

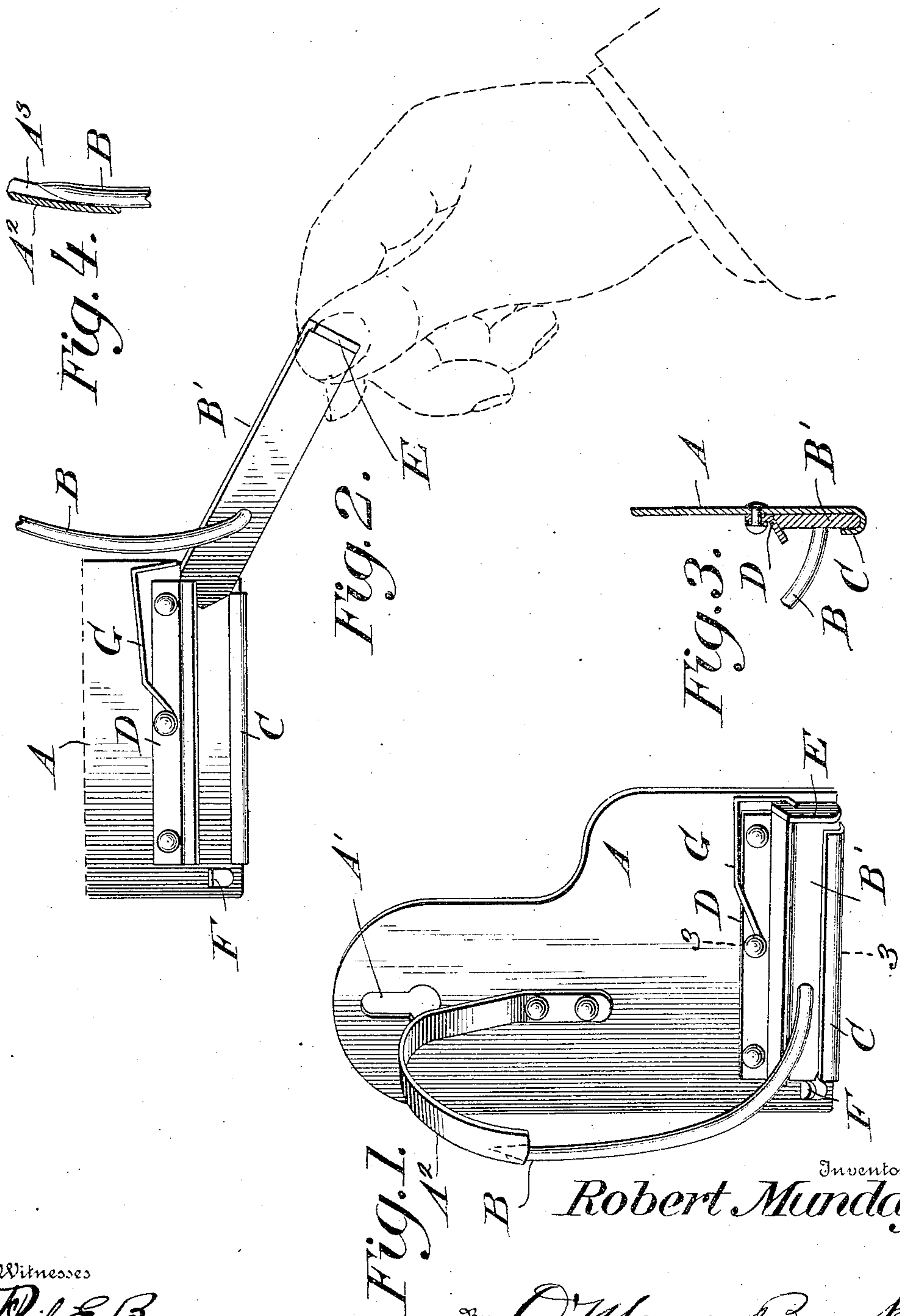
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT MUNDAY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fulton, in the county of Hempstead and State of Arkansas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in a Locking-Hanger for Paper Bags, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to hangers for paper bags and has for its object a paper bag holder which will securely hold a large number of the bags and which can be easily and conveniently unlocked for the purpose of placing a new supply of bags in position at any time.

The invention consists of the novel features of construction, hereinafter fully described, pointed out in the claims and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the lower portion of the device and illustrating the manner of removing a prong carrying slide. Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the upper end portion of the prong, and the lower end portion of the keeper, the latter being shown in section.

In these drawings A represents a base plate slotted as shown at A' to engage a nail or other means of support, and this plate carries a curved keeper A<sup>2</sup>, which as shown in Fig. 4, is flanged upon one side as shown at A<sup>3</sup>, said flange being formed only upon the free end portion of the keeper where it is engaged by a curved upwardly extending prong B.

The prong B is carried by a slidable block B', which block slides in guide-ways formed by bending outwardly and upwardly a portion of the lower edge of the base plate A as shown at C, and by an angled plate D which is riveted or otherwise secured to the base A above and parallel to the upturned edge C. The block B' is provided at one end with a flange E by which it can be readily grasped between the thumb and forefinger when it is desired to remove the block. The base A is provided with a tongue F, formed by punching out a portion of the plate, and the said tongue projects outwardly at one end of the guide-way in which the block B' slides and serves as a stop for the said block.

The block having been inserted in position is locked against withdrawal in one direction by the tongue F, and is locked against accidental displacement by movement in the opposite direction by means of an angled spring lock G one end of which is secured upon the angled plate D and the free end extends downwardly into engagement with the end of the block B' carrying the flange E. The spring G therefore, serves to hold the block in position unless positive force is applied to remove it. By means of this construction the spring G can be readily disengaged from the block B' and the block quickly removed from the guide-way in which it normally rests and a new set of bags placed upon the prong B. The block can then be inserted and locked in the guide-way in which position the free pointed end of the prong, will be engaged by the free end portion of the keeper A<sup>2</sup>.

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

1. A paper bag holder comprising a base plate, a keeper, a horizontal guide-way formed on the base plate, a block sliding in said guide-way, a prong carried by the block, and in engagement with the keeper when the block is in its normal position, and a spring locking said block normally in the guide-way.

2. A paper bag holder of the kind described comprising a curved keeper, a horizontal guide-way, a block sliding in the guide-way, an upwardly and curved prong adapted to engage the free end of the keeper, a flange on one end of the block, and a spring normally engaging a flanged end of the block and holding it in the guide-way.

3. A device of the kind described comprising a base plate having its lower edge curved outwardly and upwardly, an angled plate arranged upon said base parallel to the upturned edge, a block sliding in the guide-way formed by said up-turned edge and the said angled plate, a spring adapted to lock the block in the guide-way, at one end of the same, a stop engaged by the block at the other end of said guide-way, a prong carried by the block and a keeper carried by the base plate in position to be engaged by the prong when the block is in the guide-way.

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