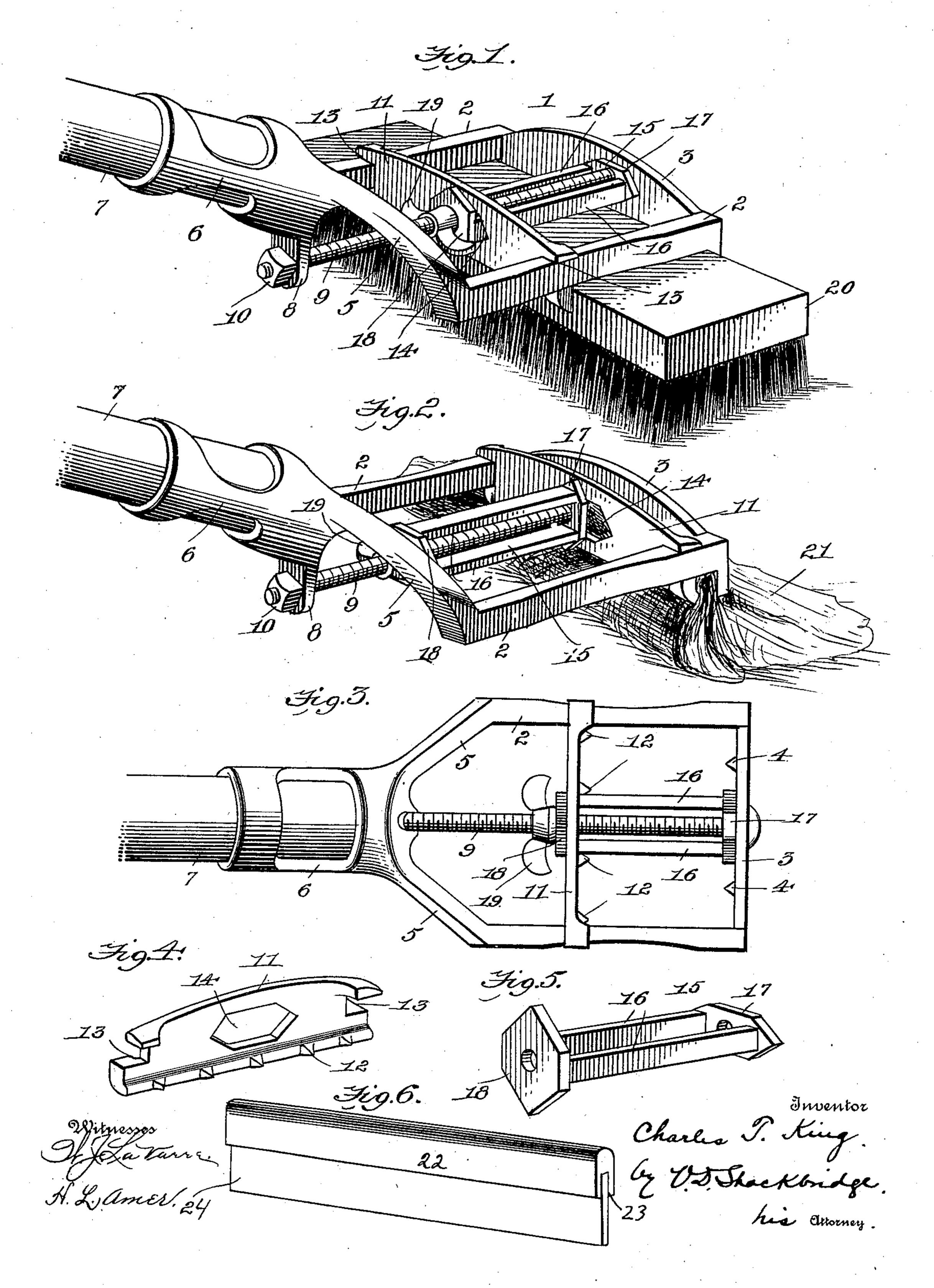
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES T. KING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Convertible Scrubbing-Brushes and Mop-Holders; and I 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.

The object of my invention is to provide a convertible scrubbing-brush and mop-holder by means of which two devices of different widths may be readily clamped in the holder by a slight movement of the adjustment-

screw.

The invention consists of a holder comprising a body made up of a casting constituting 20 the frame and having side bars constituting guides, a socket-piece for the reception of a handle, and a toothed cross-bar connecting said side bars and constituting the stationary member of the clamp, a threaded rod or bolt 25 connecting said cross-bar and a lug or projection on the body, a movable clamping member having notches or recesses in which the side bars are adapted to fit and provided with a central elongated opening, an adjust-30 ment-screw on the threaded rod or bolt and a follower loosely mounted on said bolt, the same consisting of an integral casting comprising two parallel side bars, an elongated head connecting said side bars, slightly smaller 35 than the opening through the movable member of the clamp, and a base slightly larger than said opening.

The invention also consists in other details of construction and combinations of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the drawings forming part of this specification, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved holder, showing a scrubbing-brush applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same with a mop applied thereto, the movable member of the clamp being located adjacent to the stationary member thereof and held in such position by the follower and the adjustment-screw. Fig. 3 is a plan view with the brush and mop removed.

Fig. 4 is a detailed perspective view of the movable member of the clamp. Fig. 5 is a similar view of the follower, and Fig. 6 is a similar view of the window-cleaner employed. 55

Like reference-numerals indicate like parts

in the different views.

The body 1 of my improved holder is a casting comprising parallel arms 22, constituting guides; a cross-bar 3, connecting the arms 22, 60 provided with teeth 4 4, constituting the stationary member of the clamp, and diagonallyarranged converging arms 55, leading upwardly from the arms 2 2 and terminating in a socket 6 for the reception of the handle 7. 65 Leading downwardly from the socket 6 from the point of connection of the converging arms 5 5 is a lug 8, through which and the cross-bar 3 passes a threaded rod or bolt 9, the same being secured in position by means 70 of a nut 10 upon one end thereof. The movable member 11 of the clamp consists of a plate or casting having teeth 12 12 along the lower side edge thereof, notches 13 13 in the ends in which fit the side bars 2, by means 75 of which said movable member is guided in its forward and inward movement, and an elongated slot 14. Mounted loosely on the threaded rod or bolt 9 is a follower 15, which is made up of two parallel side bars 16 16; an 80 elongated head 17, connecting said side bars at their forward ends of substantially the same shape as the elongated slot 14 in the movable clamping member 11, but of slightly-smaller dimensions, and a base 18, connecting the 85 rear ends of the side bars, which is wider than the opening 14. The said follower is moved forwardly by means of an adjustment-screw 19 on the threaded rod or bolt 9.

In Fig. 1 of the drawings my invention has 90 been illustrated in connection with a scrubbing-brush, wherein the brush (indicated by the numeral 20) is held between the teeth 12 on the movable clamping member 11, and the teeth 4 on the cross-bar 3 constituting the 95 stationary clamping member. The clamp is tightened by turning the adjustment-screw 19 and may be released by reversing said operation. In doing this the base 18 of the follower 15 bears against the rear surface of the 100 movable clamping member 11 and the adjustment-screw 19 bears against said base.

If it be desired to use the holder in connection with a mop or window-cleaner which is considerably narrower than the base of the brush 20, the said brush is removed and 5 the movable clamping member 11 moved forwardly toward the cross-bar 3 until the same passes beyond the head 17 of the follower 15. The said follower is then turned a quarter-revolution, so that the head 17 will bear 10 against the rear surface of the clamping member 11 and will not pass through the opening 14 therein. By a slight movement of the adjustment-screw 19 the two members of the clamp may be brought into close relation one 15 with the other for the purpose of locking the mop 21 or the window-cleaner 22 in place. The said cleaner 22 consists of a narrow strip, constituting the body, having a longitudinally-extending groove 23 therein, in which 20 fits a stationary strip of rubber 24.

The invention has been described as being particularly adapted for use with scrubbing-brushes, mops, and window-cleaners. It is obvious, however, that it may be used for any purpose wherein it is desirable to clamp bodies of widely-different thicknesses. For example, if it be desired to use the scrubbing-brush 20 upon ceilings or upon any overhead work the same may be locked in the clamp edgewise, necessitating the movement of the members of the clamp in close relation one to the other. This adjustment may be readily and quickly obtained by the

means heretofore described.

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

Patent, is—

1. A clamp comprising two members, means for adjusting one of said members, and a follower located between one of said members and the adjusting means, the same adapted to engage said movable member at one point when in one position, and to slide freely therethrough and to engage said movable member at another point when in the other position, as and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a clamp, two members, one of which is movable and has an opening therein, a

threaded rod or bolt, an adjustment-screw on said rod or bolt, and a follower loose on said 50 bolt and provided with a head adapted to pass through said opening when in one position, and to engage the rear side of the movable member of the clamp when in another position, as and for the purpose set forth. 55

3. In a clamp, two members, one of which is movable and has an elongated opening therein, a threaded rod or bolt, an adjustment-screw on said rod and a follower mounted loose on said rod provided with an elongated head at one endadapted to pass freely through said opening when in one position, and to engage the rear side of the movable member when in the other position, and a base adapted to engage the rear side of said 65 movable member, as and for the purpose set forth.

4. In a convertible scrubbing-brush and mop-holder, the combination with the body, having a socket for the reception of a handle, 70 a downwardly-extending lug, parallel side arms and a cross-bar connecting said side arms and constituting the stationary member of a clamp, of a threaded rod or bolt connecting said cross-bar and said lug, a movable 75 member having notches or slots in the ends thereof, in which said side arms fit, and an elongated slot through which said threaded bolt passes, a follower loosely mounted on said bolt, having parallel side arms, an elon- 80 gated head connecting the forward ends thereof adapted to pass freely through said opening when in one position, and to engage the rear side of said movable member when in another position, a base connecting the oppo-85 site ends of the side arms of said follower, adapted to engage the rear side of said movable member, and an adjustment-screw on said bolt for moving said follower, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature

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