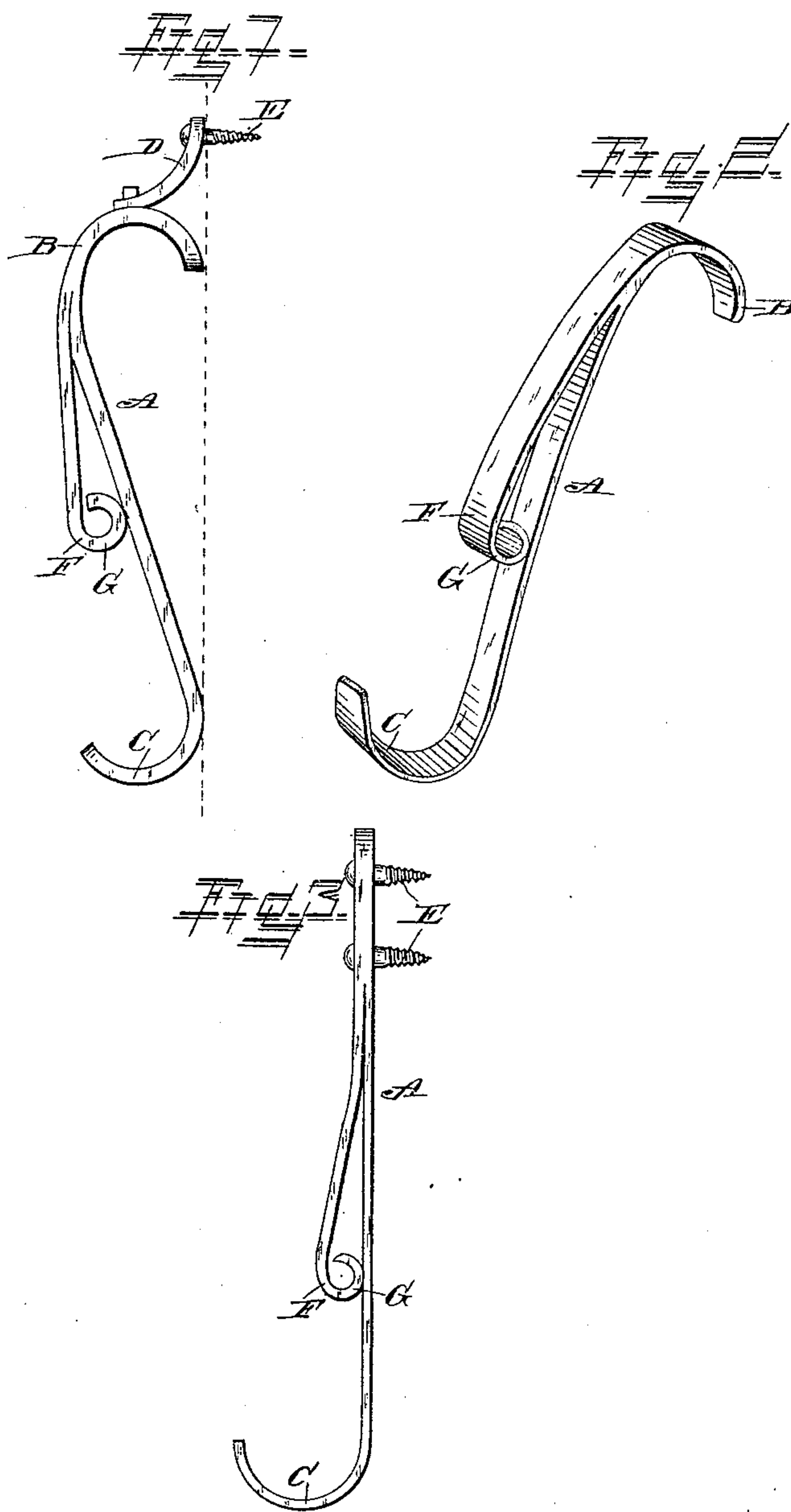


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM R. CLARK, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Schoolcraft, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat and Coat Racks, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My improvement in hat and coat racks consists in the peculiar construction, combination, and arrangement of the parts, substantially as hereinafter more fully shown and described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my hat and coat rack. Fig. 2 is a view in perspective of a modification thereof, and Fig. 3 is a view in side elevation of a second modification.

In the embodiment of my invention the hanger A is constructed of an elastic metallic strip of metal, its upper curved end, B, being projected toward the wall to which the rack is hung, and its lower curved end, C, being curved in a reverse direction outwardly therefrom and designed for holding attached thereto a coat or other garment.

As a means of attaching the rack to the wall, hanger A is provided with a metallic bracket, D, rigidly secured thereto. It is curved upwardly, as shown, and secured to the wall by means of pin E; but I do not confine myself to this method of attaching the coat-rack to the wall, as in the absence of pin E it may be employed as a portable device, and thus be carried in the pocket and hooked to any convenient support preliminary to securing the hat and coat therewith. Hanger A has integral with its upper curved end and projecting therefrom at a point near its said curved end

a hat-clasp, F, which consists of an elastic metallic strip corresponding in width to hanger A, and having an inwardly-curved end, G, which is caused to clamp the hat by the retractile force of the spring against hanger A. The metallic strip comprising the clasp F is extended in nearly a vertical line from its point of divergence from the strip A to about the center thereof, at which point it is curved inwardly, so as to cause its curved portion to normally rest against the outer surface of the inclined portion of the said strip A.

A modification of my invention is shown in Fig. 3, wherein the curved end B and the metallic bracket D, as seen in Fig. 1, are omitted, the hanger A consisting of an elastic strip of metal, the lower end of which is curved outwardly, its upper end being provided with a screw-orifice for attaching it to the wall.

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

The metallic strip A, curved in opposite directions at its upper and lower ends, the metallic strip forming the clasp F integral with the upper curved end of said strip A, and curved inwardly at its lower end at about the center of and abutting against said latter strip, and the bracket also rigid with said upper end and having a pin (or its equivalent) passed through an aperture therein for securing the device in position, substantially as shown and described.

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

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