

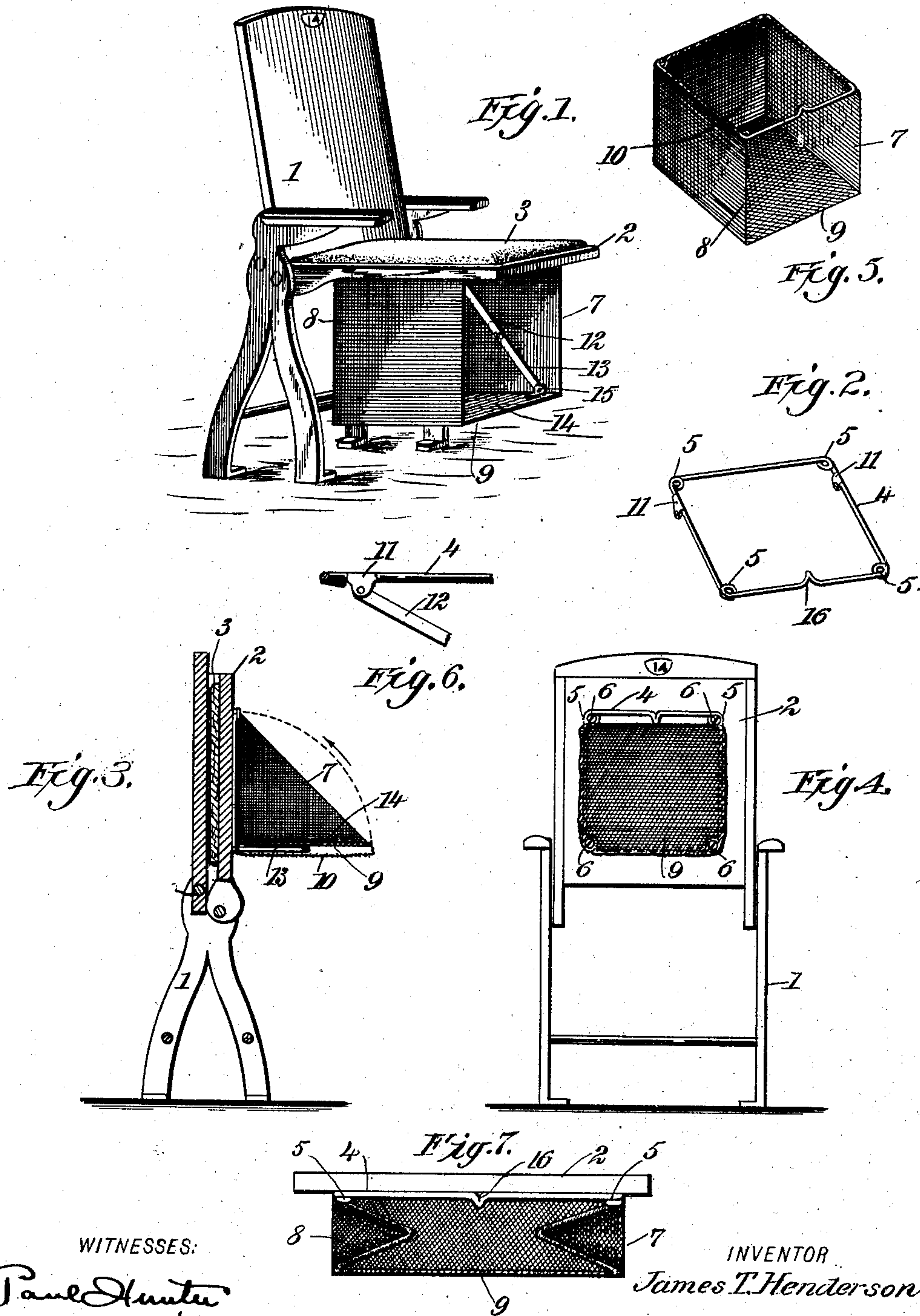
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES THOMPSON HENDERSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Hat-Receptacle for Auditoriums, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to hat-receptacles to be connected with seats and used in auditoriums, theaters, &c.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my invention in use, the hat-receptacle being open and in its normal position for holding a hat.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the wire frame whereby the receptacle is connected to a seat.

Fig. 3 is a central vertical section through the hat-receptacle and seat. Fig. 4 is a front elevation showing the hat-receptacle and seat as folded.

Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the hat-receptacle removed from the seat. Fig. 6 is a fragmentary elevation showing the metallic brace member for the frame, hereinafter more fully described; and Fig. 7 is a plan

view of the device partially folded up.

A chair 1 is provided with a folding seat 2, which may have a cushion 3, these parts being of the usual construction. A rectangular frame 4, made, preferably, of spring-wire, is provided at its several corners with loops 5,

through which screws 6 may be passed in order to hold the frame 4 against the under side of the seat, as indicated in Fig. 4. Connected with side webs 7 8 is a rigid bottom 9, which

is also connected with a back web 10, as indicated more particularly in Fig. 5. Mounted upon the frame 4 are bearings 11, to which are connected the rigid metallic members 12 13, these members being flexibly joined together, as indicated more particularly in Fig.

1. A bottom web 14 is connected with the rigid bottom board 9, so as to form a firm and level support for the hat. The metallic members 13 are secured, by means of journals 15,

to the bottom 9, as indicated more particularly in Fig. 1.

When in use, the receptacle occupies the position shown best in Fig. 1, and the hat may be readily placed therein. When the device is not desired for use, the seat 2 is turned up in the position indicated in Fig. 3, and the bottom, consisting of the rigid board 9 and web 14, is folded upwardly and toward the seat, so as to occupy the position indicated in Fig. 4. By this means the bottom member, consisting of the board 9 and the web 14, is placed parallel to and face to face with the back web 10. By this movement the side webs 7 8 are each folded into the position indicated in Fig. 7, so that these webs each assume a triangular form, being virtually reduced to one-half of their original size. The bottom member, consisting of the rigid board 9 and web 14, is next bent upward, carrying with it the back web 10 and bending the members 7 8 inwardly, as indicated in Fig. 7, whereby the members 14, 9, and 10 are all rendered parallel with the seat 2. The hat-receptacle now hugs closely to the under side of the seat and takes up comparatively little room.

By means of a projection 16, extending inwardly, as indicated in Fig. 2, and forming a catch, the front end of the frame 4 engages one of the edges of the rigid member 9, carrying with it the members 10 and 14, as above stated. By this means the hat-receptacle is held firmly in its folded position, as indicated in Fig. 4.

The metallic members 12 13 may be dispensed with, if desired. The action of the webs is substantially the same as above described, the only difference being that owing to the absence of the metallic brace members 12 13 the bottom of the receptacle is not rigid relatively to the webs 7, 8, and 10 and merely hangs loosely from the seat.

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

1. The combination with a seat, of flexible webs secured to the under side of the seat, and depending therefrom, and a rigid bottom to three sides of which the webs are secured, the

bottom being adapted to be folded up against the rear web and then up against the under side of the seat with the side webs folded inward between the under side of the bottom and the seat.

2. In a hat-receptacle, the combination of a seat, a rectangular member of wire provided at its corners with loops serving as screw-holes and also provided with a projection intermediate of two of said loops, said projection being made by a bend in the wire and forming a catch, a plurality of webs connected with said wire and free to fold against the same, and a bottom member connected with said webs and free to be engaged by said catch.

3. In a hat-receptacle, the combination of a seat, a rectangular member of wire connected therewith and provided with a projection, said projection being made by a bend in said wire and integral therewith, a plurality of webs connected with said member of wire, a bottom member connected with said webs and supported thereby, said bottom member being free to fold, first, against one of said webs, and second, against said seat, said projection being free to engage said bottom member so as to maintain the same in folded position.

4. A receptacle for hats adapted to be secured to the under side of a seat, comprising a frame having openings to receive fastening means and provided with a catch, a rigid bottom, and sides and back of flexible material

secured to the bottom and frame, the bottom being adapted to fold up against the back and then up against the frame with the flexible sides folded inward upon the under side of the bottom.

5. A receptacle for hats, comprising a wire frame having eyes at its corners and an integral catch on one member at about the center of length thereof, a rigid bottom, and sides and back of flexible material secured to the frame and bottom, the bottom being adapted to fold up against the back and then up against the frame with the flexible sides folded inward upon the under side of the bottom.

6. In a hat-receptacle, the combination of a box-like member to be connected with a seat-bottom, said member consisting of back and side webs of flexible material, a bottom member connected with said side webs and free to fold into a position substantially parallel to said back web so as to engage the same face to face, said back web and said bottom member thus folded being together free to fold against the bottom of said seat, and a locking device for securing said bottom member in a position substantially parallel to said seat.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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