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Fig. 1.

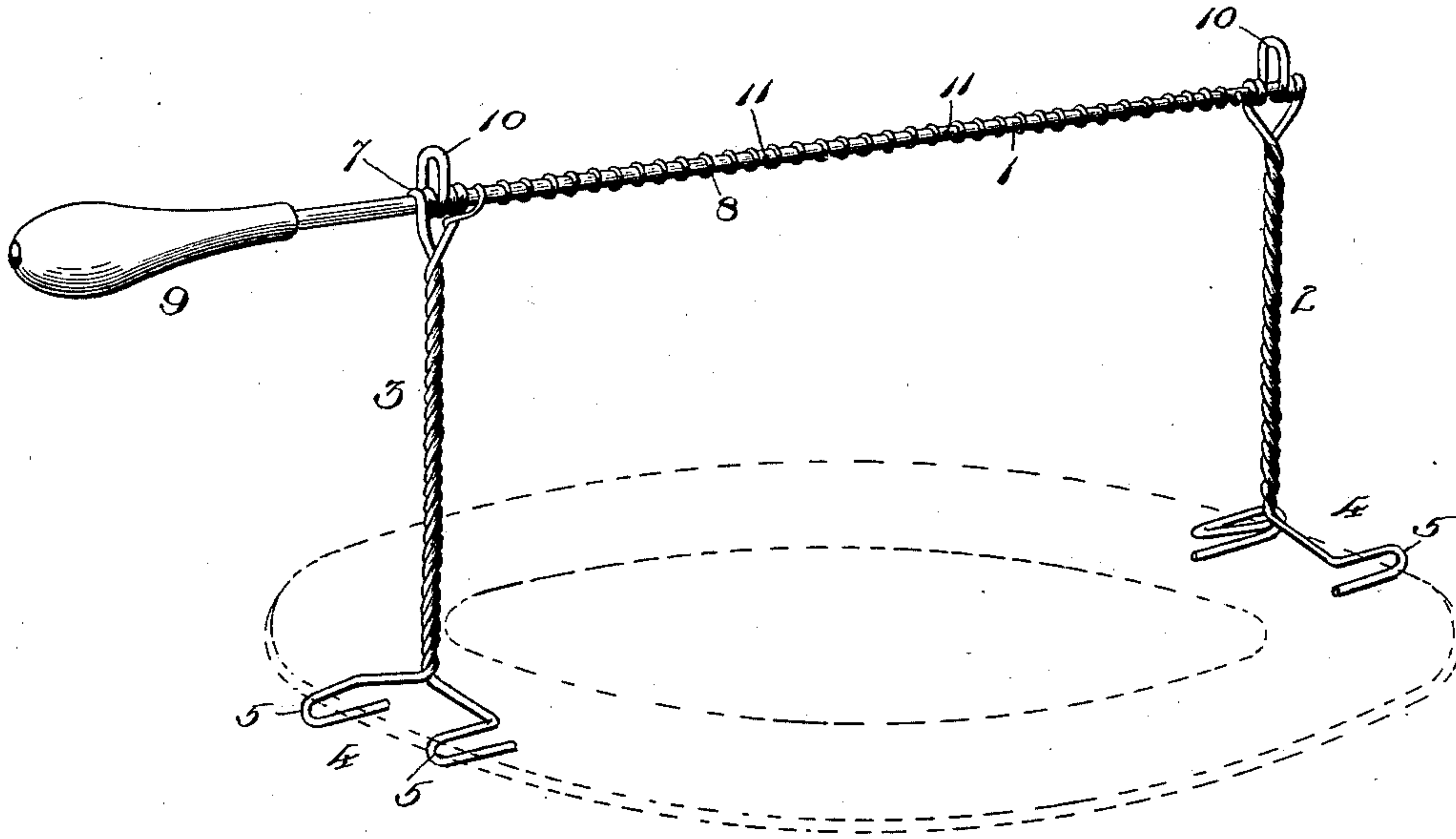
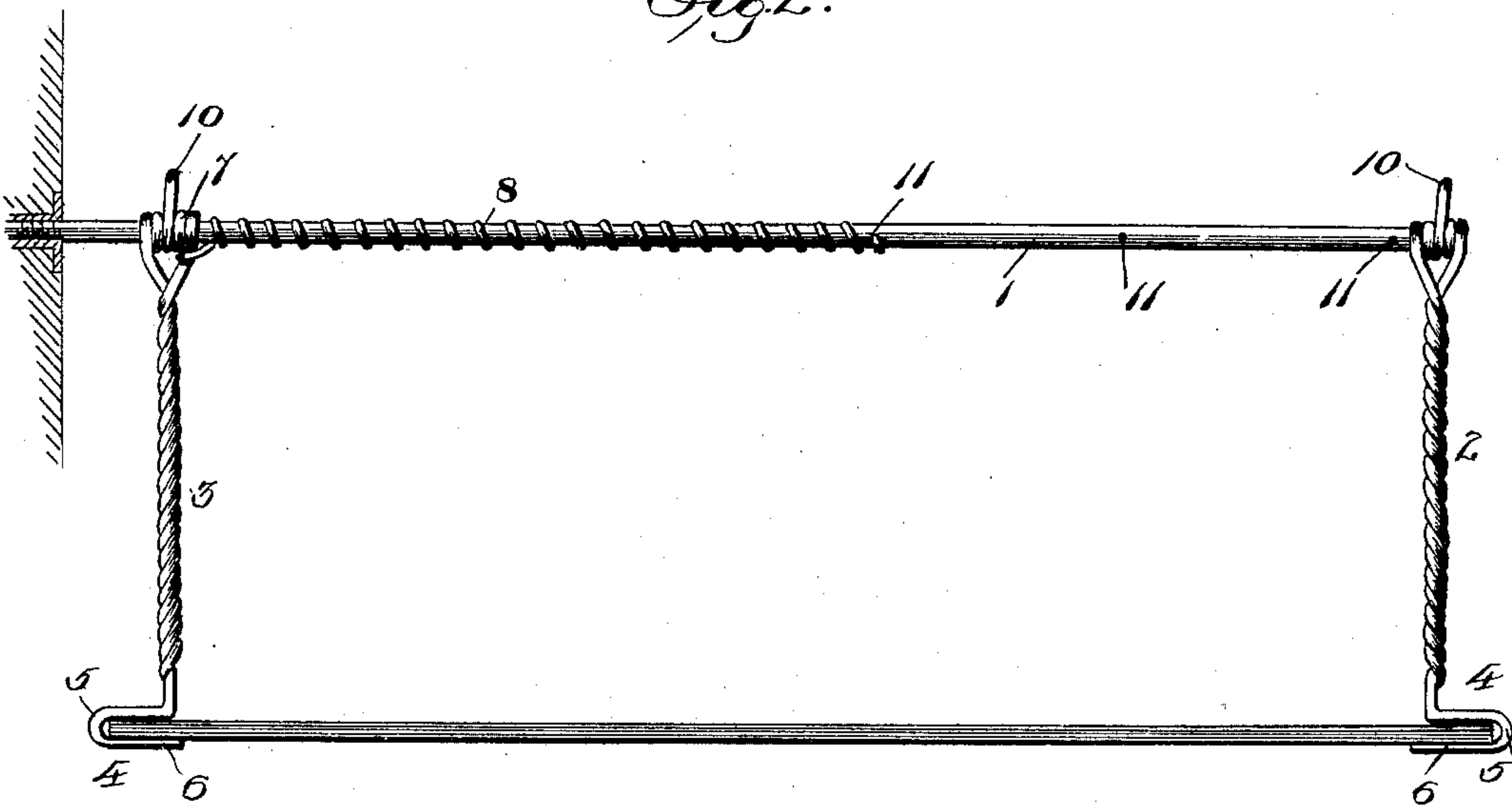


Fig. 2.



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SUPPORTING-BRACKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, CHARLES H. HAHN and CLARENCE E. SALEWSKY, of New Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Supporting-Brackets; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention has reference to a novel construction in a supporting-bracket, the object being to provide a device of this character that can be used for supporting dishes or may be used for the purpose of supporting shelves, although the uses to which the device can be put vary as occasion may require.

The invention consists in the features of construction hereinafter described and specifically claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a supporting-bracket constructed in accordance with this invention and illustrating a plate supported thereby. Fig. 2 is a side elevation showing the same as fastened to a wall for the purpose of supporting a shelf or other device.

Referring now to said drawings, 1 indicates a rod which is provided with a stationary depending arm 2 and a movable arm 3. The lower ends of these arms are each provided with supporting-fingers 4, which in the instance illustrated consist of two fingers extending on opposite sides of the arms, which are bent to the rear, as shown at 5, and then bent upon themselves and forwardly, as shown at 6. In this way it is seen that we provide two supporting fingers or jaws to receive the edge of a plate, shelf, or other article. The movable arm 3 is provided at its upper end with a sleeve 7, through which the rod passes, whereby this arm can slide upon the rod. A spring 8 is connected with the movable arm and serves to move the same toward the stationary arm, said spring 8 encircling the rod and connected at one end with said movable arm and at its other end with the rod or with the stationary arm. The end of the rod is

provided with a suitable handle 9, which is preferably screw-threaded thereon, whereby it can be removed for the purpose of substituting other forms of handles or for the purpose of screwing the rod into a screw-threaded socket in the wall or the like, as shown in Fig. 2. The arms 2 and 3 are each provided with eyes or loops 10 at their upper ends, by means of which the bracket can be supported from hooks or supporting-cords for the purpose of displaying different articles or for supporting a shelf.

This steering-bracket can be used in a variety of ways—for instance, for carrying or holding hot plates or for displaying plates on which articles are placed, or it may be used in show-windows or in shops for supporting glass or similar shelves.

In using the device the movable arm is moved outwardly upon the rod against the action of the spring and then allowed to move backwardly under the influence of the spring, whereby the plate, shelf, or other article is held within the supporting-fingers 4.

As before stated, the bracket can be supported itself by hooks that engage with the loops or eyes, or its screw-threaded end may be screwed into a socket, as shown.

As shown in said drawings, the rod is provided with a plurality of openings 11, to which one end of the spring can be secured. It is noted that one end of the spring is secured to the movable arm, while the other end is secured to the rod by inserting an end thereof through one of these openings. In this way the movable arm can be adjusted in relation to the stationary arm, so as to accommodate dishes or articles of larger size without changing the spring.

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

1. The combination with a rod provided at one end with an arm extending substantially at a right angle thereto and having bent fingers for the purpose specified, of a second arm also extending at right angles to said rod and having a sleeve in which the rod is slidingly received, the second arm being also provided with bent fingers, and a spring coiled around

the rod and attached at one end to the sliding arm while its opposite end is adjustably connected to the rod, substantially as described.

5 2. A bracket consisting of a rod provided with a stationary arm and with a movable arm, said arms being provided with supporting-fingers, a plurality of openings in said rod, and a spring mounted upon said rod and
10 secured at one end to said movable arm and

having its other end removably secured within one of said openings.

In testimony whereof we have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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