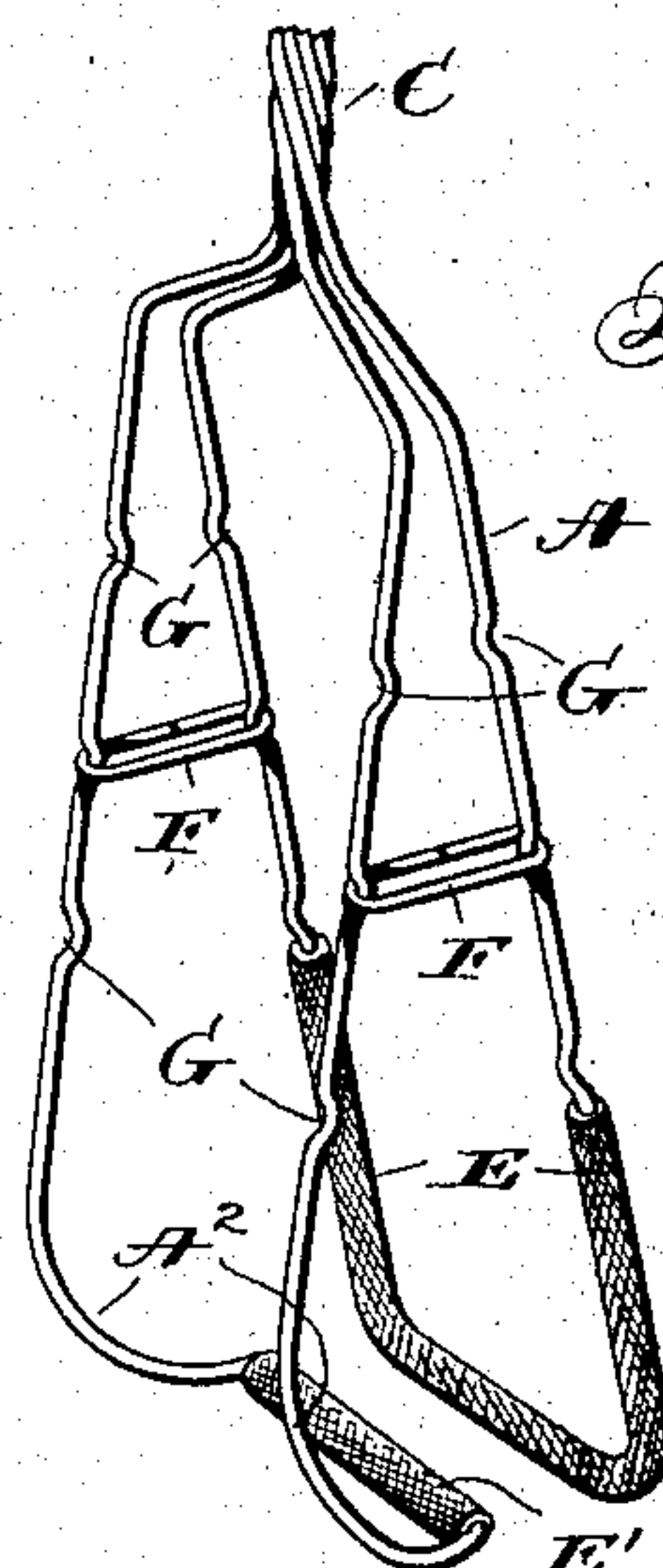
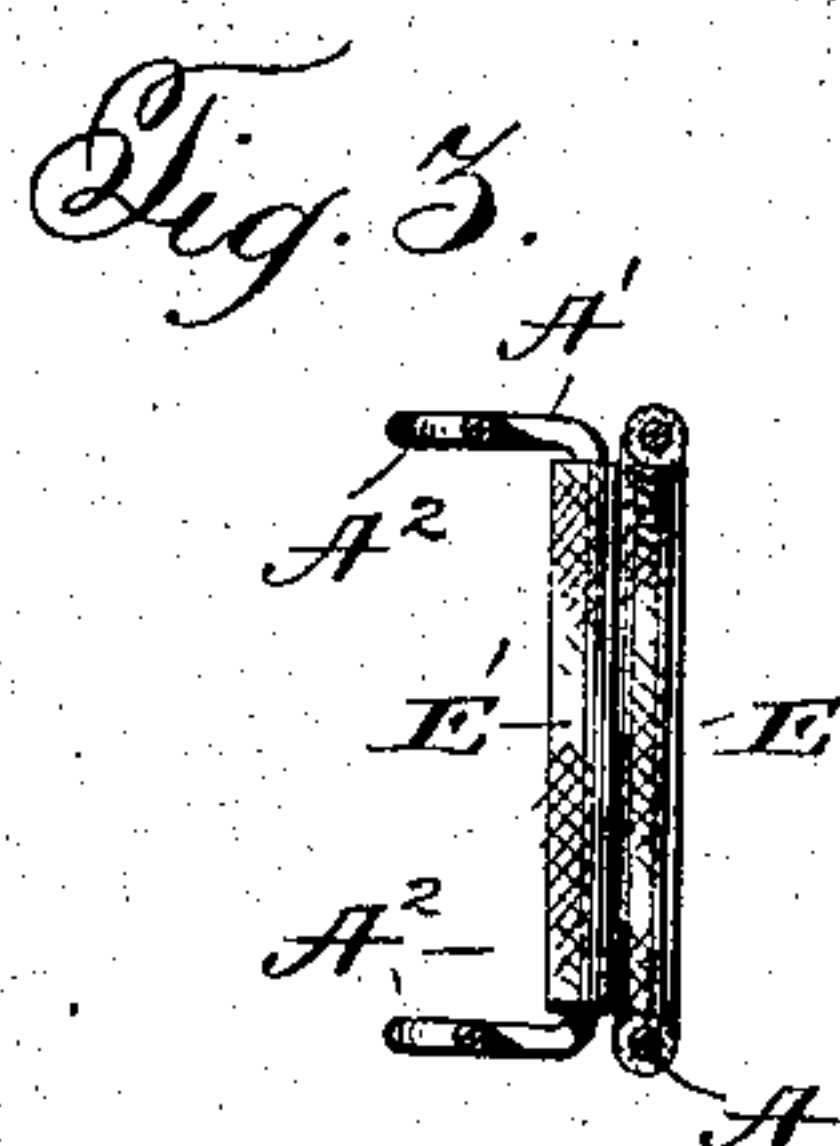
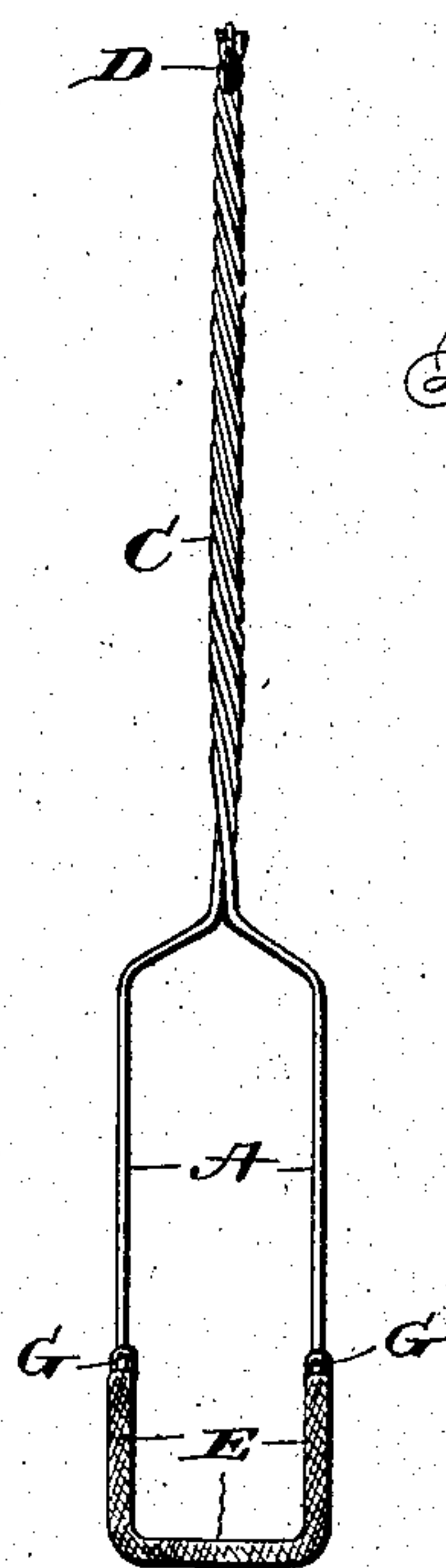
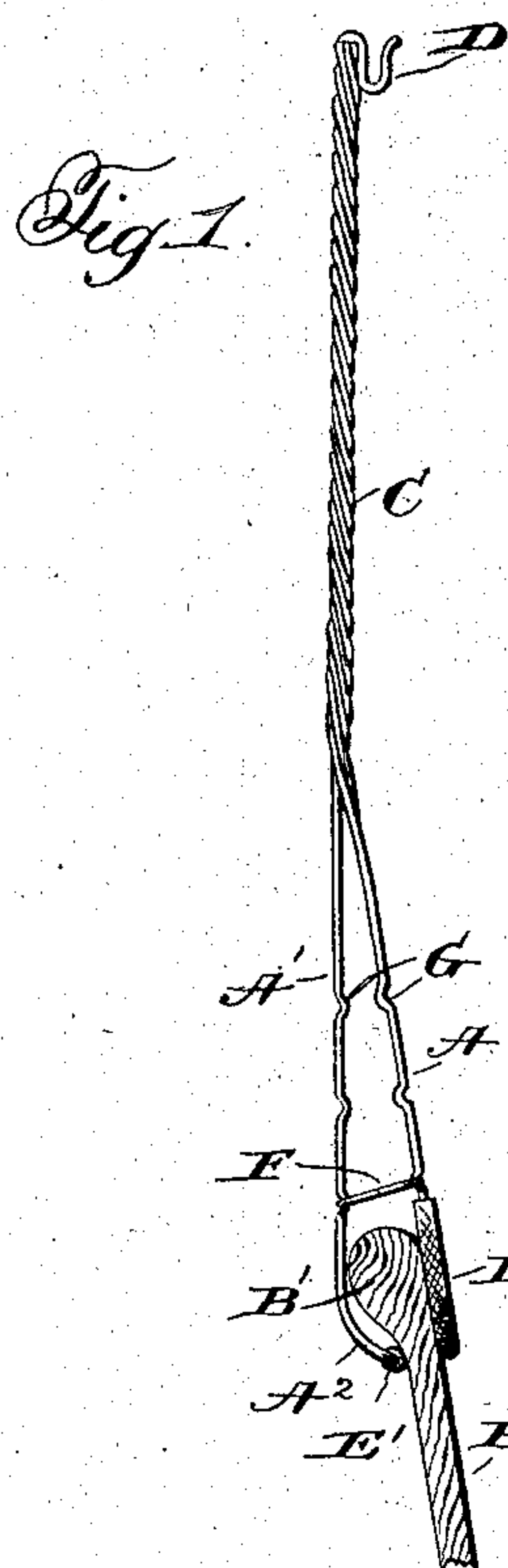


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LUEMA G. JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Portland, in the county of Multnomah and State of Oregon, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Banners and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to holders for banners or bannerets and the like, and though susceptible of a variety of uses is especially adapted for use as an attachment to church-pews, chair-backs, or other similar supports, and has for its primary object the provision of a simple and efficient device for the purpose described which may be readily attached and removed at will.

The particular arrangement of parts and the details of construction will be more particularly pointed out in the description following, which should be read in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof, and wherein a preferable embodiment of the invention is disclosed for the purpose of the illustration.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side view of my holder applied to a pew or chair back. Fig. 2 is a front view of the holder detached with a portion of the stem broken away, and Figs. 3 and 4 are detail views.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, wherein like reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, A and A' designate oppositely-disposed substantially U-shaped jaws, arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support B to retain the holder in upright position thereon. The jaws are formed of bendable metal, preferably wire, and the respective arms thereof are inwardly bent at their upper ends and intertwined with one another to form a spring connection therebetween and an elongated upright stem C, one of the wires extending beyond the stem portion proper and being offset to form a hook-shaped member D, upon which may be suitably supported the banner, banneret, or other suitable article. The jaw A is preferably flat throughout, and the cooperating jaw A' is preferably inwardly curved at A<sup>2</sup> adjacent its lower end, whereby the same will engage over and under the usual roll B' of a pew-back or the like. To prevent marring or scratching the support, I provide suitable cushions E E' upon the respective jaws, preferably formed of rubber or other yieldable

material. In order to lock the holder in its adjusted position upon the support, I preferably provide retaining-rings F, slidably mounted upon each adjacent arm of the respective jaws and arranged to engage complementary ribbed or notched portions G, conveniently formed by slightly bending the arms at spaced distances.

The stem C is preferably bent forwardly at its connection with the jaws in proportion to the inclination of the chair or pew back to which the same is attached, whereby the article carried thereby will assume an upright position.

The operation is obvious. The respective jaws being resiliently connected, the same are spread apart and engage opposite surfaces of the support, and the retaining-rings are slid along the arms into engagement with a pair of complementary engaging portions on the arms, whereby the same are locked from separation.

Having thus described my invention, what I desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

1. In a holder of the character described, a stem, article-holding means carried thereby, and oppositely-disposed movable jaws at the lower end of said stem arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames having engaging portions on the respective arms thereof, and means carried by the frames arranged to cooperate with complementary engaging portions on the respective frames to hold the same in closed position.

2. In a holder of the character described, a stem, article-holding means carried thereby, and oppositely-movable jaws at the lower end of said stem arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames, the respective arms of which have spaced recessed portions, and means carried by the frames and arranged to cooperate with complementary recessed portions on the respective arms to hold the jaws in closed position.

3. In a holder of the character described, a stem, article-holding means carried thereby and oppositely-disposed movable jaws at the lower end of said stem arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, said jaws comprising wire frames of substantially U-shaped formation, the respective arms of which being bent to form spaced recessed portions, and rings carried by the frames and arranged to engage complementary recessed



portions on the respective arms to hold the jaws in closed position.

4. In a holder of the character described, oppositely-disposed movable jaws arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, the said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames of bendable material, the respective arms of which are inwardly bent at their upper ends and intertwined to form a resilient connection and a stem portion, and article-holding means on said stem portion.

5. In a holder of the character described, oppositely-disposed movable jaws arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, the said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames of bendable material, the respective arms of which are intertwined to form a resilient connection, and a stem portion.

6. In a holder of the character described oppositely-disposed movable jaws arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support,

said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames of bendable material, the respective arms of which are intertwined to form a resilient connection and an elongated stem portion, one of said arms being offset to constitute a hook-support.

7. In a holder of the character described, oppositely-disposed, movable jaws arranged to engage opposite surfaces of a suitable support, the said jaws comprising substantially U-shaped frames of bendable material, the respective arms of which are intertwined to form a resilient connection and a stem portion, and means carried by the frame to hold the jaws in closed position.

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

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