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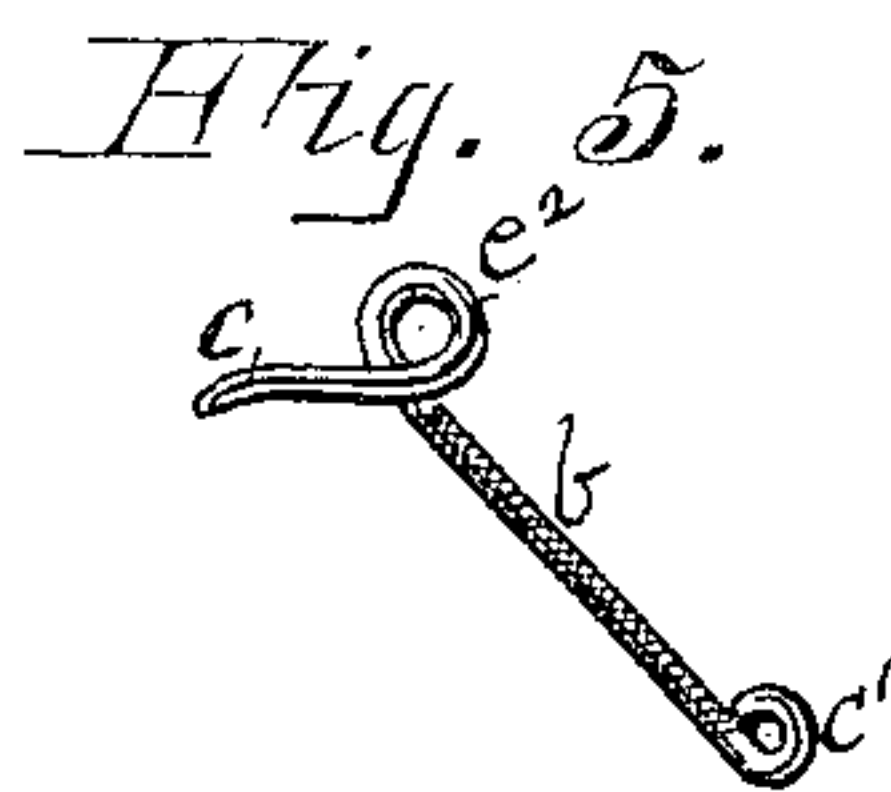
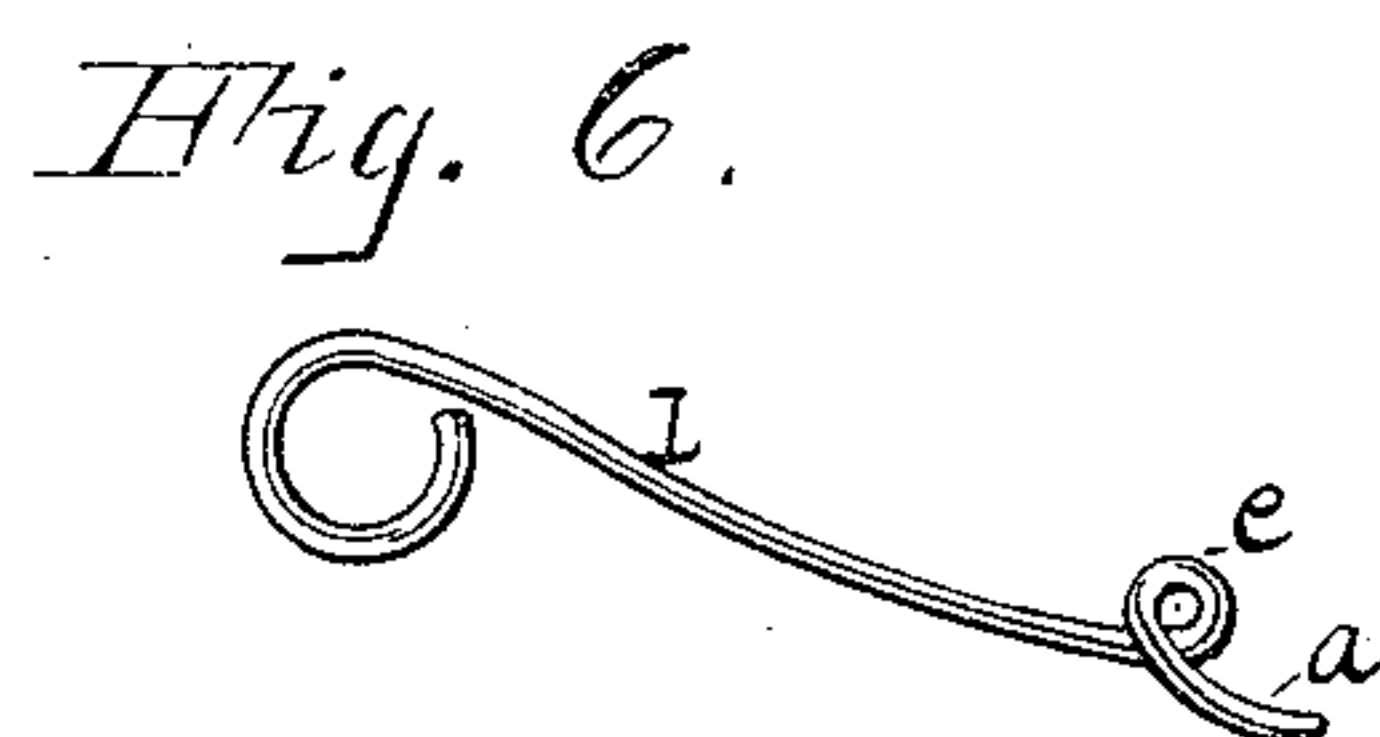
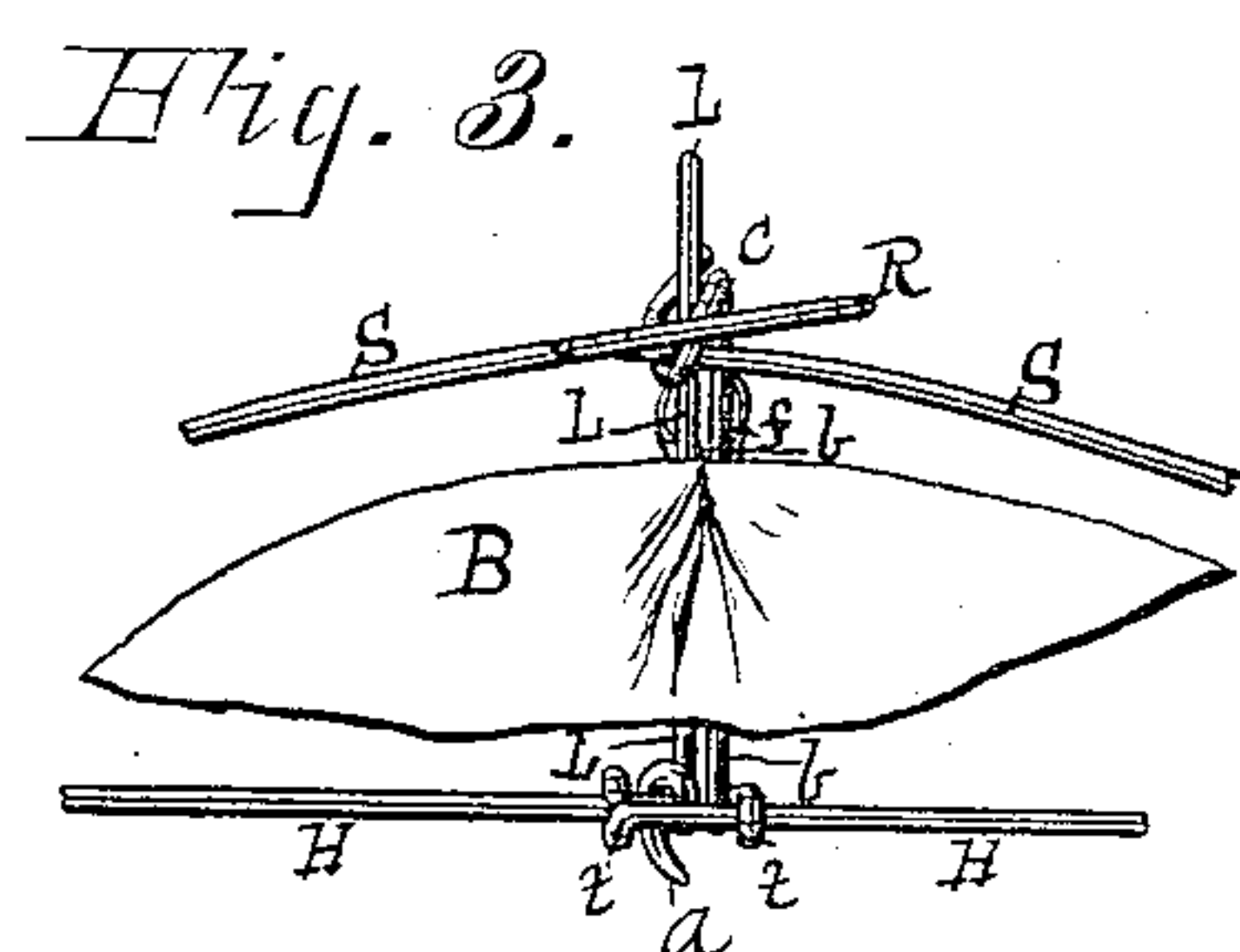
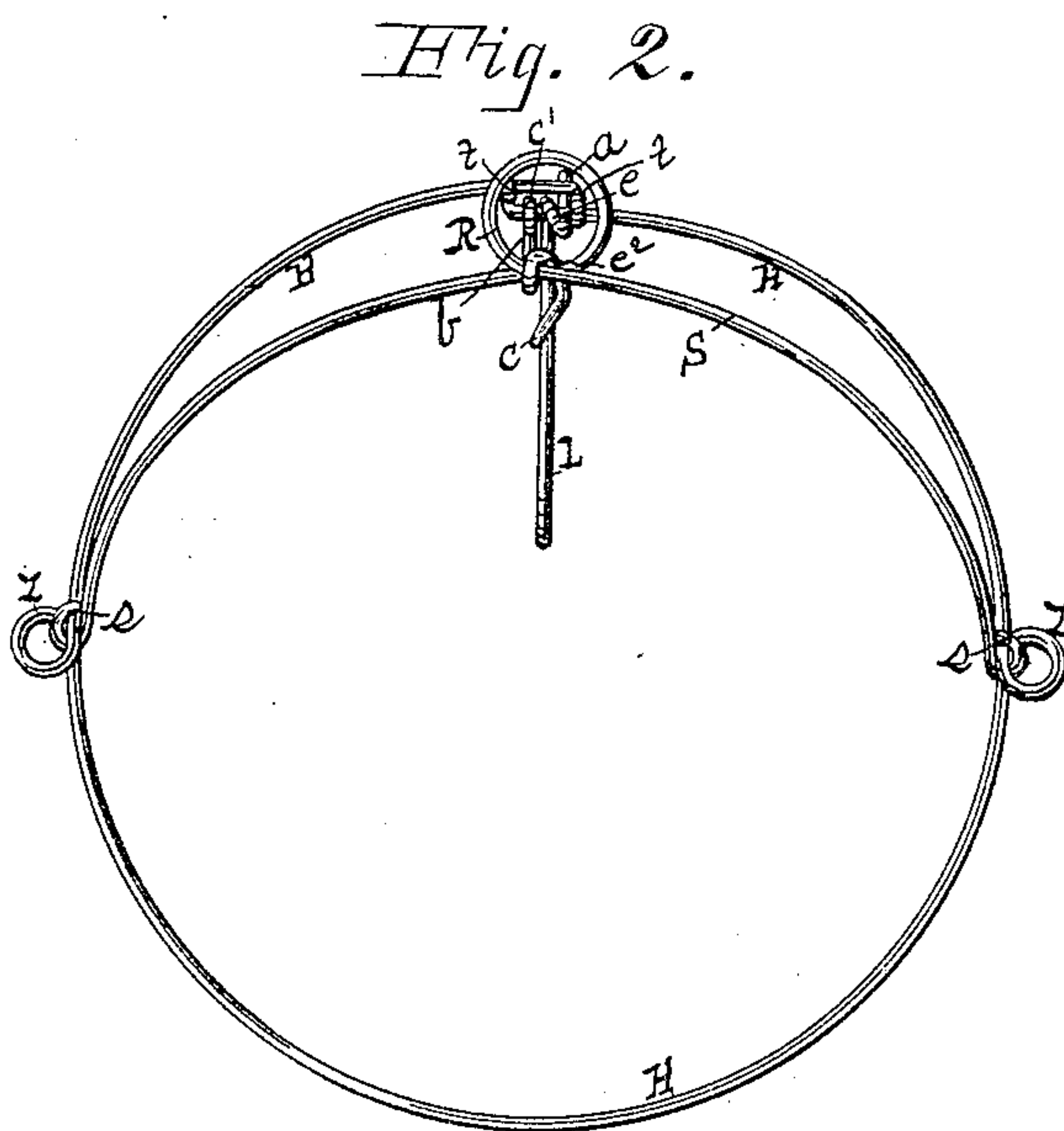
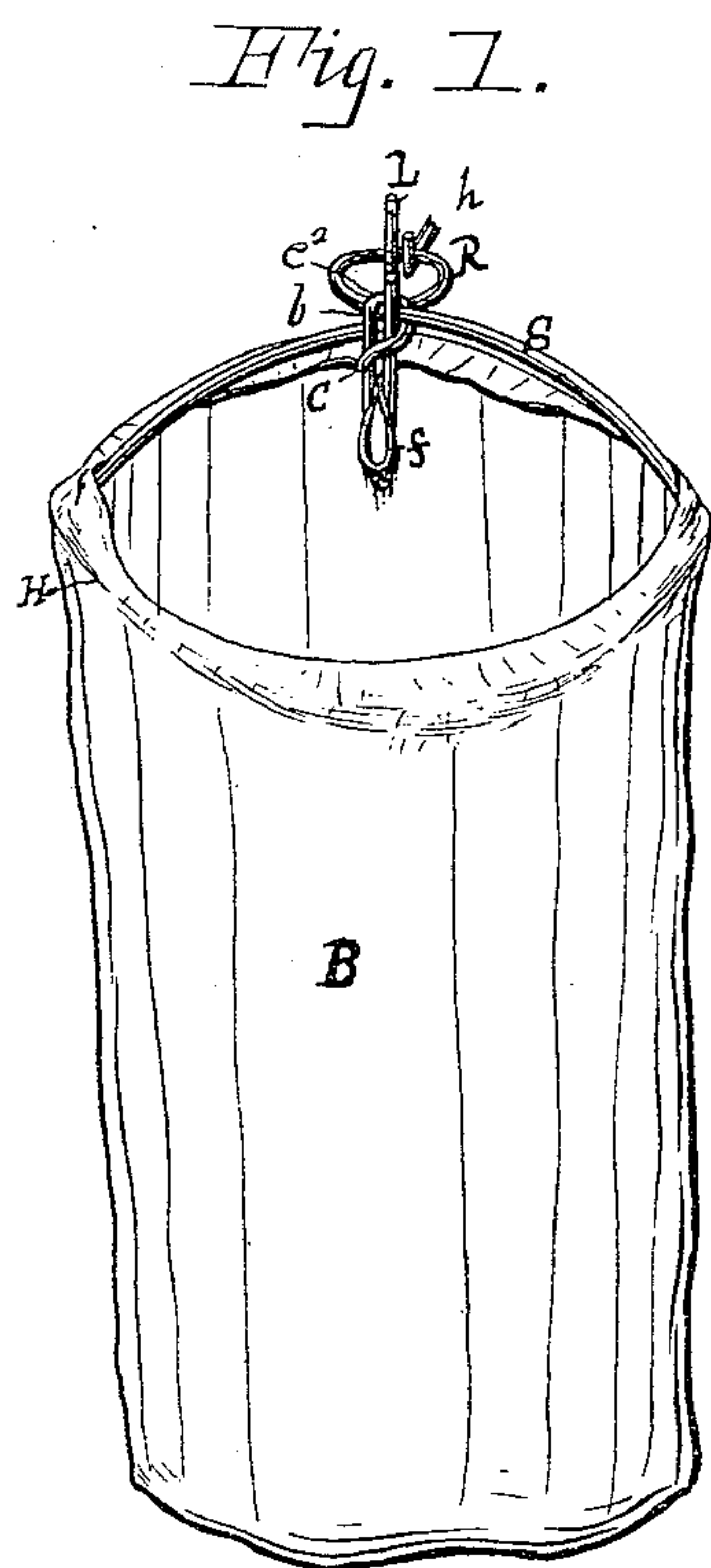
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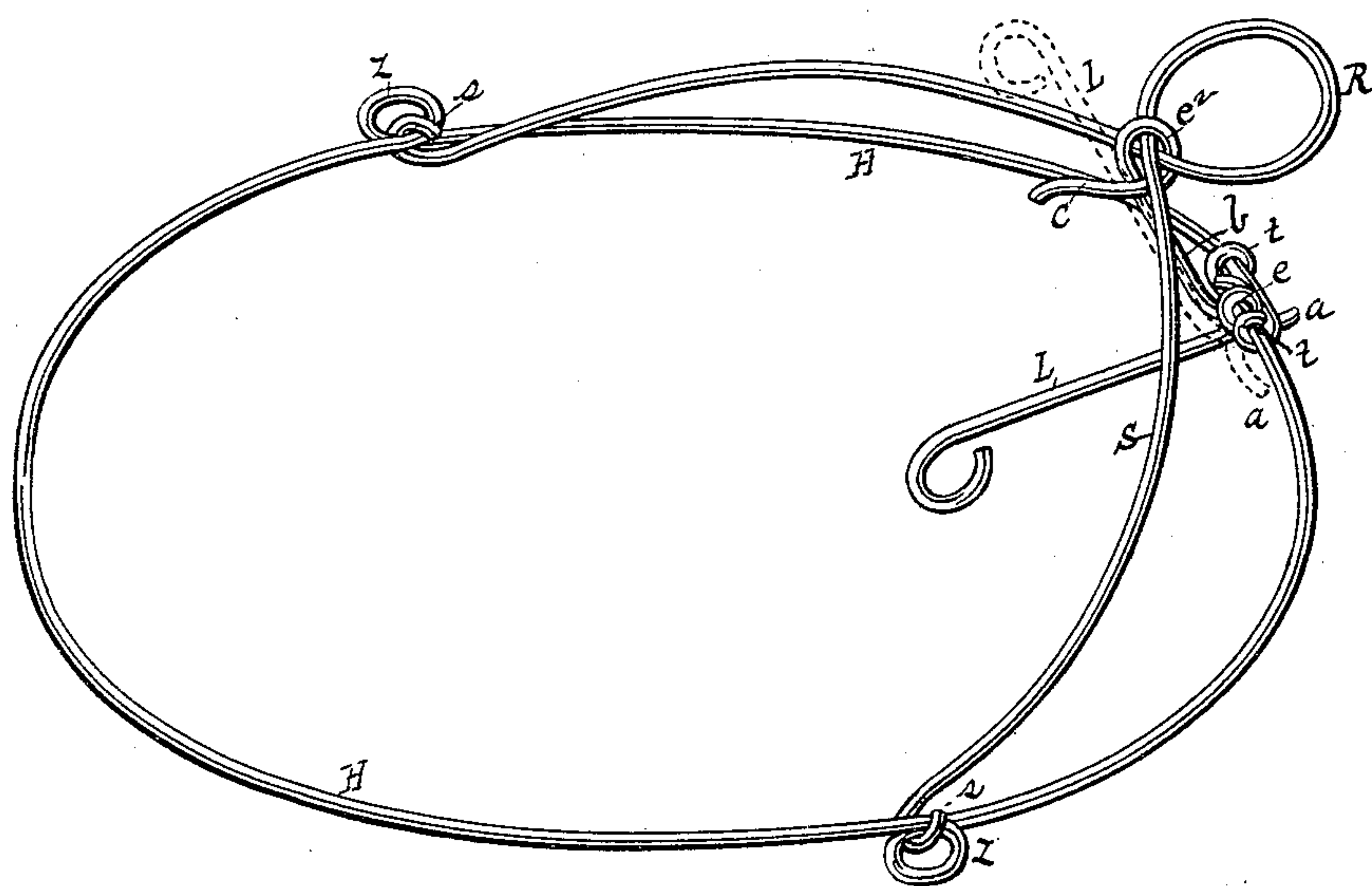
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES S. BRAILEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wauseon, in the county of Fulton and State of Ohio, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use
10 the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention is designed for the purpose
15 of holding a grain bag or sack in an upright position and presenting an open top or mouth into which the grain may be readily poured or shoveled, as in the act of filling the sack; and my invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts, as herein-
20 after set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention supporting a bag or sack. Fig. 2
25 is an enlarged top plan view of the holder. Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the clamping parts, showing the bag broken away, also the main wires. Fig. 4 is an enlarged view of Fig. 2, taken at right angles to said view.
30 Fig. 5 is a detached view of the brace-wire *b*. Fig. 6 is a detached view of the locking lever wire *L*.

The holder is light, durable, and portable, being made entirely of wire, which may be
35 round or flat. The main wire or hoop *H* is made sufficiently small in diameter to pass freely into the mouth of the bag. I form on its opposite sides two attaching-loops, *Z Z*. The ends of the hoop-wire terminate with eyes
40 *t t*, which stand out at right angles to its body, and each eye encircles the opposite end portion of the main wire, as shown clearly in Figs. 2, 3, and 4. I attach a supporting-bail, *S*, to the main wire, its hooked ends *s s* engaging
45 with the loops *Z Z* of the main wire *H*. The bail-wire at the center is looped over, forming the attaching ring *R*, by which the holder is held to support the bag while filling it by engaging the ring with a hook or staple driven
50 into a suitable support. The bail-wire is attached at the center to the main wire at an

elevation by the brace-wire *b*, its lower end, at *c'*, being coiled around the inner end portion of the main wire, its upper end coiled over the bail *S* and its free end bent outward
55 at right angles to its body, forming an engaging-arm, *c*. I coil around the inner end portion of the main wire *H* the lower portion of the locking-lever wire *L*, its end portion projecting rearward and adapted to cross transversely the outer end portion of the main wire,
60 (see Figs. 2 and 3,) which prevents the lever from dropping forward below a horizontal position. The lever-wire *L* stands, when in a locked or upright position, parallel with and
65 by the side of the brace-wire *b*, (see Figs. 1 and 3,) and when unlocked it drops forward to a horizontal position, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4. The joining-faces of the brace-wire *b* and lever-wire *L* may be serrated to form a more
70 rigid grasp upon the folded portion of the bag.

It will be observed that the device is a portable one, and may be hung up, to support the sack or bag, on a hook at any point convenient.

The operations are as follows: The loop or
75 ring *R* is caught over a hook, as shown at *h*, Fig. 1; then the sack is pulled up over the main wire *H* sufficiently to bring said wire within the mouth of the sack; then the operator with one hand takes up the slack at the
80 top of the sack, on the back side, sufficiently to draw the mouth of the sack to a diameter less than that of the hoop *H*. The folded portion *f* of the bag or sack is then pressed against the brace-wire *b*, and the lever-wire *L* is forced
85 up, engaging with the arm *c*, which crowds it toward the brace *b*, thereby firmly binding the folded or gathered portion *f* of the sack between the brace and lever, holding it firmly and preventing the withdrawal of the bag
90 from the holder, and when ready to disengage the bag the lever *L* is pulled forward at the top, freeing the fold *f*, when the bag will drop from the holder.

Having thus fully set forth my invention,
95 what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a bag-holder, the combination of the main wire, the bail attached thereto, the brace-wire joining said wires, and the lever-wire piv-
100 oted at one end to the main wire and adapted to be engaged with and disengaged from the

said brace-wire, whereby the fold of the bag may be securely held or released, substantially as specified.

2. In a bag-holder, the combination of the
5 main wire having loops Z Z, and ends joined, as specified, the bail S, having the supporting-ring R, its ends being hooked into the loops of the main wire, the brace b, attached to the
10 c formed integrally therewith, and the locking-lever L, pivoted on the inner end portion of the

main wire and having the arm a formed integral therewith, said arm a being adapted to engage with the outer end portion of the main wire, as and for the purposes specified. 15

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

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