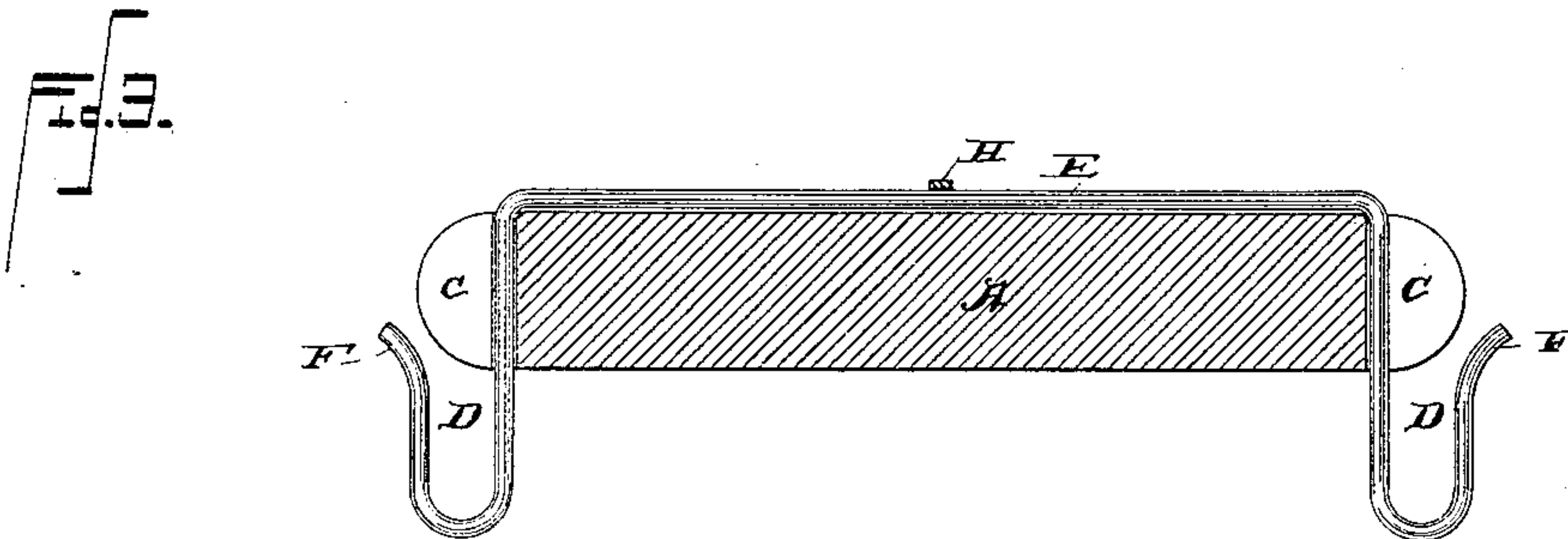
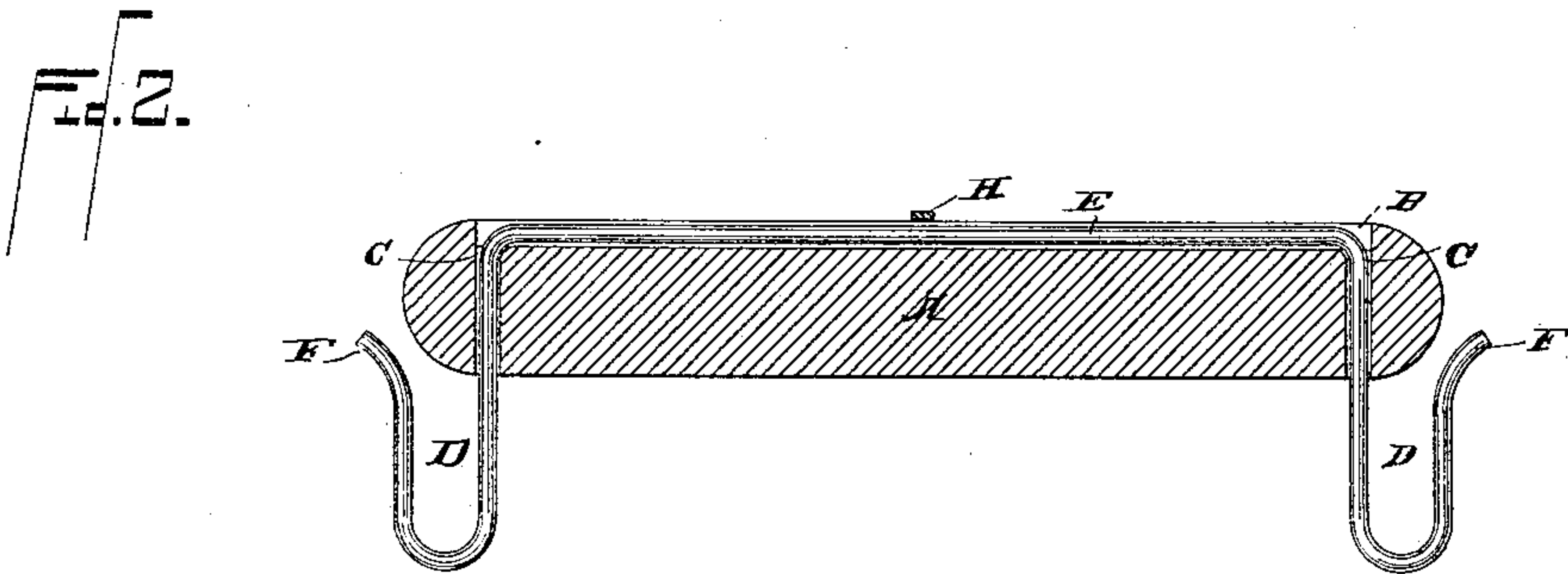
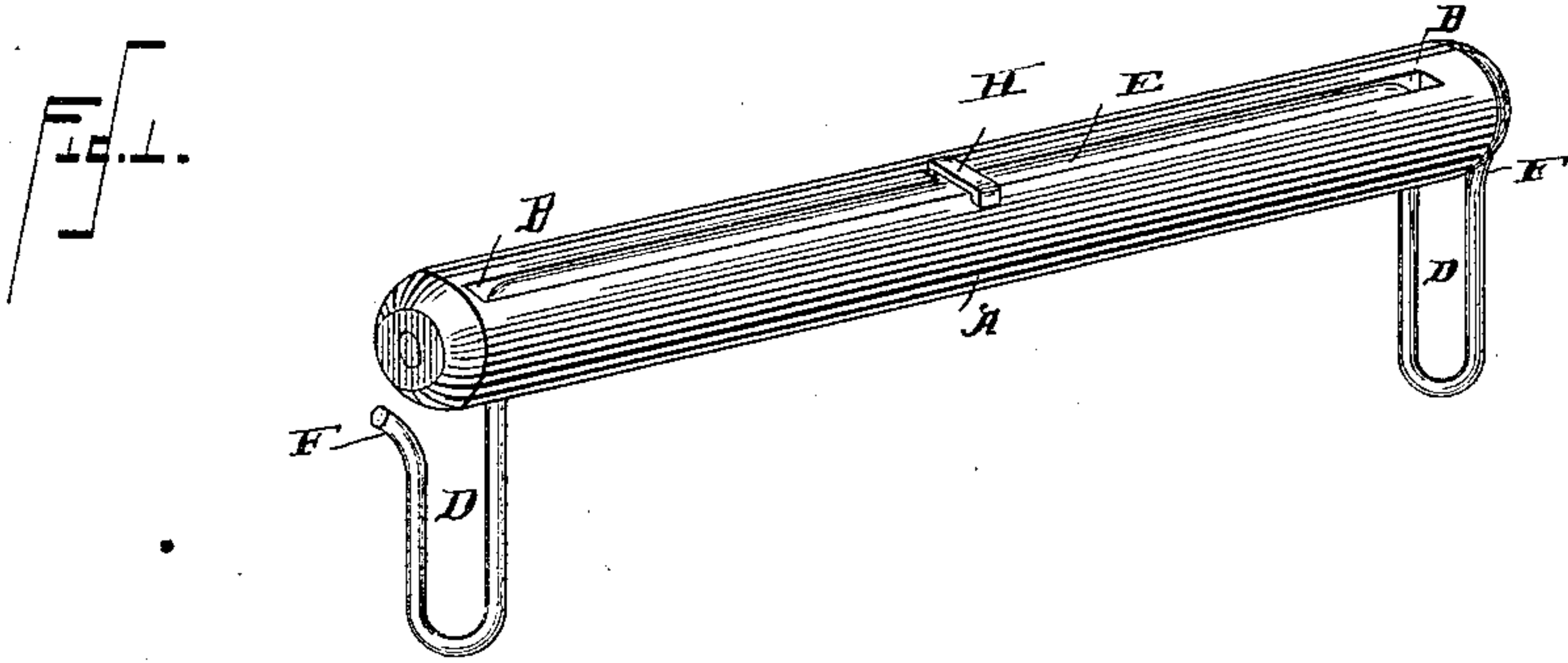


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MATTHEW J. BOGERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Demarest, in the county of Bergen and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bundle-Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in bundle-carriers; and it consists in the peculiar construction and arrangement of devices, that will be more fully set forth hereinafter, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bundle-carrier embodying my improvements. Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of a modified form of my invention.

A represents the handle, which is made of wood, and is round in cross-section. In the upper side of the handle is made a longitudinal groove, B, which extends throughout the length of the handle, and near the ends of the said groove are transverse openings C, which extend through the handle, the upper ends of the said openings communicating with the said groove.

D represents a wire yoke, which is first bent substantially in the form of the letter U. The horizontal central portion, E, of the yoke fits in the groove B of the handle, and the arms of the yoke extend down through the openings C. The ends of the said arms are then curved upwardly, and the extreme outer ends of the arms are curved outwardly, thereby forming hooks F. It will be observed that the ends of the handle project outwardly beyond the arms of the yoke toward the tips of the hooks. The yoke, with its hooks, is made of resilient wire, and the tips of the hooks normally spring inwardly, so as to bear nearly or quite against the ends of the handle, and thereby the upper ends of the hooks are closed. In order to secure the yoke firmly in the handle, so that there will be no danger of its becoming detached therefrom, a double-pointed tack or staple is driven into the upper side of the handle astride the horizontal central portion of the yoke, as at H.

The operation of my invention will be very readily understood. The hooks are caused to engage the cord with which the bundle to be carried is tied, and the carrier thus forms a convenient handle for the bundle. As the projecting ends of the handle and the spring-

hooks close the openings at the upper ends of the hooks, it will be readily understood that the cord is not likely to slip from the hooks and cause the handle or carrier to become disengaged from the bundle.

In Fig. 3 I show a modified form of my invention, in which the horizontal portion of the wire yoke lies directly upon the upper side of the handle, thus dispensing with the groove B, and vertical open slots are made transversely in the ends of the handle and substituted for the recesses C, to receive the arms of the yoke.

I do not desire to limit myself to the precise construction hereinbefore shown and described, as it is evident that modifications may be made therein without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. The combination, in a bundle-carrier, of the handle having the openings or slots C made transversely near the ends, and the wire yoke having its central portion bearing on the upper side of the handle, the arms of the said yoke being secured in the openings or recesses C, and having the hooks formed therewith, the ends of the handle projecting beyond the openings of slots over the open ends of the hooks, so as to come nearly in engagement with the points of the hooks, for the purpose set forth, substantially as described.

2. The combination, in a bundle-carrier, of the handle having the longitudinal groove B in its upper side, and the openings or slots C made transversely in its ends and communicating with the said groove, and the wire yoke having its central portion bearing in the groove B, the depending arms of the said yoke being secured in the openings or recesses C, the said arms being bent to form hooks, the ends of the handle projecting over the open ends of the hooks, so as to come nearly in engagement with the points of the hooks, for the purpose set forth, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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