack is a second horizontal piece having on its upper face a series of projecting pieces extending outwardly therefrom, having at their outer ends hinged pieces provided with spring-locks, and so arranged as to receive the upper ends of the umbrellas placed therein. In this manner the drip from the umbrellas is caught by the pan, after which it runs off into a suitable receptacle, while, the hinged piece being locked, said umbrella is safe and in position for the owner.

In the drawings, A are the end pieces or supports of the stand; B and B', the cross-pieces framed into and connecting the two, and C the back, formed in either a plain or an ornamental manner. A metallic drip-pan, D, with a depression in one side, is formed by turning up the edges somewhat and inclines toward the center, where it opens downwardly through a small tube, E, into any ordinary receptacle placed beneath. The inner edge of this pan is secured by means of tacks to the upper face of the cross-piece B. A short distance above this pan a piece, F, is secured in position by means of the brackets G at the ends. A series of openings, *f*, are made through this piece in such a manner as to be above the drip-pan and large enough to receive the lower end of an umbrella. Extending outwardly from the upper face of the cross-piece B' are a series of

pieces, H, corresponding to the number of openings in the piece F. At the outer ends of each of these pieces is placed a piece, I, hinged at *i* thereto on one side. A semicircular recess, J, is made in each of these pieces opposite each other, so that when the pieces are closed the two form an opening large enough to receive the handle of an ordinary umbrella. On the opposite side of the pieces from the hinge is placed a spring-lock, K, of any ordinary pattern. The openings J are designed to be immediately over the openings in the piece F. It is also designed that the lock shall be provided with keys of different patterns, so that when the umbrella is placed with its lower end through the opening of the piece F and the hinged piece closed with the handle of the umbrella within the opening the said umbrella is held therein until unlocked by the person having the special key for that lock. The piece F is to be of such a height from the drip-pan that an umbrella with a crooked handle cannot be raised above said piece and thus removed from the stand.

When formed in the manner described, the drip-pan receives the water from the umbrella, and at the same time is held safely in place until removed therefrom by the owner.

What I claim is—

1. The umbrella-stand herein described, consisting of the end pieces, A, the cross-pieces B B', the back C, the drip-pan D E, the cross-piece F, having openings *f* to receive the lower portion of the umbrella, and the handle-containing piece H, attached to the upper cross-piece, B', all constructed and combined as and for the purposes described.

2. The combination of the plate H, having spring-lock K attached thereto, with plate I, hinged to plate H, and provided with a recess in line with lock K when the plates are brought together, the said plates H and I being provided with corresponding recesses in their meeting edges, as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand.

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