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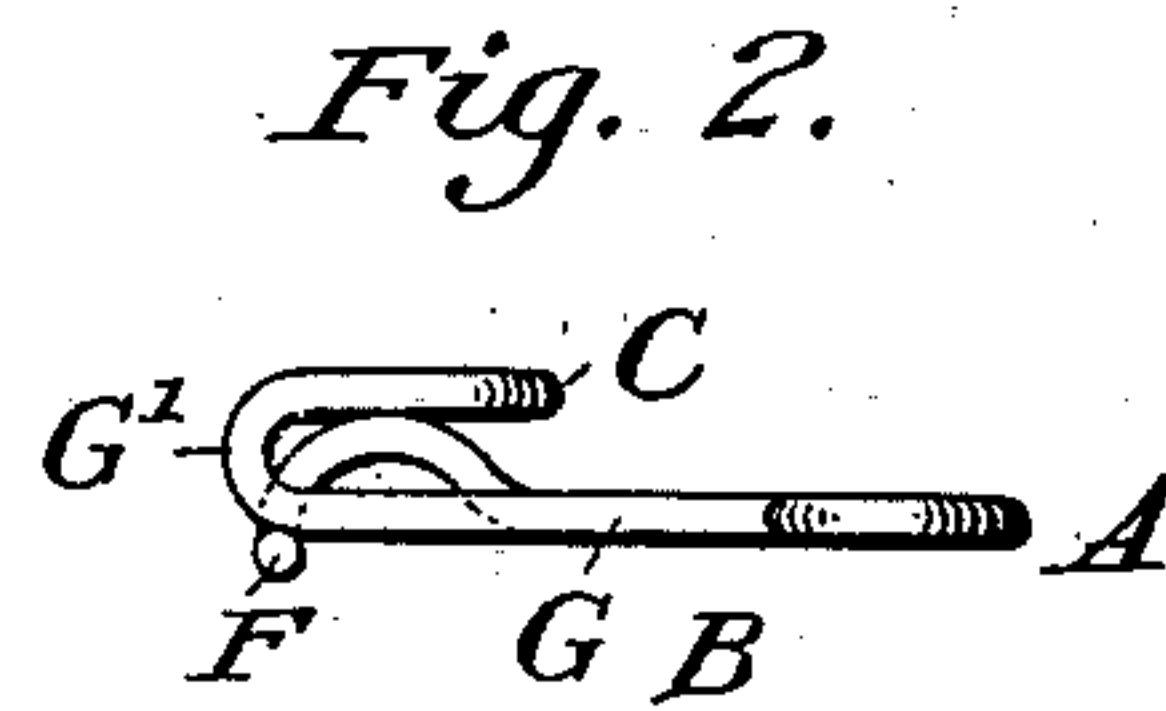
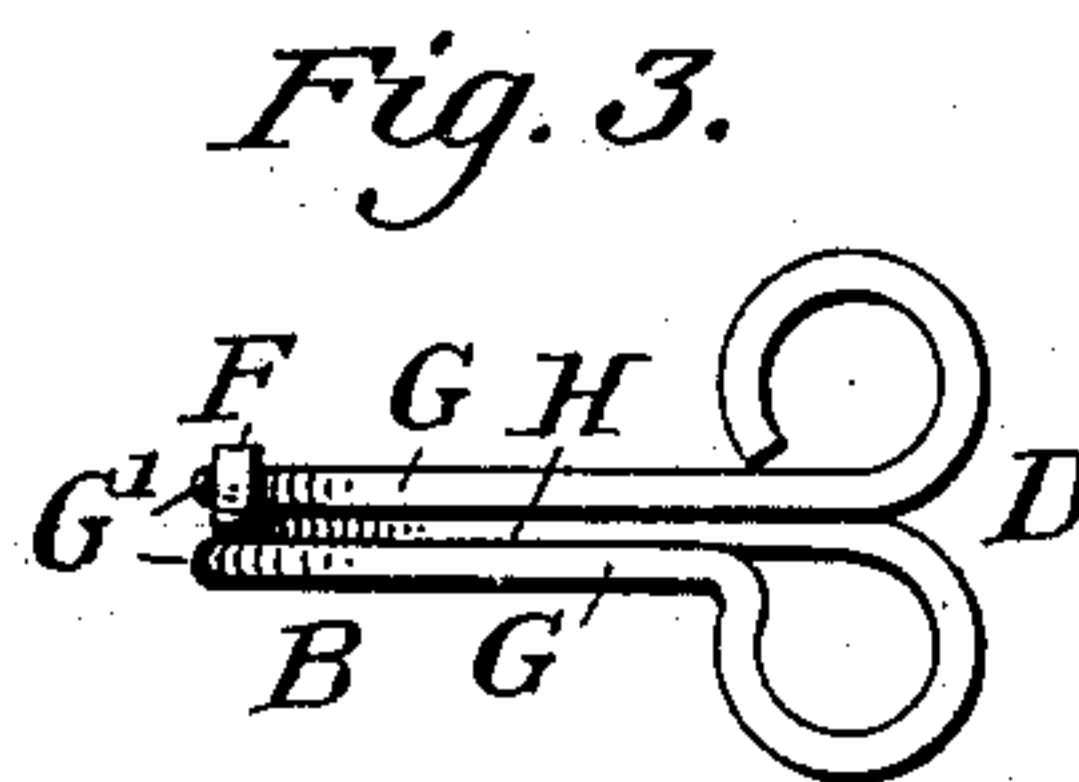
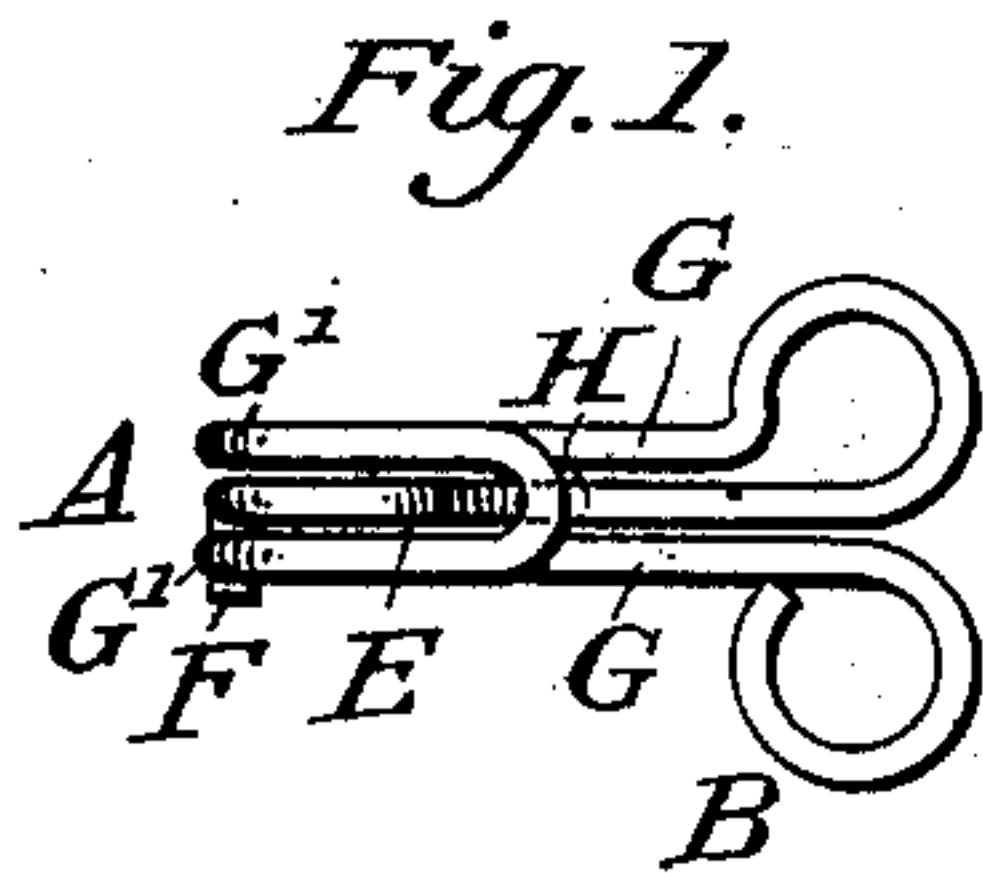
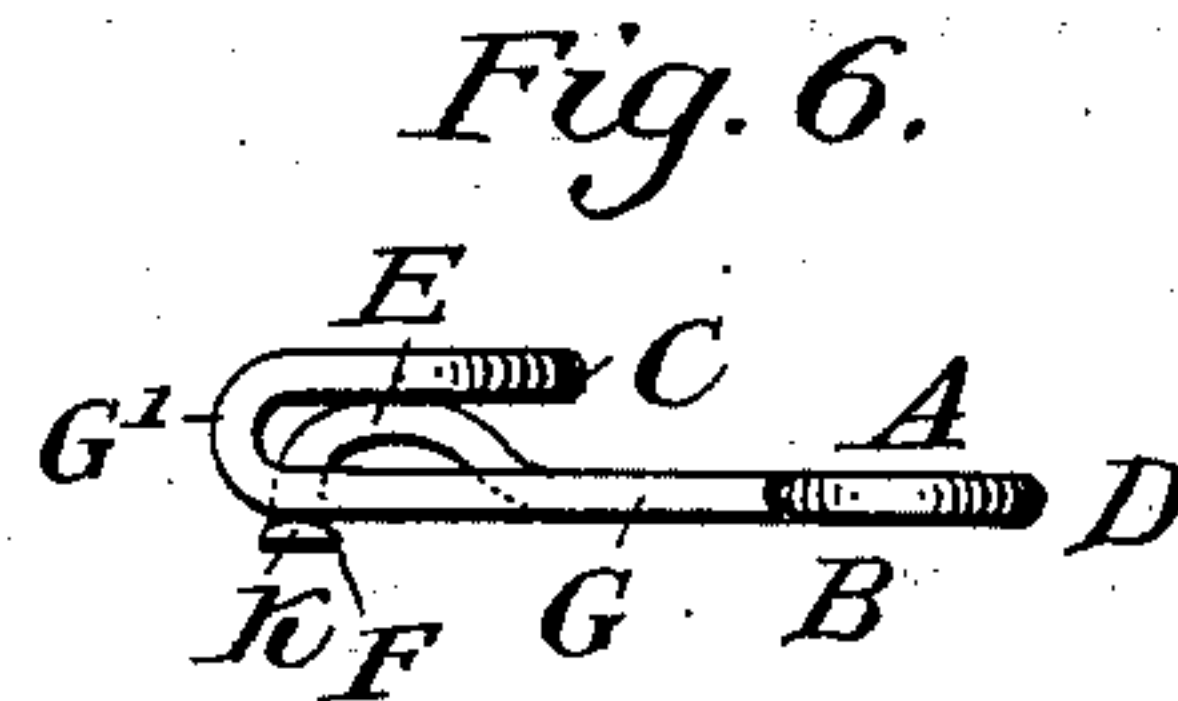
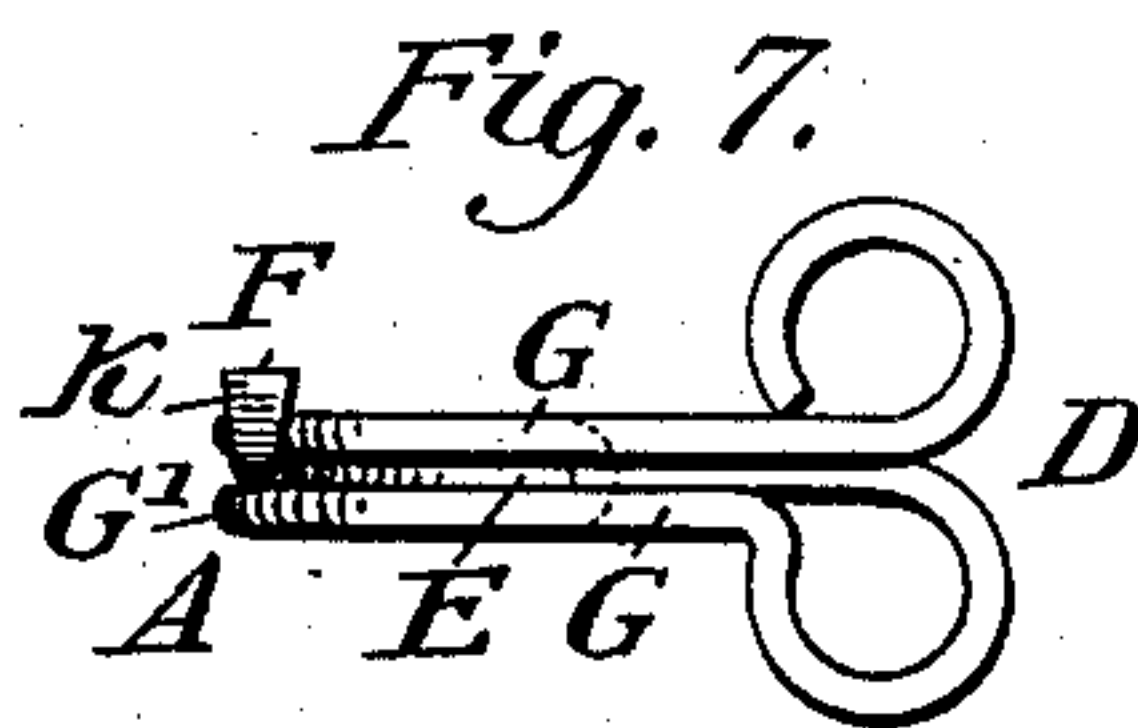
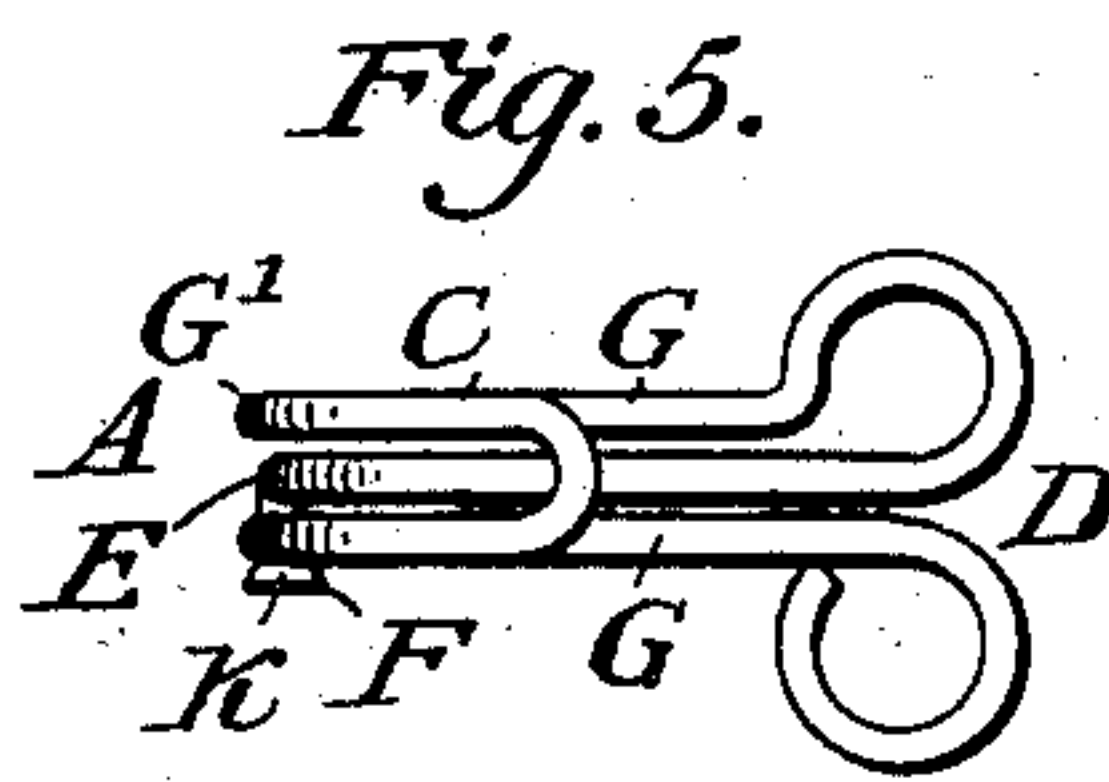
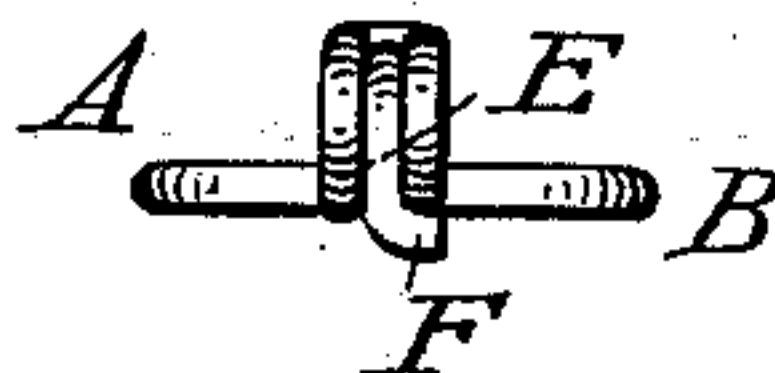


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN MURRAY GUILBERT, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hooks for Garments, &c., which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

10 My invention relates to garment-hooks or the hook member of a hook and eye, and particularly to that class having a guard or projection extending from the shank toward the bill for the purpose of retaining the eye and preventing accidental disengagement.

15 It has been found necessary to fasten hooks to garments by stitches passed around the side bars of the hook near its bend back of the bill, and in hooks having guard-carrying tongues much difficulty has been experienced by the end of the guard-carrying tongue pushing forward and wedging into the stitches at the bend of the hook, thus allowing the hook to become displaced from its proper position on the garment. It is also important that the stitches near the bend of the hook should not inclose the end of the tongue, thus interfering with its resiliency or freedom of movement, and thereby preventing the easy adjustment of the eye. A further disadvantage in hooks of this class is the liability of the end of the guard-carrying tongue to rise above the side bars and allow the eye to become caught thereunder. It has been proposed to extend the guard-carrying tongue rearwardly between the side bars to the back of the bill and to provide it at its extremity with a stop abutting at the rear against the back of the bill, and it has also been proposed to form said stop into an eye adapted for attachment for sewing to the garment. Such constructions are objectionable, as retaining-threads passed through the eye at the end of the tongue will not hold the hook securely, as an outward strain will pull the hook up from the garment, twisting the tongue out of position and rendering the hook thereafter useless, and in any construction where the end of the guard-carrying tongue is extended back of the bill retaining-threads passed around side bars of the hook near its bend will also inclose the end of the tongue, thus allowing the

guard to push forward and wedge into the threads and preventing the tongue from having the requisite freedom of movement. 55

It is the object of my invention to provide a garment-hook of the character described with a guard-carrying tongue so constructed that it will not become wedged or be inclosed by side-bar-retaining threads located at or near the bend of the hook and at the same time will not rise above the side bars and allow the eye to become caught thereunder. 60

It is also desirable that the guard-carrying tongue should be so constructed that it will occupy a minimum amount of space below the side bars and will not have the effect either of unduly elevating the hook from the cloth or forming an objectionable lump or protuberance. In carrying out my invention I extend the end of the guard-carrying tongue below and between the side bars and bend its extremity laterally to one side under one of the side bars, thus forming on the end of the guard-carrying tongue an angle-piece. It will be noticed that by providing the guard-carrying tongue with this angle-piece I am enabled to terminate the tongue, so as to leave sufficient space between the end of the tongue and the back of the bill for the passage of threads, by which the bill may be secured to the garment without said threads inclosing and thus wedging the tongue. To enable the portion of the angle which extends under the side bar to occupy a minimum space, it is flattened. 75 80 85

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of a hook embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is an inverted plan view. Fig. 4 is an end elevation; and Figs. 5, 6, and 7 are respectively plan, side, and inverted plan views of the hook, showing the flattening of the end of the tongue. 90

The hook A is composed of a continuous piece of wire bent in the usual manner into the shank B, turned over bill C and fastening-eyes D, with the tongue H lying between the side bars G G of the shank and carrying the guard or projection E, extending toward the bill. The end of this tongue H beyond the guard E is extended down between the side bars G G of the shank and at a point slightly in front of the bend G' of the bill is bent lat- 100

erally into an angle-piece F under one of the side bars, thus effectively acting as a stop to prevent the end of the tongue from rising above the side bars and at the same time leaving sufficient space (see Figs. 3 and 6) for the sewing of the bill of the hook to the garment without embracing the end of the tongue or impeding its freedom of action. To enable this laterally-bent angle-piece of the tongue to occupy a minimum space under the side bar, it is flattened, as shown in Figs. 5, 6, and 7. This flattening also has a tendency to widen the angle-piece F and render it more certain.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is as follows:

1. A garment-hook having a guard for the bill carried by a tongue H having its extremity extended down between the side bars and bent, at a point slightly in front of the

bend of the bill, laterally under one of the side bars to form an angle-piece F abutting from the rear against said side bar in front of the bend of the bill, substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. A garment-hook having a guard for the bill carried by a tongue H having its extremity extended down between the side bars and bent, at a point slightly in front of the bend of the bill, laterally under one of the side bars and flattened to form a lateral flattened angle-piece F abutting from the rear against said side bar in front of the bend of the bill, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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