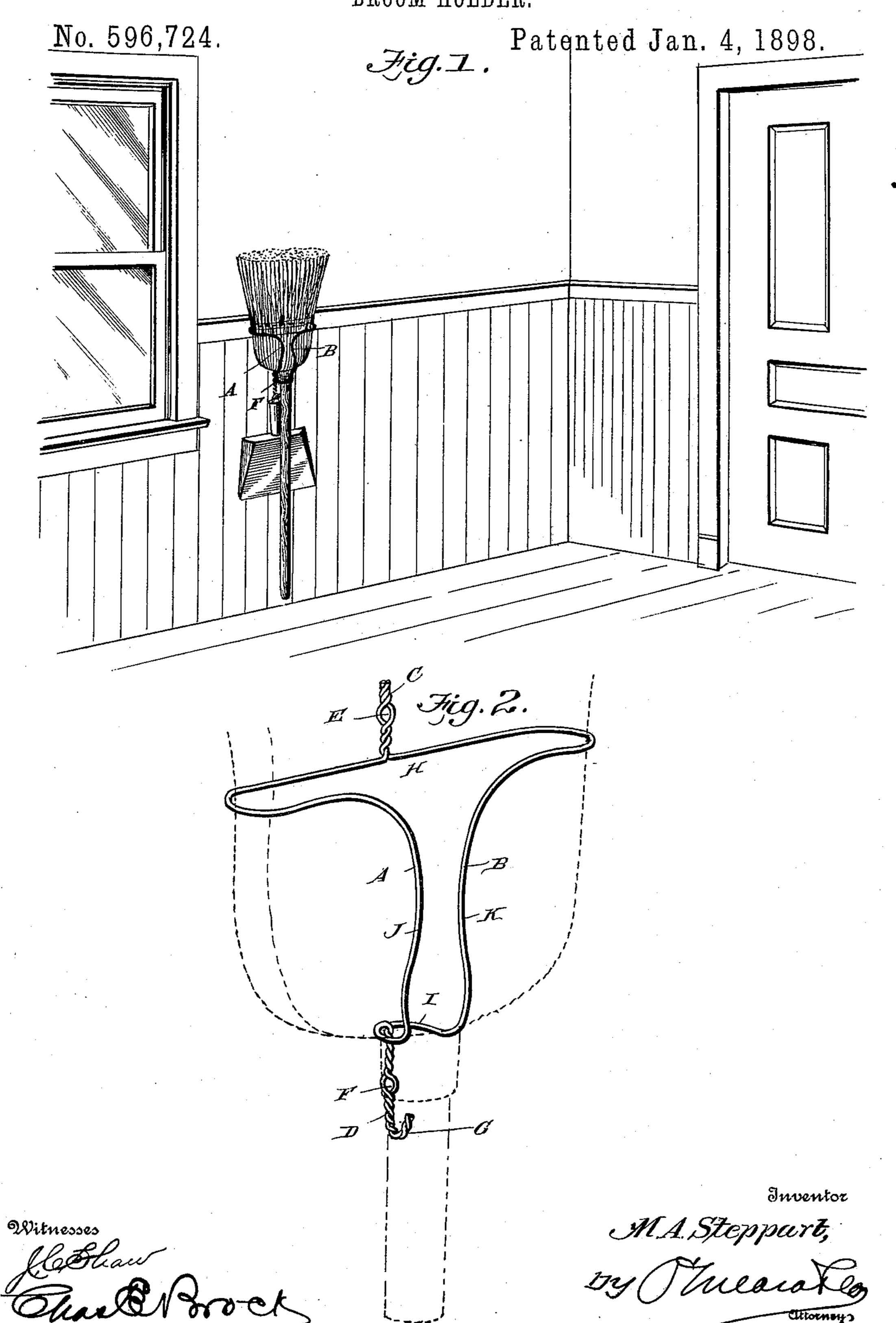
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## BROOM-HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAX A. STEPPART, residing at Erie, in the county of Erie and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Broom-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to broom-holders, and more particularly to a holder formed of wire.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap and simple combination broom and dust-pan holder for attachment to the wall of a room or other vertical support, the construction and operation of which will be fully described hereinafter and the particular points of novelty specifically pointed out in the claim.

In order that my invention may be fully understood, I will proceed to describe the same with reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my invention in practice. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing in dotted lines the broom sup-

In the said drawings, A B represent the two pieces of wire out of which I form my support. The ends of the wire are twisted, as shown at C and D, so as to form the eyes E and F, by which the support is attached to a wall. The end D is bent, as shown at G, which hook is designed as a support for a dust-pan, as shown in Fig. 1. The two wires are bent so as to form the large loop H, which surrounds the broom-head, and with the small loop I, which surrounds the ferrule of the broom and serves as a support for the broom-

head, as clearly shown in Fig. 1. The two loops are joined by the lengths of wire J and K, which serve as supports for the broomhead.

The operation of my device is as follows: The support is secured to the wall by passing nails or screws through the eyes E and F. The broom is then passed handle first through the loop H and through the loop I and dropped 45 until the broom-head rests upon the loop I of the support. It will thus be seen that the broom is effectively held in position on the wall and out of the way.

As above stated, a dust-pan may be sup- 50 ported from the loop G.

From the above it will be seen that I have provided a cheap, simple, and effective broomsupport for attachment to a wall that also serves as a support for a dust-pan.

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

An improved broom-holder, consisting of two pieces of wire twisted together at their 60 ends, the intermediate portions being distended and formed in substantial loops adapted to nearly encircle the broom-head and ferrule respectively, eyes formed in each of the twisted ends, and a hook formed in the lower 65 end, all substantially as herein shown and set forth.

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