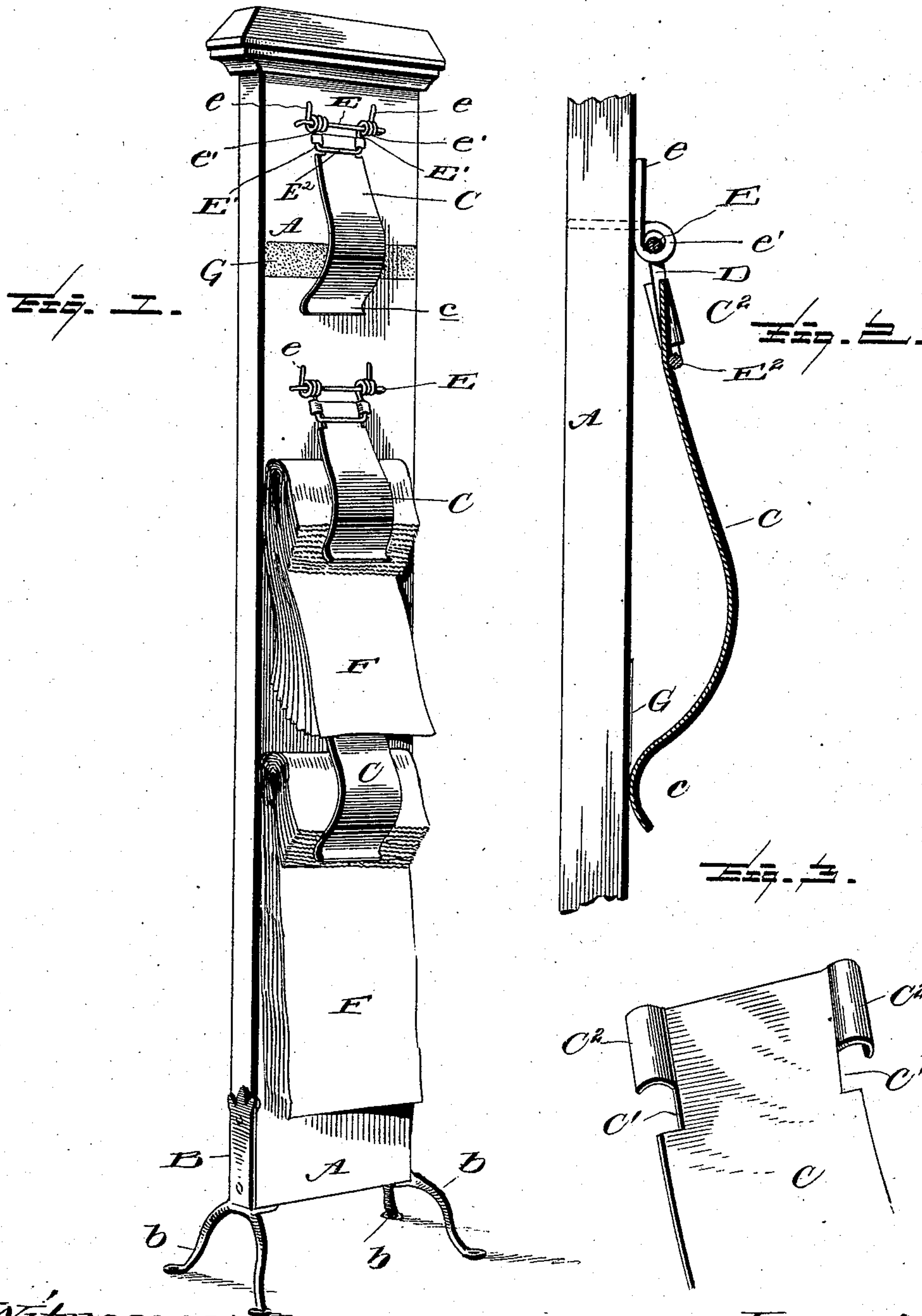


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## BAG-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ORREN G. NOSKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sheldon, in the county of Iroquois, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in bag-holders; and it has for its objects, among others, to provide a simple and cheap device for holding bags of any size and in any desired quantity. It is composed of few parts and constructed to hold the bags and yet permit of their ready removal one by one as may be required. The bag-holding device may be placed upon any suitable support and any desired number may be employed. The bag-holding device may be placed upon a portable or a fixed support.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will hereinafter appear in the following description, and the novel features thereof will be particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing one form of the invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged view with the bag-holding device in vertical section and the support in elevation; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view, on an enlarged scale, of a portion of the bag-holding spring.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a support of any desired character. It may be the wall of a building or it may be an upright, as indicated in Fig. 1, secured to the vertical portions B of the castings, having feet *b*, which may rest upon the floor or counter, and, if desired, may be affixed thereto by screws or other means passed through the openings in the horizontal portions of the legs. On this upright may be one, two, or more of the bag-holding devices. Each of these devices is constructed as follows:

C is a spring-plate bent as shown, having its lower end bent as at *c* and its free end curved outwardly, so as to be readily grasped by the hand when necessary, and the upper end is designed to be engaged over the substantially parallel portions of a spring D. This spring has its opposite ends coiled around a rod or bar E, held to the support in any suitable manner, as by having its ends bent at right angles to its length and inserted in the support, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 2, or otherwise, as may be preferred. The free ends *e* of the wire or rod E bear against the outer face of the support A, while the coil *e'* loosely encircles said rod or wire, as shown, and the wire after being thus coiled is extended to form the substantially parallel arms E' and the cross portion E<sup>2</sup> parallel with the rod E, and it is about these parallel portions E' that the upper end of the plate C is affixed in the following manner: The upper end of said plate has upon its opposite sides notches C', and the portions C<sup>2</sup> above said notches are extended and curved, as shown, so as to embrace the parallel portions E' of the spring-wire, the end of the spring-plate C being extended beneath the horizontal portion E<sup>2</sup> of said wire and the notches C' receiving the wire at the junction of the parallel arms and the horizontal portion.

The operation will be apparent, the device being shown in Fig. 1 in position for use, the bags being folded, as indicated, and the folded ends held beneath the bent portion C<sup>4</sup> of the spring-plate.

In some cases I may employ a strip of emery-paper or sandpaper G or other roughened surface upon the face of the support in proximity to the lower end of the plate C to increase the frictional contact between the bags and the support, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 2.

Modifications in detail may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages.

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

1. The combination with a rod, of a wire

having its ends coiled thereabout, and a spring-plate having notches and parallel portions bent to engage over the parallel portions of said wire; substantially as described.

5 2. The combination with a rod, of a wire having its ends coiled thereabout, and a spring-plate having notches and parallel portions bent to engage over the parallel por-

tions of said wire and having its lower end curved and bent outwardly; as set forth. 10

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

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