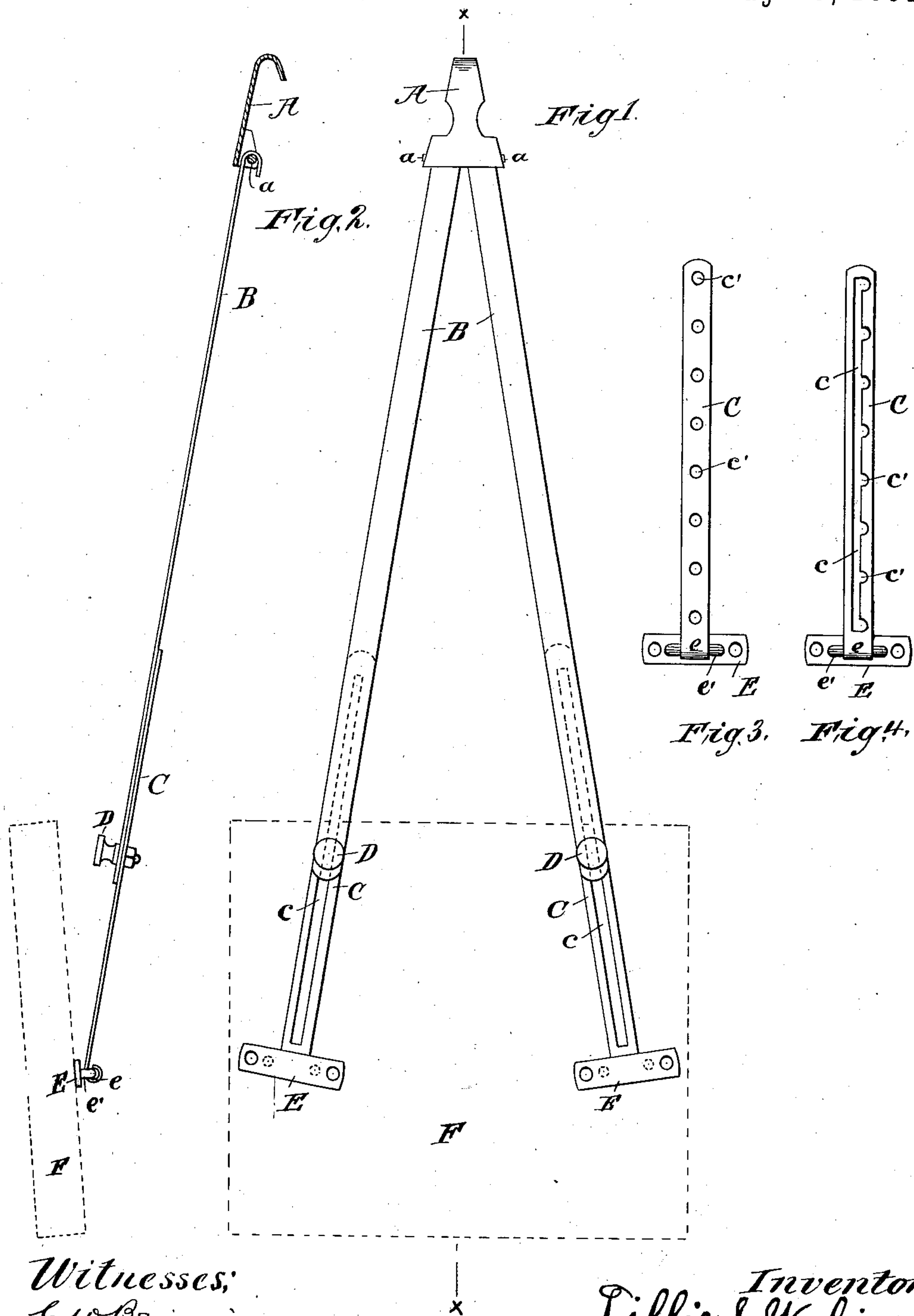


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LILLIE J. WYLIE, of Hoboken, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Hangers for Pictures and Analogous Articles, of which the following is a specification.

I will describe the improvement in detail, and then point out the novel features in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of a hanger embodying my improvement. Fig. 2 is a section taken through the dotted line *xx*, Fig. 1; and Figs. 3 and 4 are views illustrating modifications of parts of the hanger.

Similar letters of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures.

A designates a pendant curved at its upper end, so as to hang from the beads or strips of picture-molding now so commonly placed on the walls of rooms. On the inner side of the lower end of this pendant A are ears. Through these ears a pin *a* is run. Hanging from the pin *a* are strips B. These strips B are bent around the pin *a* at their upper ends, as shown, or the extreme ends of the strips may be bent entirely around, so as to preclude the possibility of the strips slipping off the pin *a*. I prefer to make the strips B of less width at the points, where they are held by the pin *a*, so that the strips may be adjusted at different angles to each other to accommodate frames of varying sizes.

Connected to the strips B at their lower ends are strips C. As shown in Fig. 1, these strips C have slits *c*.

D designates thumb screws, which hold the strips B and C together. At their lower ends *e* the strips C are bent around, so as to embrace the portions *e'* of the devices E, which are intended to be fastened to the rear of the frame of the picture or analogous article which it may be desired to hang.

In the drawings I have shown a frame F in dotted outline.

It will be readily seen that the strips B and C may be adjusted to any desired length for hanging the frame. The frame will conceal the thumb-screws and the portions of the strips C which are below the thumb-screws from view, while the parts of the strips C above the thumb-screws will be concealed from view by the strips B.

Instead of the thumb-screws D any desired means may be used for locking the strips B and C together.

Instead of the slits *c* in the strips C, I might punch holes *c'* in the strips C, as shown in Fig. 3; or I might use the form of slit illustrated in Fig. 4.

I prefer to make my hanger of light metal, and the surfaces of the strips B which are exposed to view above the frame may be embellished with any desired ornamentation.

It will be seen that by my improvement I produce a hanger which is not open to the objections made to hangers of cord and wire.

My hanger is light, strong, easily adjusted to any desired length, and of pleasing appearance. Moreover, it can easily be kept from tarnishing.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a hanger for pictures and analogous articles, the combination of a pendant curved at its upper end and having at its lower end ears through which a pin passes, strips suspended from said pin, other strips secured to said last-mentioned strips, means for adjusting said strips, which are secured to the strips which are suspended from the afore-said pin, and devices for securing said hanger to a picture or analogous article, substantially as specified.

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