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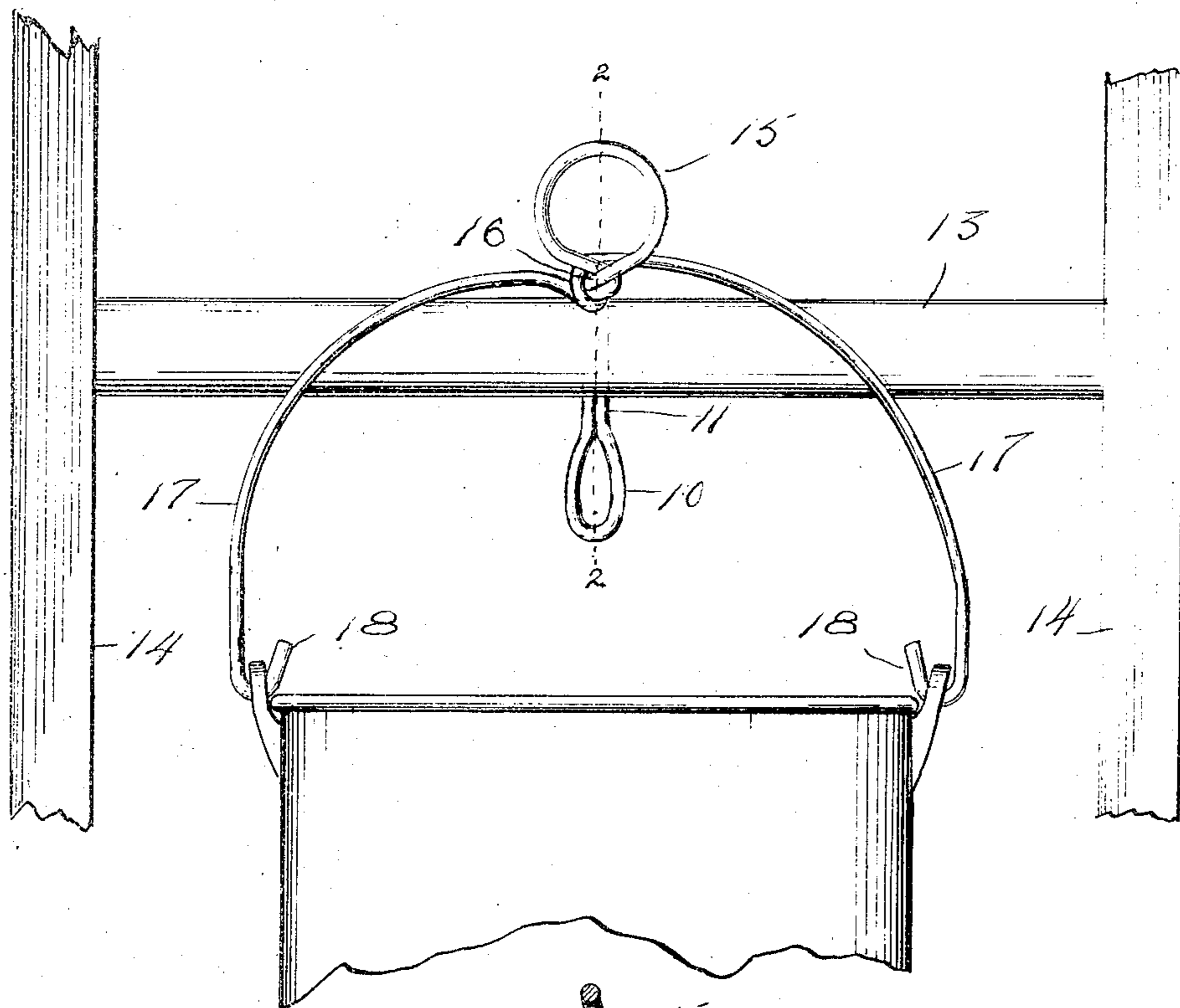


Fig. I.

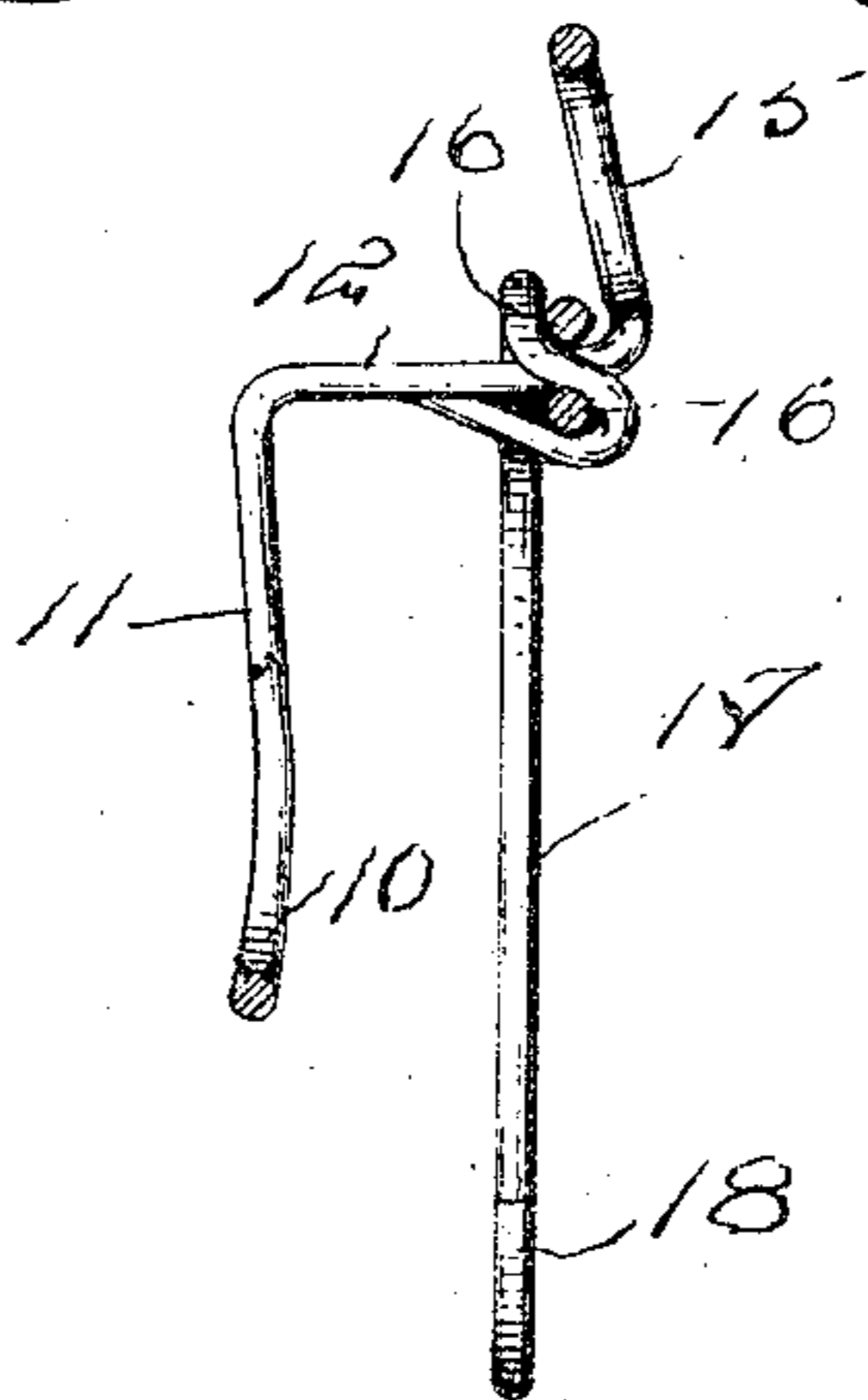


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PAUL RICHARDSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bryan, in the county of Williams, State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Supporting Paint-Pails; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to contrivances for supporting tin paint-pails from the rounds of a ladder while the painter is at work upon the ladder and using paint from the pail supported as stated.

It is the purpose of the invention to provide an exceedingly simple and efficient means for supporting a paint pail, and to so construct it at the same time that the supporting means with the pail can be taken from the round of the ladder and transferred to another or carried away by the employment of one hand.

The nature of the invention may be ascertained from the device portrayed in the annexed drawing, forming a part of this specification, in view of which the said invention will first be described with respect to its construction and mode of use, and then be pointed out in the subjoined claims.

Of the said drawings:—Figure 1 is a front view of the invention applied to a ladder. Fig. 2 is a section on line 2—2 of Fig. 1 with the ladder omitted.

Similar numerals of reference designate similar parts or features, as the case may be wherever they occur.

In the drawings 10 designates a hook formed from the central portion of a length of wire doubled upon itself, and bent backward at its base, as at 11, forming a shank 12 adapted to rest upon the round 13 of a ladder 14 over which the hook may be placed.

15 designates a handle in the form of a ring which is made by turning up the portions of

the wire adjacent to the shank 12 into ring form and then making one or more turns of the wire around the shank, as at 16, so that the ring or other form given to the handle 15 may remain permanent and not spread at its bottom.

The end portions of the wire after the formation of the handle are bent outward and downward constituting a bail 17; turning the extremities of the bail, into the form of hooks 18 to engage or hook into the sides or ears of a paint pail, and support it in upright position while the painter is engaged in working therefrom.

In case it is desired to transfer the paint pail and its support from one round of the ladder to another, or to carry the pail away, the user may merely take hold of the handle 15, by one hand, and lift the hook, supporting bail and paint-pot attached to the latter from the round of the ladder and carry it as he would if the handle hook were a part of a bail in fact of the paint-pot.

The efficiency and simplicity of the device render it an article of manufacture of importance and high merit.

What is claimed is—

As an article of manufacture a paint-pail support composed of a length of wire bent upon itself at its center to form a hook, a portion of which is bent laterally to constitute a shank to the hook, a handle formed from the portions of the wire immediately above the hook, a portion of the wire next to the handle being bent around the shank of the hook, and a bail formed from the end portions of the wire, the terminals of which are bent into the form of hooks to engage the sides of a paint-pail.

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

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