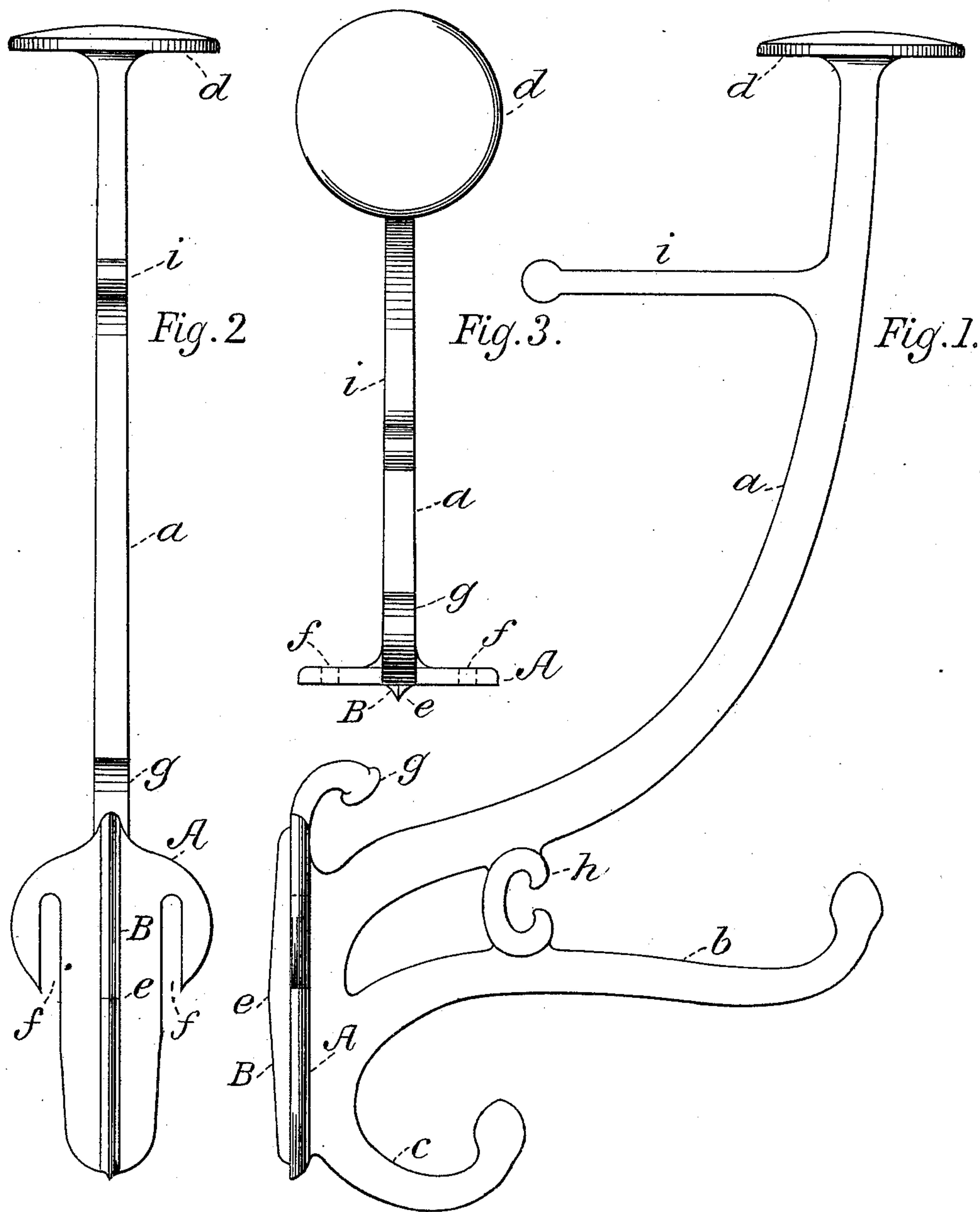


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, ROBERT INGAL and JOSEPH INGAL, both citizens of the United States of America, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Wall-Brackets, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, the same forming part of that description.

Our invention is an article of manufacture relating to a metal wall-bracket with branching hooks; and it consists, chiefly, in the construction of the base-plate which secures safe fastening of the same for supporting heavy articles which the hooks have to bear.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 exhibits the wall-bracket in front view with extending hooks from a common base-plate, the same provided on its rear part with a projecting rib. Fig. 2 is a rear end view of the foregoing one, showing the rib in center of the base-plate and screw-holes as arranged; and Fig. 3 shows in top view the bracket and its base-plate with the rib extending from the same.

In describing our invention we refer to the accompanying drawings, which fully represent the article as constructed of one piece of metal.

A is the base of the bracket, from the front part of which are branching hooks *a b c* at different elevations, extending in line of center of the base-plate. The main hook *a* projects in a graceful curve to a calculated height and distance and terminates with a horizontal disk *d*, with convex-shaped surface, to carry a hat suspended at a sufficient space from the wall and from the other articles deposited on the hooks located beneath. Said hook *a* is provided with an arm *i* near its upper portion to bear with its end against the body of the hat, which prevents tilting and secures a firm rest of the same. The hooks *b* and *c* are located below the main hook and intended to hold a coat, umbrella, &c., and the

hook *b* is connected with the main hook *a* by an ornamented brace *h* for supporting the same. From the top of the base-plate A projects a curved hook *g* toward the main hook *a*, from which it is separated by a narrow space to hold the hat upright. One side of the body of the same rests on the disk *d* of the main hook, while the other end of the brim of the hat is clamped in the said narrow space, and the end of the arm *i* supports the crown of the hat. The rear part of the base-plate A is provided with a rib B, rising in tapering shape from both ends of the base-plate toward the middle portion of the same, forming there a sharp point *e*, adapted to be forced with the remaining part of the rib into a penetrable substance for fastening in perpendicular position.

To fasten the bracket firmly to a wall or board, the base-plate is provided for that purpose near its upper part with downwardly-extending slots *f f*, arranged symmetrically on both sides from the rib to be slipped over fitting-screws, the same being previously screwed into the material at a corresponding space with the slots of the base-plate.

Having thus described our invention, we claim—

A metal wall-bracket comprising the base-plate A, the same having at its rear part a raised rib B, with a sharp point *e*, and having slots *f f*, and provided with a curved hook *g*, said base-plate having on its front part branching hooks *a b c*, the main hook *a* being provided with an arm *i*, disk *d*, and brace *h*, all combined and arranged substantially as shown, and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof we have set our hands hereunto in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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