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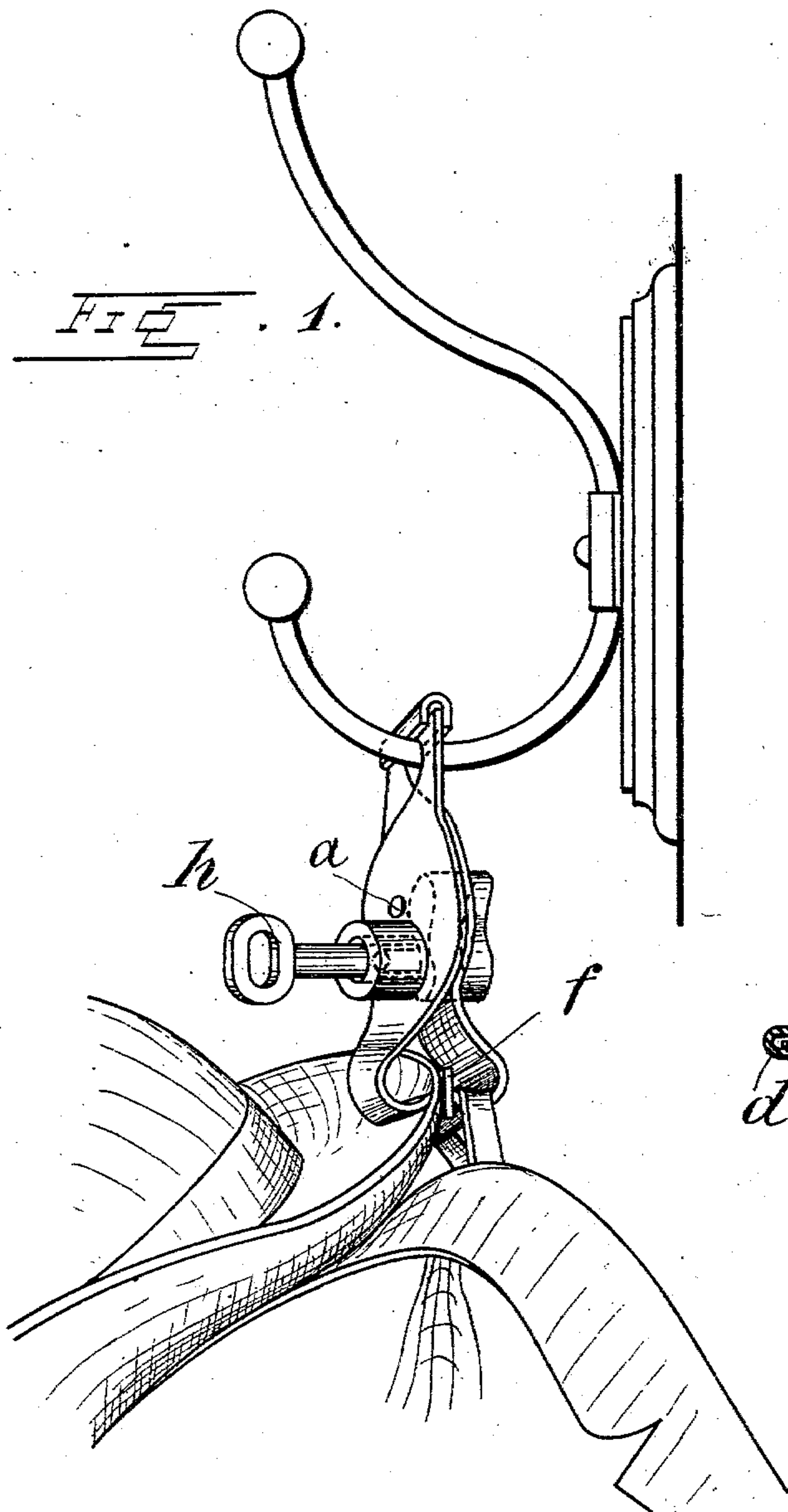


FIG. 2

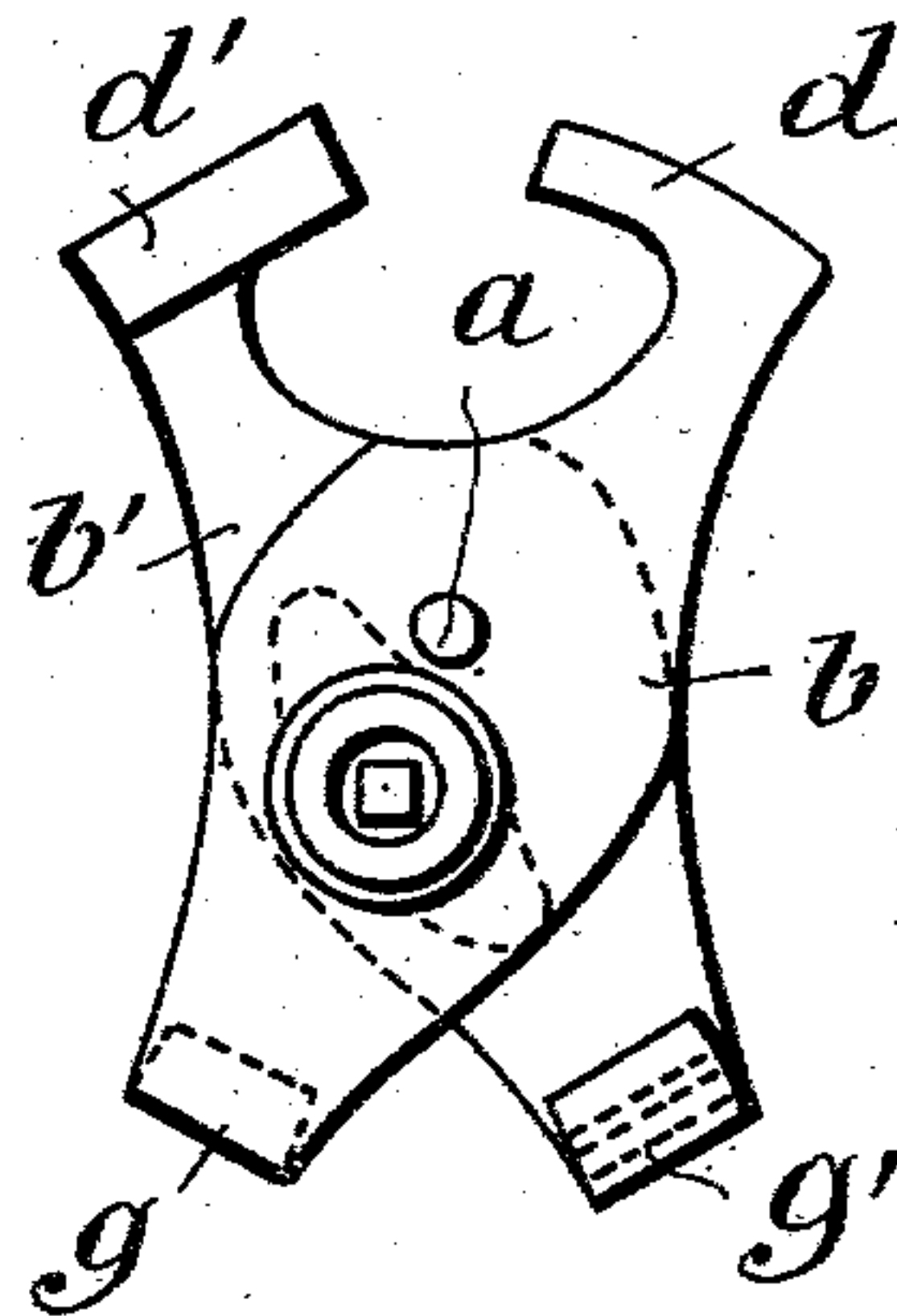
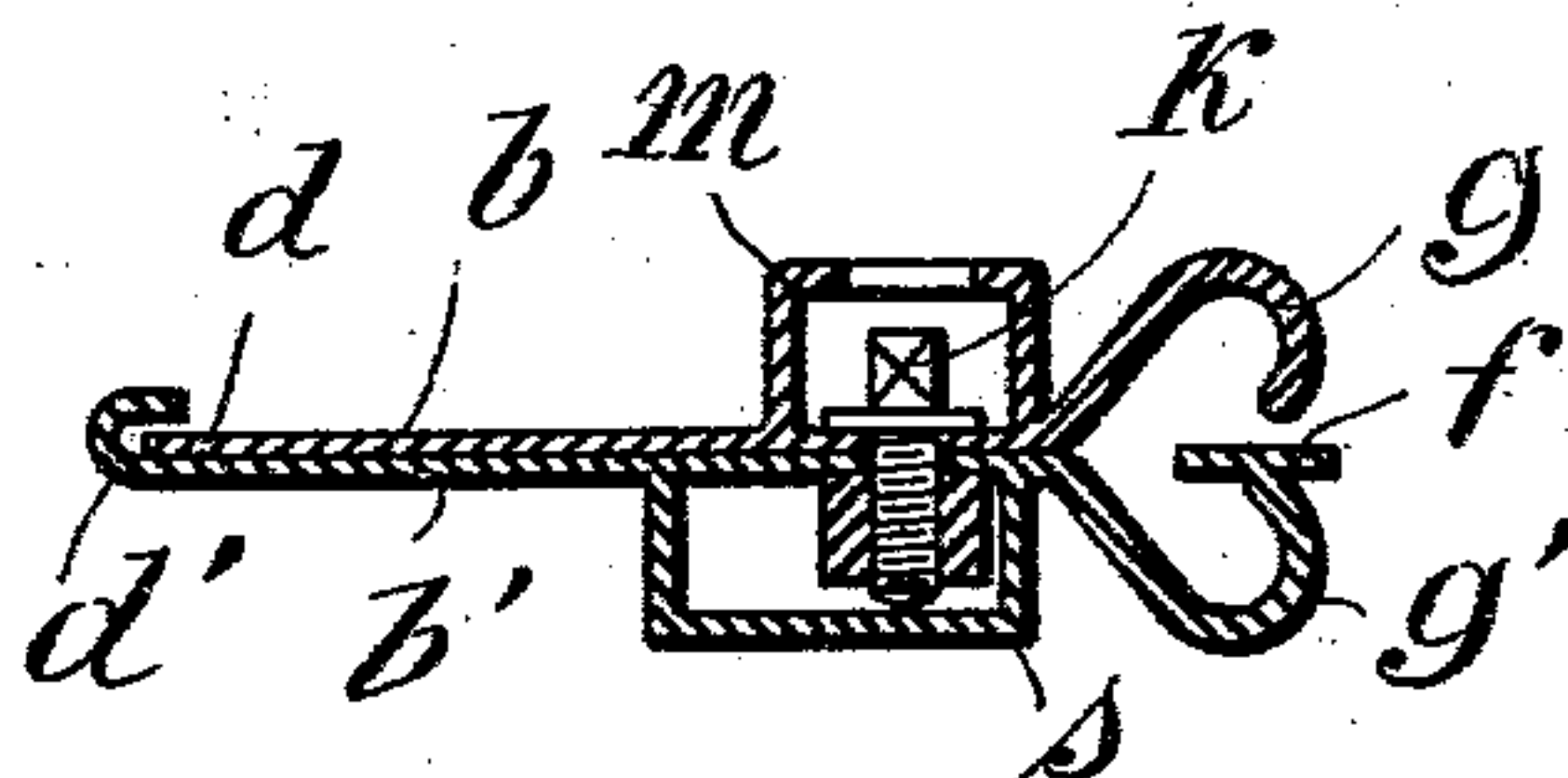


FIG. 3



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## SAFETY-HOOK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, RUDOLF BRUNO WITTE, a subject of the King of Saxony, residing at Leipzig-Stötteritz, Saxony, Germany, have  
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Safety-Hooks, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The present invention relates to safety-hooks for the suspension of hats and garments, the object being to prevent their detachment from the peg by unauthorized persons.  
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The invention consists of the details of construction hereinafter set forth, and particularly pointed out in the claims.  
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In order to render the present invention easily intelligible, reference is had to the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters of reference denote similar parts throughout the several views.  
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Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device, showing the suspension of the hat and garment. Fig. 2 is a front view of the hook in an open condition, and Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section through the center of the hook.  
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The device consists of the arms  $bb'$ , pivoted together after the manner of scissors at  $a$  and having upper hooks  $d d'$  and lower hooks  $g g'$ . The upper hooks  $d d'$  are so formed that the hook  $d'$  grasps over the hook  $d$ , Fig. 3, while the lower hooks  $g g'$  are turned inwardly toward each other, one being adapted to receive the suspension-band of the coat and  
30 having a flat outer surface, as at  $f$ , against which the bent round edge of the rim of the hat may be clamped by the other hook,  $g$ , so that the hat cannot be taken from the hook, but will not be damaged by the clamping action of the two hooks owing to the flat sur-  
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face  $f$  against which it is pressed. When the coat has been suspended and the hat-rim clamped in position, the two arms are locked in the closed position by means of a screw  $k$ , threaded into the plate  $b'$  and working in a slot in the plate  $b$ . The rear end of the screw is covered by a cap  $s$ , and the front end is squared or of other form to receive a key  $h$ , Fig. 1, and is also surrounded by a suitable cap  $m$ , having an opening in the top just large enough to receive the key. When the device has been locked in position, the key is withdrawn.  
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I claim as my invention—

1. A safety-hook for the suspension of clothes and hats in public wardrobes and the like consisting of the plates  $bb'$  pivotally connected together and having upper and lower hooks  $d d'$  and  $g g'$  to interlock, the upper hooks embracing the peg and the lower hooks being formed to receive the coat-hanger and to clamp the rim of the hat substantially as described.  
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2. A safety-hook for the suspension of garments and hats as specified consisting of the plates  $bb'$  pivotally connected together and having upper and lower interlocking hooks  $d d'$  and  $g g'$ , the hook  $d'$  overgripping the hook  $d$  and the hook  $g'$  having a plate  $f$  with which the hook  $g$  cooperates to clamp the rim of the hat, and a clamping-screw  $k$ , adapted to be turned by a key to clamp the parts in the closed position substantially as described.  
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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two witnesses.  
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