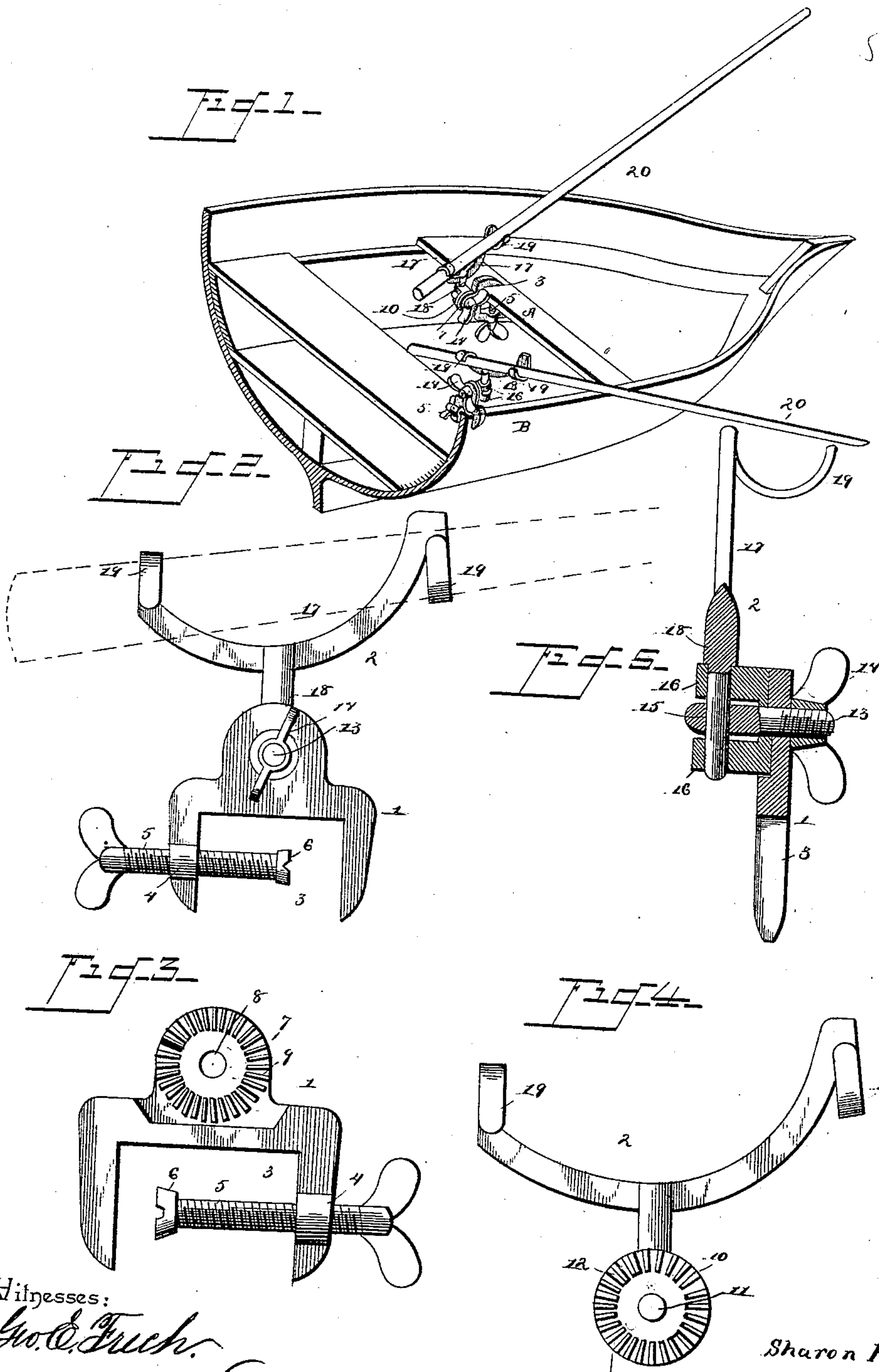


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SHARON HALL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Albany, in the county of Albany and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Device for Holding Fishing-Rods, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has relation to a device for holding fishing-rods, the objects in view being to provide a holder for the above purpose capable of being easily attached to and removed from such objects as the gunwale or seat of a boat, and to receive and support in a removable manner and at any desired adjustment a fishing-rod.

With the above main and other minor objects in view the invention consists in certain features of construction hereinafter specified, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of a portion of a boat, illustrating two positions my holder may occupy when supported upon a gunwale or seat. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail in elevation of the holder, a rod being shown by dotted lines in removable position therein. Fig. 3 is a detail in front elevation of the stationary member of the holder, and Fig. 4 is a similar view of the movable member. Fig. 5 is a vertical transverse section of Fig. 2.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts in all the figures of the drawings.

In practicing my invention I construct the same of two members, the lower stationary member 1 and the upper pivoted or movable member 2. The stationary member 1 is of U shape, or, in other words, forms a clamp 3, the opposite terminals of which are designed to embrace the seat A in a horizontal manner, or the gunwale B in a vertical manner, of a boat. One terminal of the clamp is provided with a threaded opening 4, and in the same is mounted the clamping-screw 5, adapted to combine with the opposite or unperforated terminal and clamp upon a seat, gunwale, or other fixed support. The inner end of the binding-screw is provided with a loose or swiveled clamping-head 6. Integrally formed with the clamping-yoke and projecting outwardly from the center of the same is a disk or plate 7, centrally perforated, as at 8, and

having its inner face provided with a series of radiating teeth 9.

10 designates a movable disk, centrally perforated, as at 11, to align with the perforation of the fixed disk, and, like the fixed disk, having its inner face provided with a series of teeth 12 to interlock with the same.

13 designates a binding-screw, which passes through the two disks, is threaded and provided with a binding-nut 14. The opposite end of the screw terminates in an eye 15, which is located in rear of the movable disk. At diametrically-opposite points the movable disk is provided with perforated bearing-lugs 16, which align with each other and with the eye of the binding-bolt.

17 designates a Y-shaped rod-holding yoke, the stem 18 of the Y being cylindrical and inserted through the perforated ears and the eye heretofore described. The upper or terminal portions of the Y diverge and terminate in oppositely-disposed curved hooks or holding-loops 19.

20 designates a rod, which is inserted over one loop and under the other loop or hook, so that said rod, while readily removable from the hooks or loops, yet is rigidly connected therewith in such a manner as to prevent any accidental displacement or withdrawal either by the fish or the motions of the boat. By loosening the binding-nut the holding-yoke may be turned or rotated in any direction and the movable disk adjusted with relation to the stationary disk, so as to lend to the holder and rod any degree of depression or elevation thereof. After such elevation has been secured a partial rotation of the binding-nut serves to snugly clamp the two disks together and inwardly draw the binding-bolt and its eye, so as to clamp the spindle or stem of the Y-shaped holding-yoke between the eye and the perforated lugs, whereby said yoke is prevented from rotation as well as a further depression or elevation.

It will be observed that I have provided a device having a universal adjustment, which is of simple, economical, and durable construction, may be easily cast, and is of exceedingly great convenience to fishermen.

A series of these holders may be employed in a boat and the fisherman be free to row

from one fishing-ground to the other or in trolling for fish, as desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

5 The herein-described fishing-rod holder, the same consisting of the U-shaped clamp-yoke having a clamping-screw and a centrally-perforated ratchet-disk, a similar ratchet-disk centrally perforated and meshing with the
10 disk of the clamp and provided upon its rear side with opposite perforated ears, a screw-eye passed through the perforations of the

two disks, a nut for the same, and a Y-shaped yoke or rod holder having oppositely-curved terminals and swiveled in the ears and screw 15 and adjustable by the latter, substantially as specified.

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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