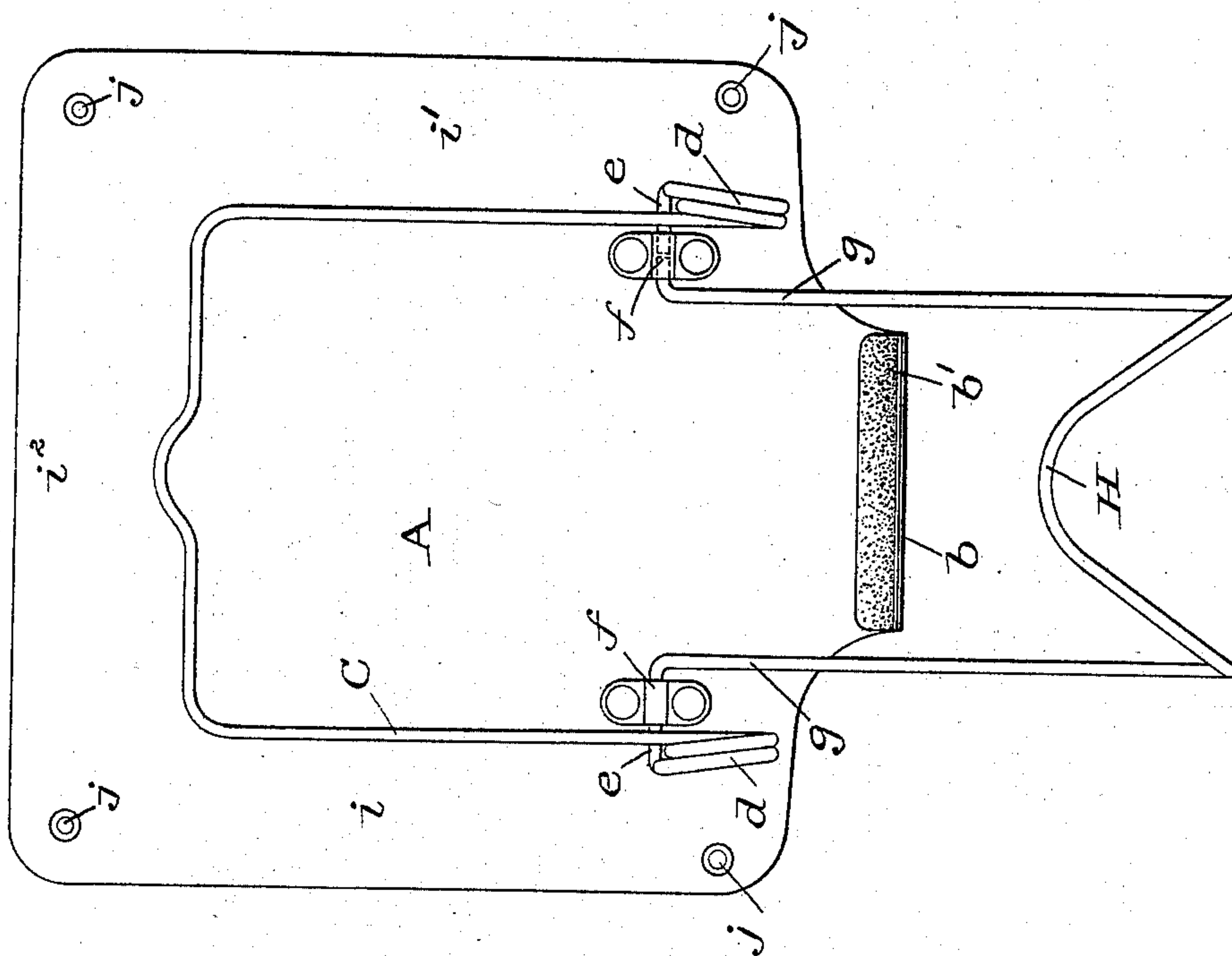
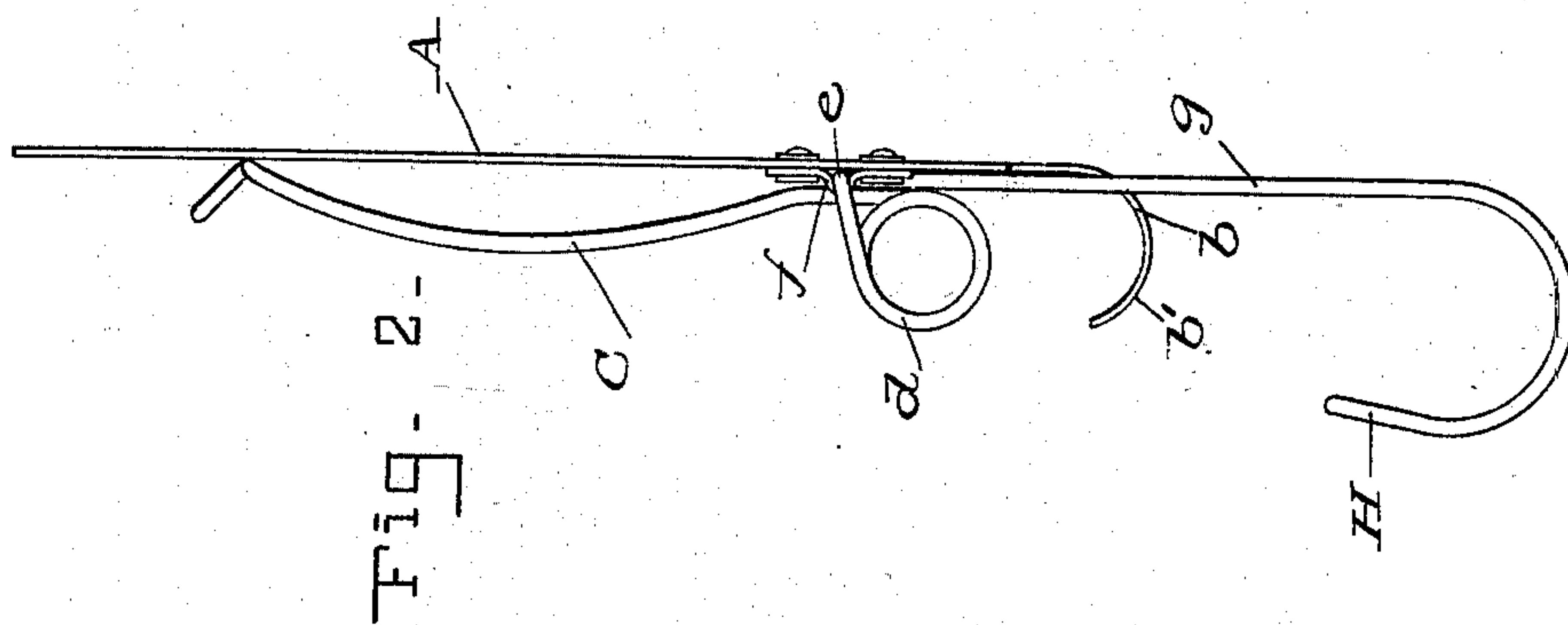


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE J. MORTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Harrisburg, in the county of Dauphin and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination Toilet-Racks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a convenient combination device for use in certain public places, such as hotel water-closets, hotel wash-rooms, billiard-parlors, railway-coaches, &c., and so constructed as to serve at one and the same time as a holder for a newspaper or package, a lighted cigar, and umbrella or cane, and also for the display of advertisements.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating the invention, Figure 1 is a front view, and Fig. 2 a side or edge view.

A suitable back plate A is provided to which the other parts are attached and which also serves for the display of an advertisement. At the lower part of this plate is a cigar, pipe, or cigarette receiver *b*, formed by bending forward a portion of the plate. In the present instance this cigar-receiver is made by producing at the center of the lower edge a tang less than the full width of the plate and then bending said tang into a curve, which takes a forward and upward direction. A "match-scratch" *b'* is on the outer side of the receiver.

A wire clamp C, whose outline is bail-shaped, is secured to the front of the plate, and its upper free end presses normally toward the plate and serves to hold a folded newspaper or any small package by clamping the same between the said upper bail-shaped end and the plate. This wire clamp has, at the lower part of each side, a spring-coil *d*, which gives the desired resiliency. From each of the two coils is a short lateral extension *e* of the wire, and a small metal clip *f* over this extension securely fastens the wire clamp to the plate. From the said lateral extension a downward portion *g* of the wire projects and constantly bears against the lower part of the plate A, and thus prevents the said lateral extensions *e* from turning loosely, like a pivot, in their bearings—the clips *f*. The two down-projecting portions *g* of the wire do not interfere with the cigar-receiver *b*.

The construction of the advertising-plate, cigar-rest, and the wire-clamp holder, as here described, is such as to make each a useful and efficient part without interference or hindrance to either of the other parts. The advertising-plate may display a phosphorescent, celluloid, or other advertising device.

A wire rack H is formed below the cigar-receiver by continuing the two down-projecting portions *g* past the ends of the receiver *b*, and shaping them into an upward-curved hook, located below the receiver, as shown. This rack or hook will support an umbrella or cane, or any bundle small enough to lay in the said rack.

It will be seen that the receiver *b* is narrower than the plate and curves forward between the two downward-projecting parts *g* of the hook.

The wire clamp C and the rack H are composed of one integral or continuous piece of wire, the two ends of which may abut and be united at any suitable point. In this instance the two ends are under one of the clips *f*, which holds said ends tight.

The plate A has holes *j*, for nails or screws, by which it may be secured to a wall or partition or door. It will be seen this plate has two side margins *i i'*, and a top margin *i''*, beyond the line of the wire clamp C. These margins as well as the center of the plate serve for the display of advertising-matter, the letters of which may be embossed or imprinted on the plate.

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

1. A new article of manufacture, consisting of a back plate, A, for advertising-matter having at its lowermost part a turned-up cigar-receiver which is narrower than the plate; a wire clamp having two side arms each secured to the back plate and the upper free part thereof pressed normally against the plate; and two wires attached to the plate and extending downward—each wire passing an opposite end of the said cigar-receiver—and bent into an upturned hook-shaped rack below said receiver.

2. The combination of the plate, A, having a portion turned up to form a receiver; the

clips, *f*, secured to the plate; and a clamp
and a rack made of one piece of wire bent to
form a flexible bail-shaped clamp, *C*, and also
bent to form the down-projecting rack or
5 hook, *H*, with the two ends of the wire ad-
joining and said ends secured under one of
the said clips.

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

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