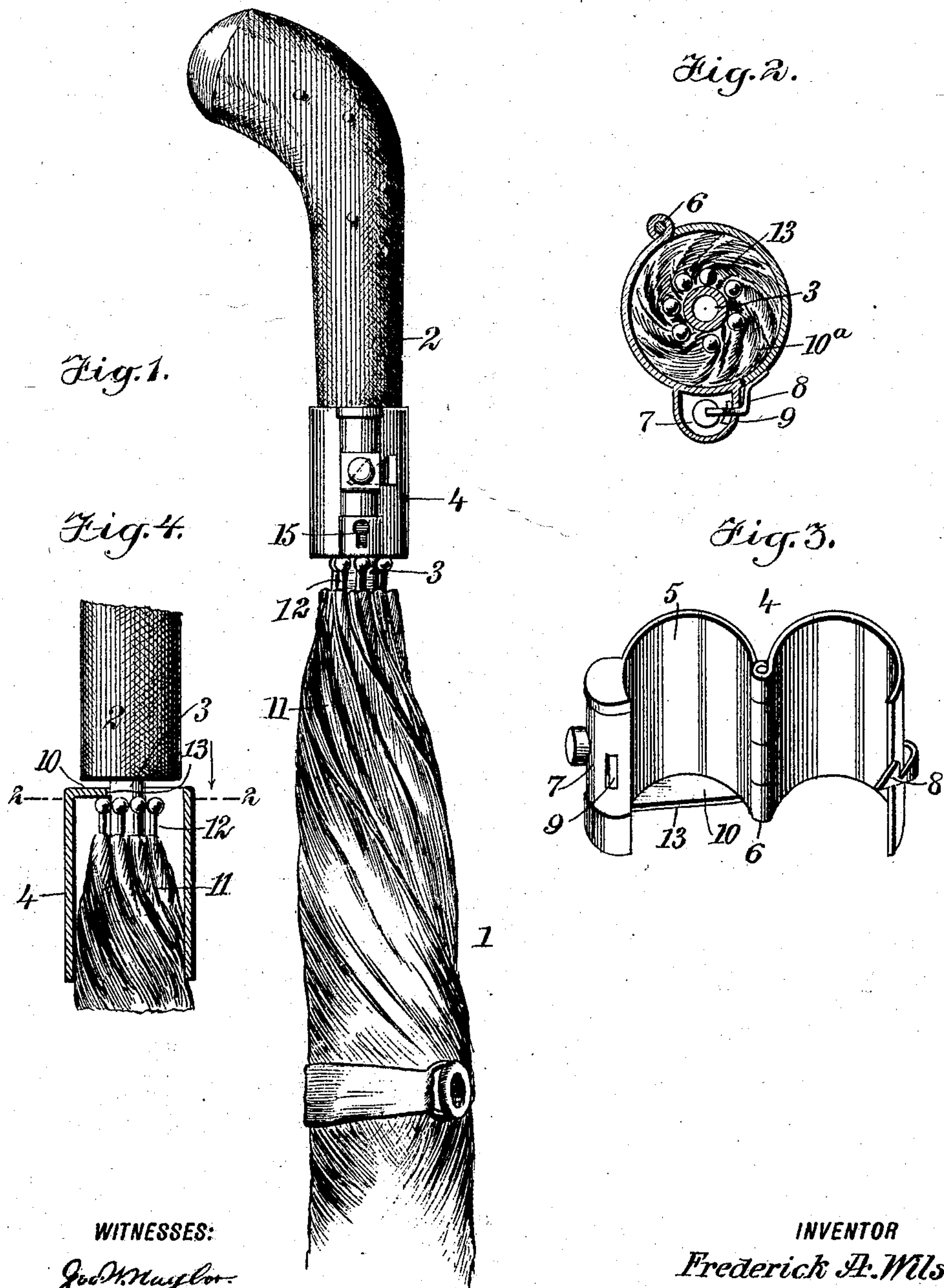


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FREDERICK AUGUSTUS WILSON, 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 Umbrella-Lock, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to umbrella-locks; and its object is to provide a simple device intended to prevent the taking of umbrellas, accidentally or otherwise, from umbrella-stands, hat-racks, and similar places.

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 side elevation of the upper portion of an umbrella, showing how my device is applied. Fig. 2 is a cross-section taken substantially upon the line 2 2 of Fig. 4. Fig. 3 is a perspective representing the device in an open or unlocked position; and Fig. 4 is a vertical section through the device, showing the same applied, the adjacent portions of the umbrella being represented as broken away.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 represents an umbrella of any common form provided with a handle 2, the said umbrella comprising the usual stick or rod 3. This rod is now usually constructed of steel and may be tubular, as shown in Fig. 2.

The construction of my device is shown most clearly in Fig. 3. It consists of a sleeve or barrel 4, formed in a pair of oppositely-disposed sections 5, preferably connected by a hinge connection 6, as indicated. Opposite this hinge connection a lock 7 is provided, which coöperates with a catch 8 in such a manner as to enable the sections to be locked together, as indicated in Fig. 2. For this purpose the lock 7 is provided with an opening 9 through its casing, which enables the catch to pass in. At one extremity one of the sections 5 is provided with a lip or flange 10, which projects inwardly, substantially as shown. The device is applied as a lock to an umbrella in the manner indicated in Fig. 4. The sleeve or barrel 4 is snapped over the upper extremity of the cover 11 of the um-

brella, so as to surround this portion of the umbrella. The lip or flange 10 then lies between the lower extremity of the handle 2 and the heads of the ribs 12. The width of the lip is preferably such that the inner edge 13 of the lip 10 lies adjacent to the side of the rod 3, as shown in Fig. 4. When the lock has been applied in this manner, the lip 10 will evidently effectually prevent the removal of the lock.

When it is not desired to lock the umbrella against opening, the device is applied in an inverted position, as indicated in Fig. 1, so that the body of the sleeve 4 envelops the lower extremity of the handle. If the umbrella should be opened and raised, the sleeve would then evidently rest upon the inner extremity of the handle, as will be readily understood.

As umbrellas are usually taken from umbrella-stands and similar places when it is raining and as they are usually taken not for their intrinsic value, but simply on account of the immediate protection which they offer from the rain, it follows that when it is discovered that an umbrella cannot be raised and will be of no use the person taking the same will return it to the stand.

In connection with the lock 7 is a keyhole 15, which is provided to enable the lock to be opened only by means of a key, which key will of course be carried by the owner of the umbrella.

The device described is evidently of very simple construction and admirably adapted to fulfil the purposes of the invention.

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

A device of the class described, consisting of a sleeve comprising a pair of hinged sections, said sleeve having a lip adapted to lie adjacent to the handle of an umbrella, and means for locking said sections together.

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

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