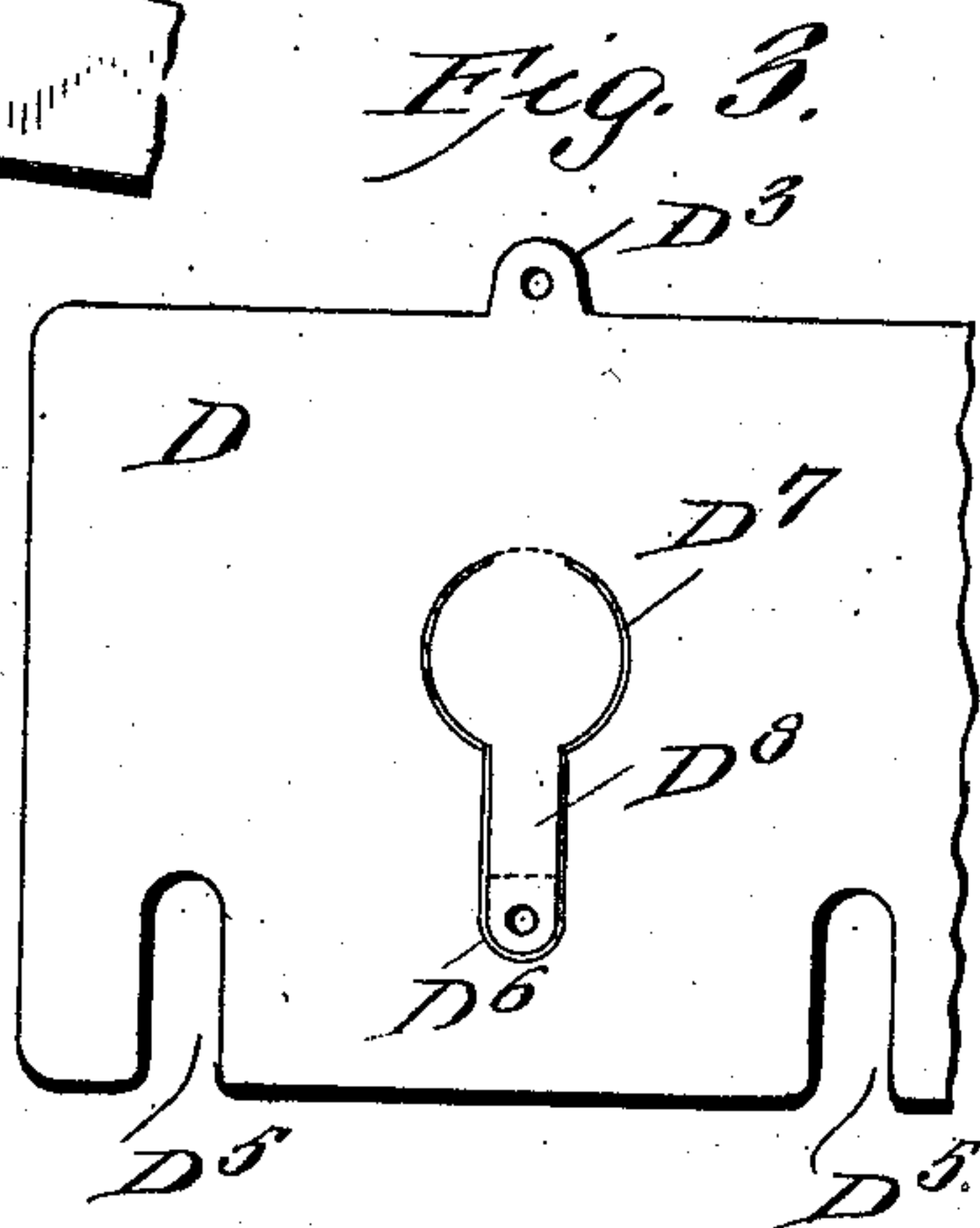
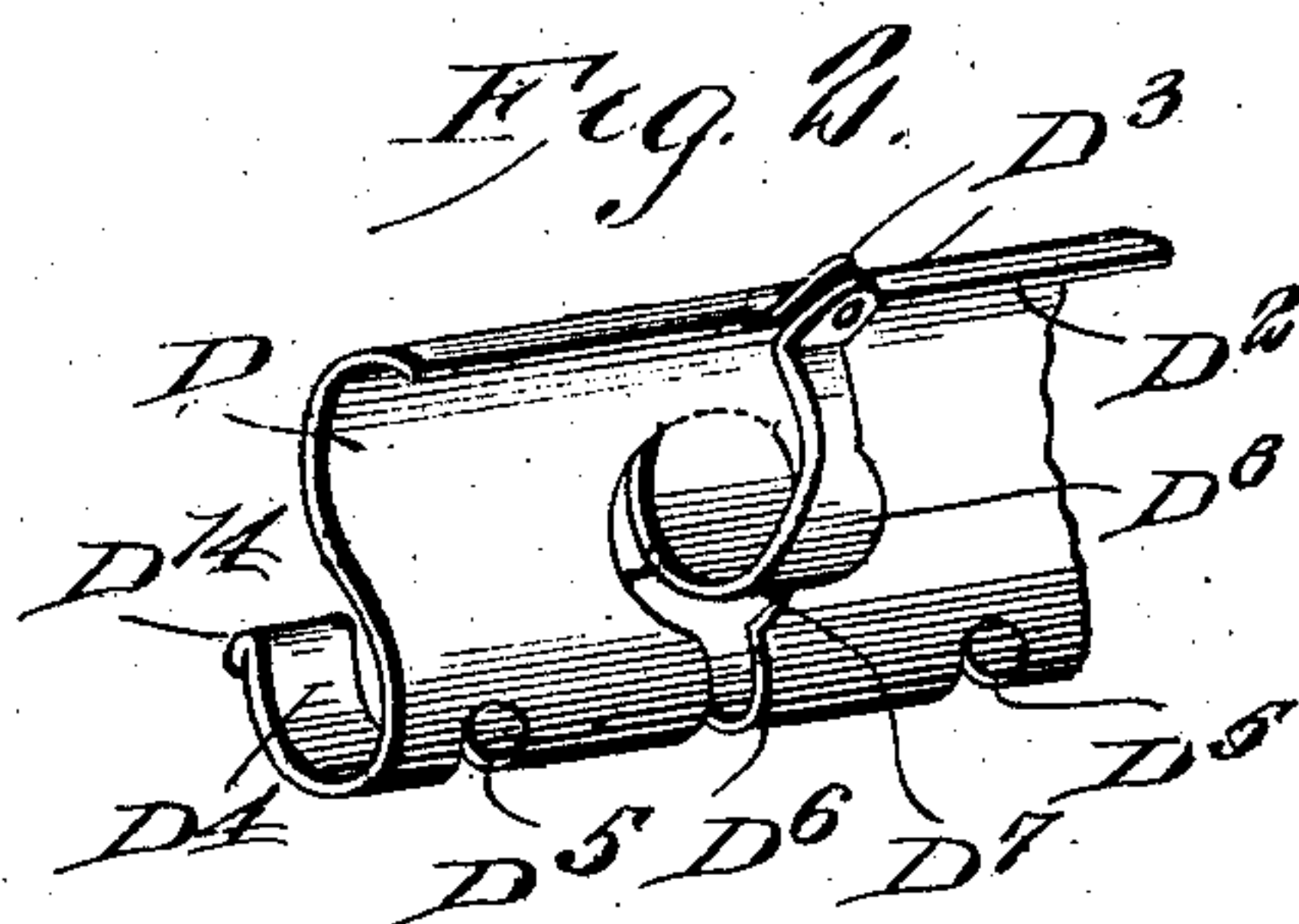
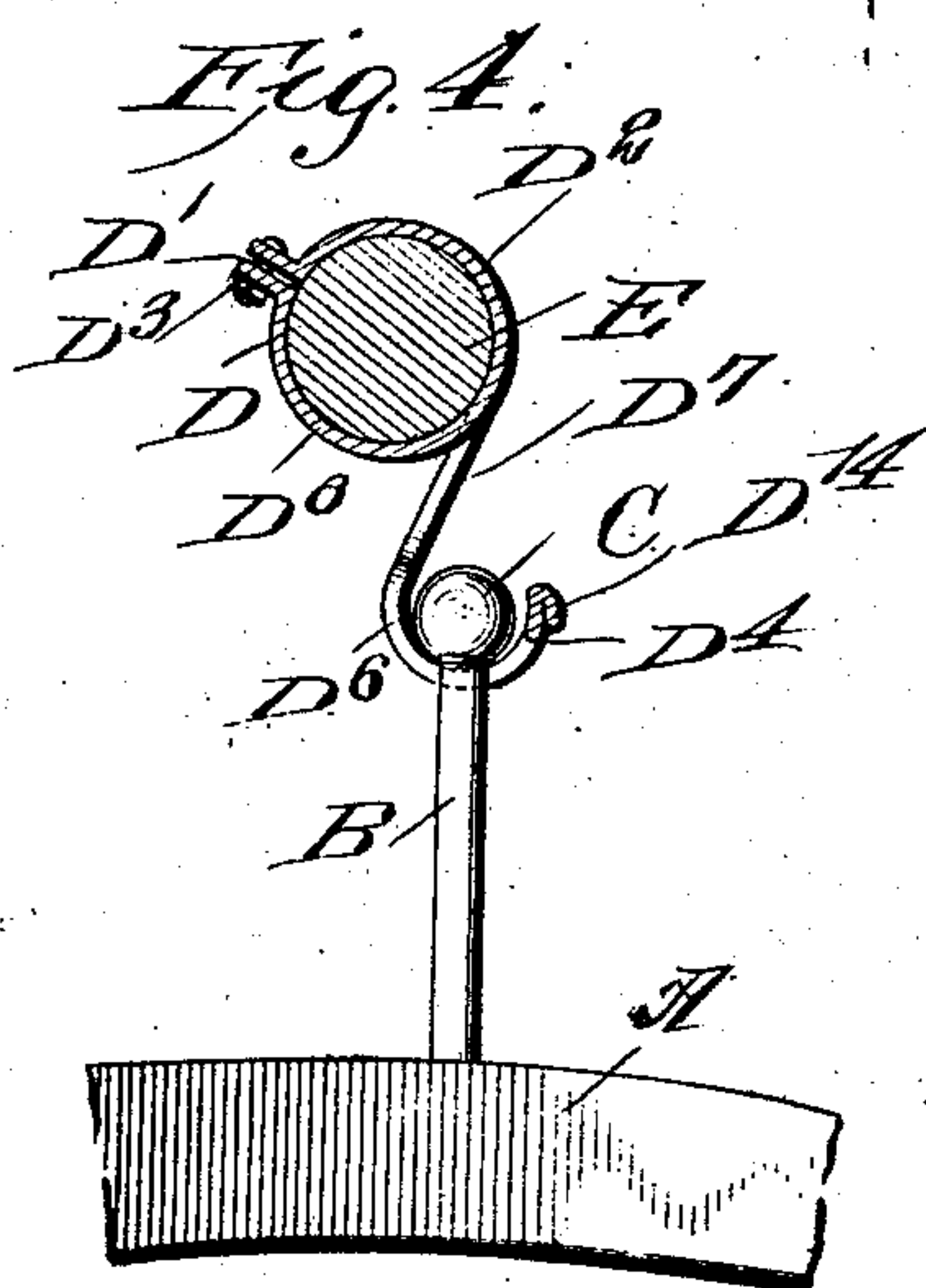
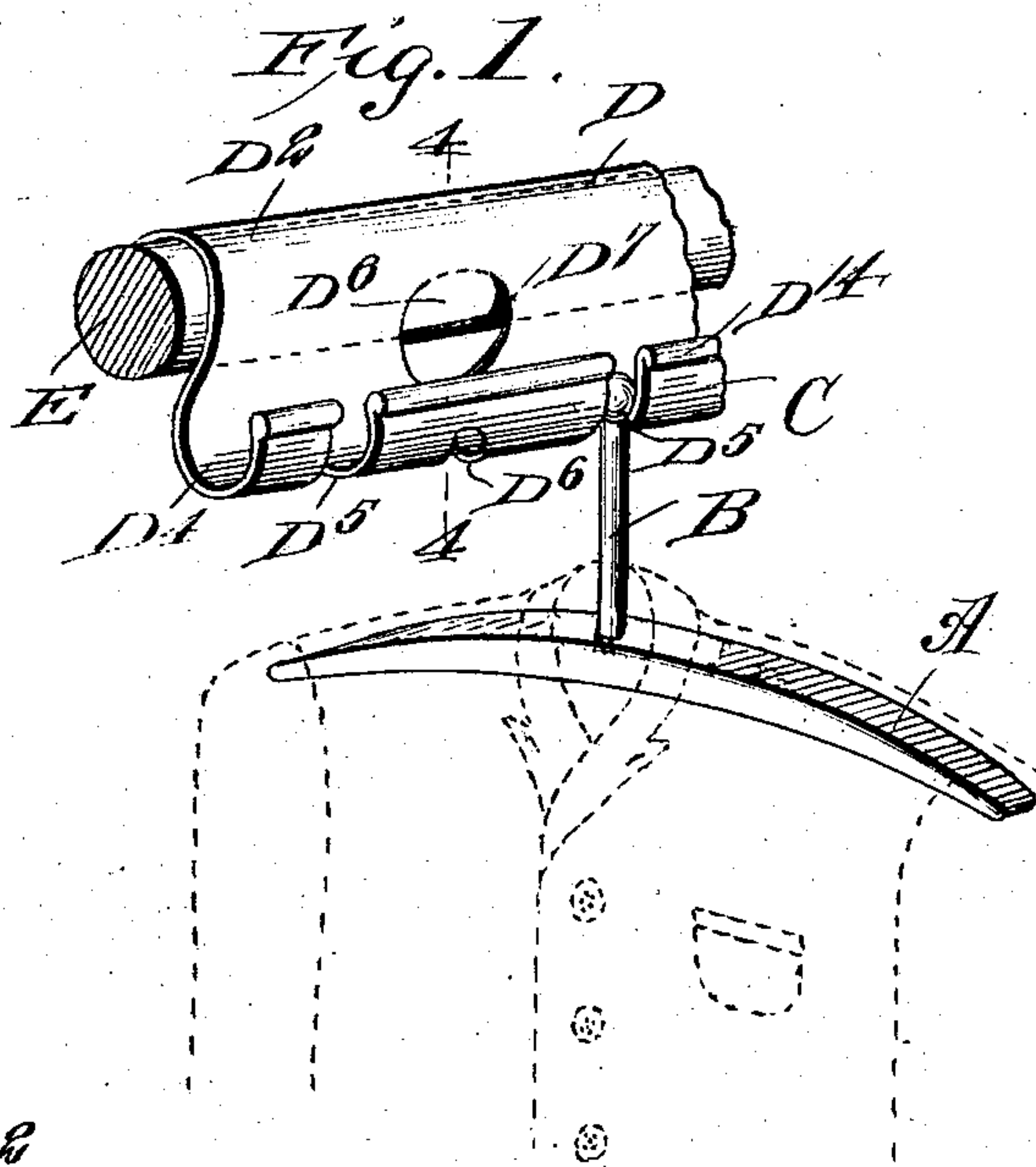


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HAMPTON K. SMITH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Union, in the county of Union and State of South Carolina, have made certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improvement in clothes hangers, and has for an object among others, to provide a simple construction of coat hanger which can be used for hanging up suits, jackets, etc., and which will dispense with the ordinary hooks in connection with the body or main bar of the hanger; and the invention consists in certain novel constructions, and combinations of parts as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hanger embodying my invention as in use. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of a portion of the supporting section for the reception of the hanger. Fig. 3 is a detail plan view of a portion of the blank from which said supporting section is formed. Fig. 4 is a cross section on about line 4—4 of Fig. 1, drawn through the clamping construction for securing the supporting section to a rod.

In practice, it will be found that the ordinary clothes hangers having a bar and hooks for suspending the same, are objectionable for the reason that the hooks will catch in the garment as they are gathered from the table or show case top to be replaced on the rack, and the garments are frequently seriously damaged in this way. By my invention I dispense with the hooks and provide the hanger bar A, which may be of any suitable form or design, with a suspension rod B, having instead of the usual hook, a knob C at its upper end for connection with the supporting section D, the latter being connected with the rack, preferably in the manner presently described. The rack may be provided with a rod E, and the supporting section D, has a clamp D' embracing the rod and secured thereto by screw bolts as best shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings. The knob C is preferably a spherical knob, and it engages with suitable seats in the supporting section D, as more fully described hereinafter.

The supporting section is made from a plate of metal bent at its upper edge at D², to fit the rack rod E, and provided at its

extremity with lugs D³ for the reception of the connecting plate, and the other edge of the plate is upturned forming a hooklike seat D⁴ for the knobs C of the hanger. To this end the upturned edge D⁴ of the plate is provided with a series of slots D⁵ of sufficient size to receive the suspension rod B, and smaller than the knob C so the hook may be applied thereto as shown in Fig. 1, and be suspended by the bearings of the knobs at the base of the slots D⁵. This permits the introduction of the hooks from one side of the supporting section and to permit their introduction from the other side of the supporting section, I provide at intervals slotted openings D⁶, enlarged at their upper ends at D⁷ for the introduction of the knobs C, and extending thence to the base of the hooklike seat D⁴ to receive the hangers when desired. These slotted openings D⁶ may be arranged alternately with the slots D⁵, and I find it convenient in practice to utilize the portions cut out in forming the slotted openings D⁶, as clamp sections D⁸ cooperating with the upper bent portion D² of the supporting section in forming a clamp to embrace the rack rod E in the use of the invention.

By my invention it will be noticed I provide a garment hanger having a spherical knob which will prevent the snagging or tearing of garments resulting in the rush of business from the use of hooks in suspending the garment hangers; and I provide a supporting section with alternating orifices D⁶ enlarged at D⁷, in combination with said knob of the garment hanger so the hanger may be readily applied to and removed from the supporting section, and will be securely supported in connection with the supporting section applied thereto.

The upturned seat D⁴ may have its edge turned slightly at D¹⁴, thus avoiding the sharp edge and reinforcing the seat D⁴ at such point.

I claim—

1. The improvement in hangers herein described, comprising a supporting section consisting of a plate bent at one end to fit over the rack rod, and having its other edge upturned and slotted from such edge and also provided with orifices alternating with such slots, and with enlarged portions for the in-

troducton of a knob, and having a clamp section coöperating with the upper bent edge of the plate for connection with a rack rod.

2. In a hanger substantially as described, a supporting section consisting of a plate having one edge bent to form a clamp section, and its other edge upturned and having its upturned edge slotted in the base of the upturned portion, and provided on the opposite side of said base from the edge slots with openings alternating with the slots, and having cut-out portions produced in the formation of said openings, and disposed to coöp-

erate with the clamp section of the plate in securing the supporting section upon a rack rod, substantially as set forth. 15

3. In a hanger substantially as described, a supporting section consisting of a plate having a clamp section, and having slotted openings produced by cut-out portions bent to coöperate with the clamp portions at the edge of the plate, substantially as set forth. 20

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