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Fig. 1.

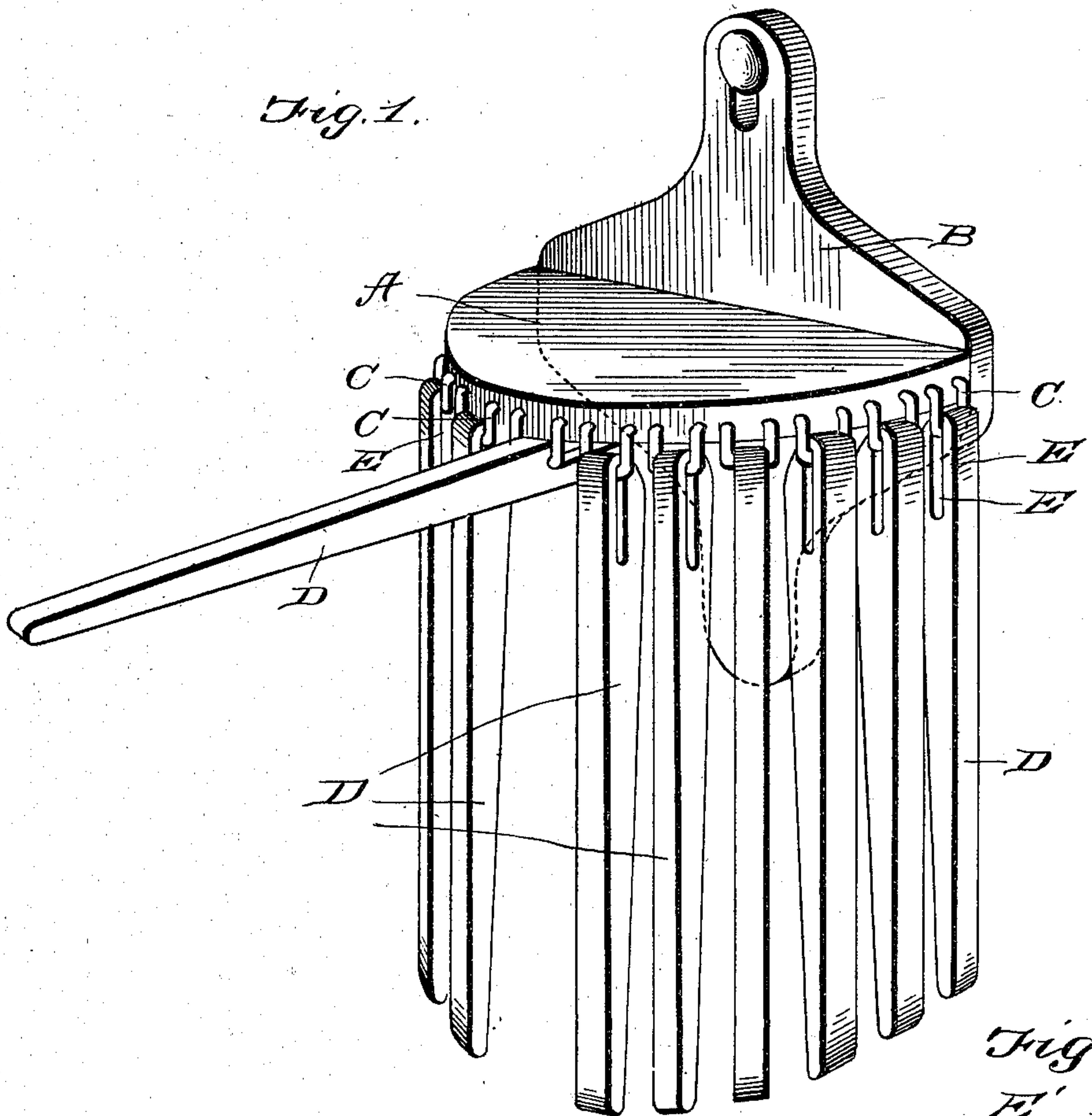


Fig. 2

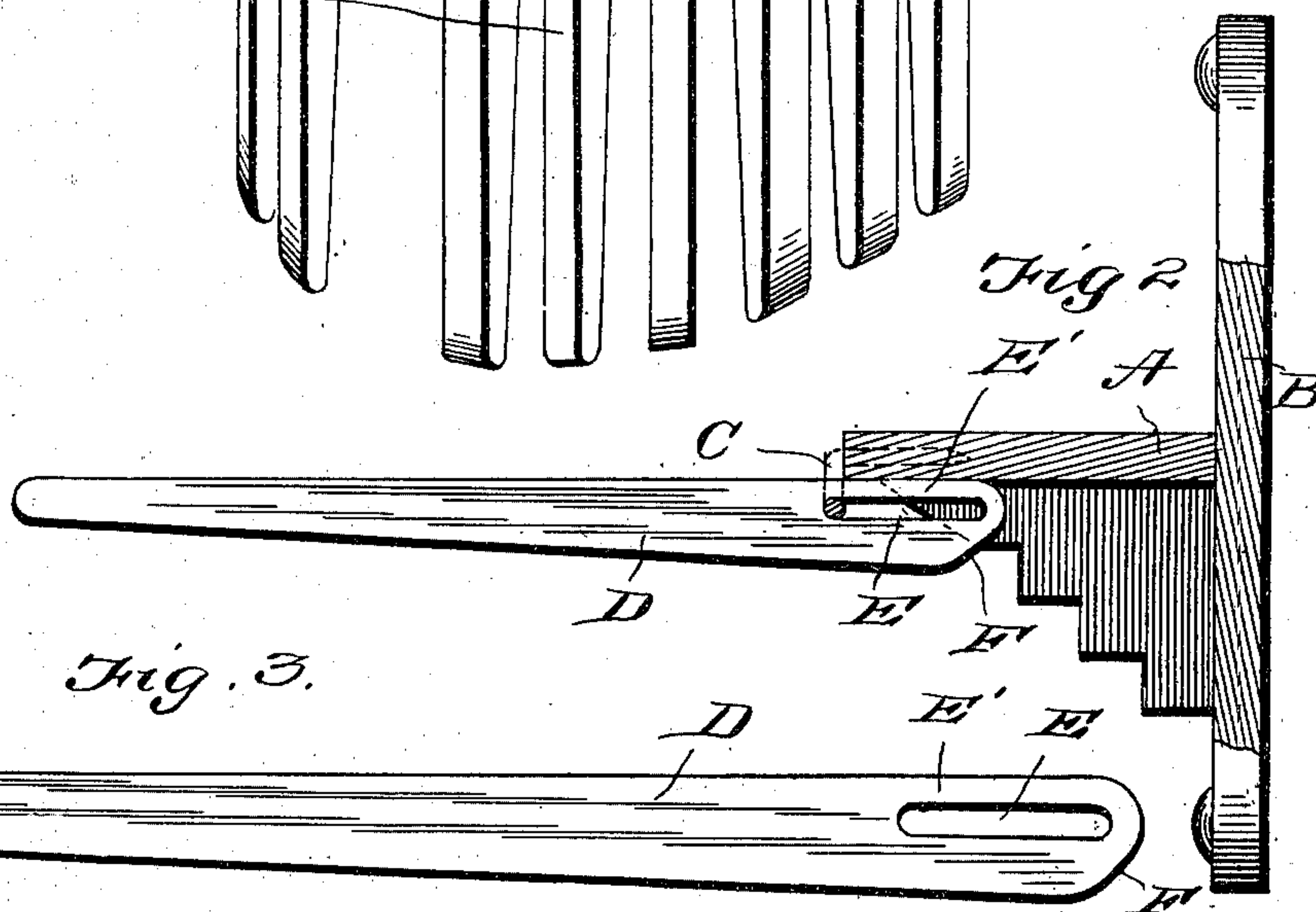
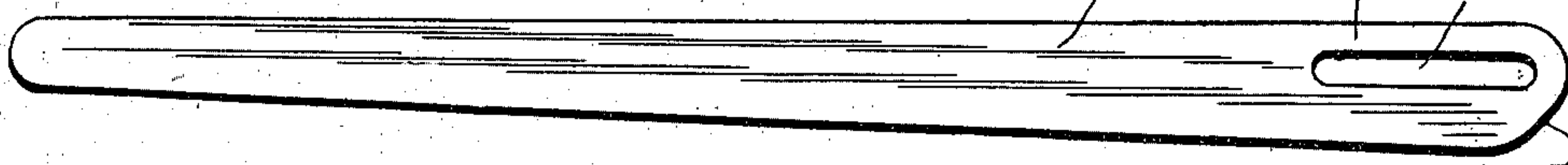


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT SHULL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Guernsey, in the county of Poweshiek and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Racks; and I do 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in clothes-hangers; and it consists in the provision of a bracket-shelf having a series of right-angled staples fastened about the marginal edge of the bracket and fingers or clothes-holding rods having elongated slots adapted to be hung upon said staples and have a longitudinal movement when held in horizontal positions, whereby either end of the finger or rod may be held underneath the bracket-shelf and fulcrumed over the angled staple.

The invention consists, further, in various details of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described and then specifically defined in the appended claim.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved clothes-holder, some of the rods being shown in adjusted horizontal positions. Fig. 2 is a sectional view showing in side elevation the manner in which the rods are held. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of one of the rods separated from the holder or bracket-shelf.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a bracket-shelf secured to the plate B, which is adapted to be fastened to the wall, and arranged about the marginal edge of said shelf is a series of right-angled staples C, which are fixed to the shelf and project down in a circle which is parallel with the outline of the shelf.

D designate the rods or fingers, which have each an elongated slot E adjacent to their in-

ner ends and at one side of the longitudinal center of the rod or finger. Each of said rods has a cut-away portion F, whereby the end of the rod is prevented from contacting with the under surface of the shelf A as the rod swings toward the board holding the shelf. The horizontal portion of each staple is positioned a distance below the under face of the shelf equal to the width of the narrow portion E', intermediate the elongated slot in the rod and the adjacent parallel face of the rod, whereby when it is desired to adjust the rods in horizontal positions the upper face of the rod or finger when in a horizontal position will slide underneath and contact with the under face of the shelf. As the rod is pushed back underneath the shelf the upper edge of the slot will slide upon the horizontal portion of the staple, and the outer end of the slot coming in contact with the staple will limit its inner throw and the rod will be fulcrumed upon the staple with its inner end resting against the under edge of the shelf, thus forming a means of sustaining a considerable weight upon the free end of the rod or finger.

I am aware of its being common in the art to construct clothes-hangers in which rods or fingers are pivotally mounted and adapted to be thrown into horizontal positions to support clothes, and I make no claim for such construction.

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

A clothes-rack comprising a bracket-shelf, a series of staples having their bracket-engaging ends horizontally disposed and the outer portions bent in vertical planes, rods having elongated slots therein adjacent to the outer faces of said rods, and each designed to receive a staple, the outer face of each rod designed to engage the under surface of said shelf to hold the rod horizontal, as shown and described.

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

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