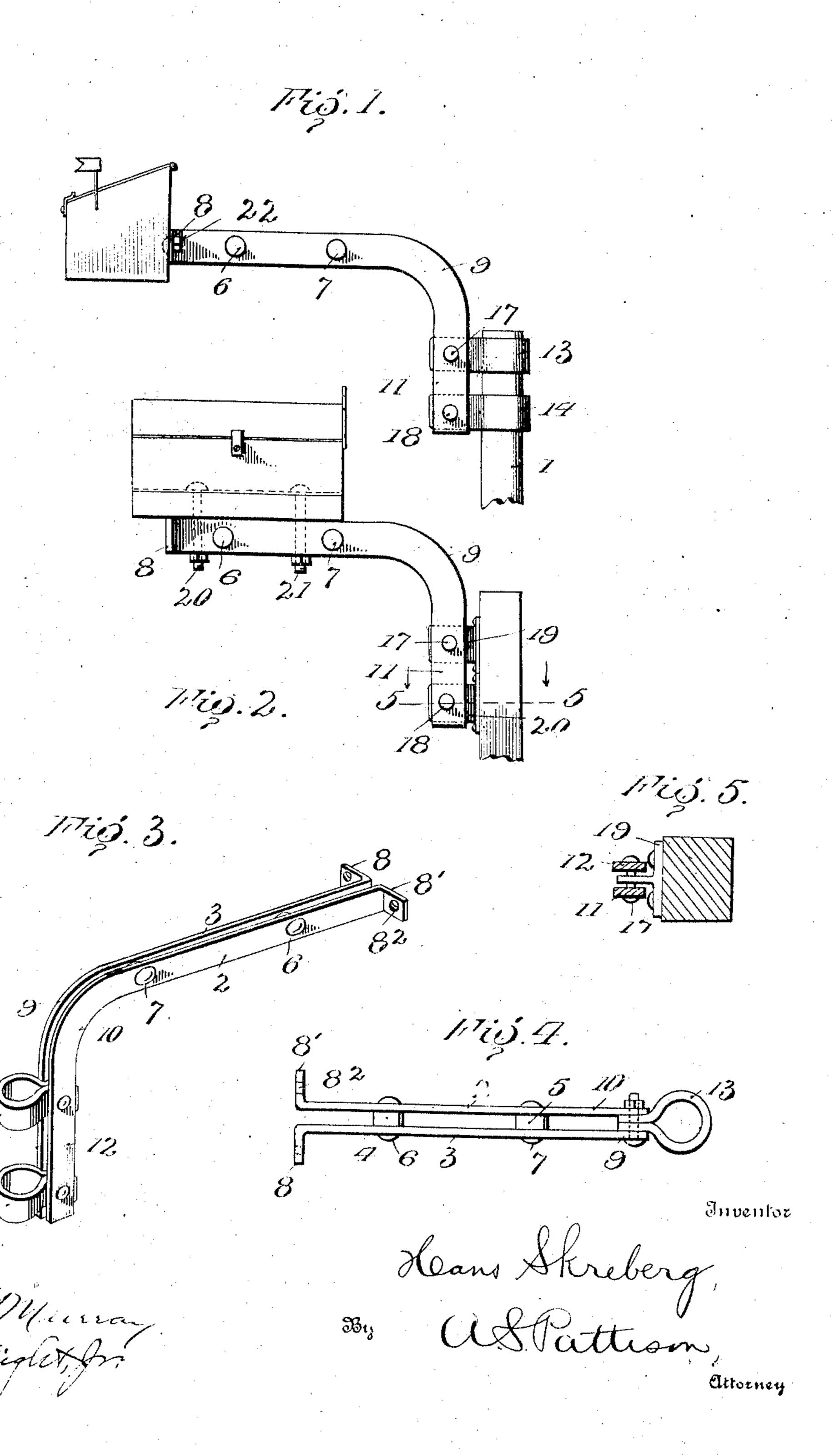
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HANS SKREBERG, a citizen of the United States, residing in Big Bend township, in the county of Chippewa | 5 and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Mail-Box Supports, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to improvements in

mail box supports.

a bracket for supporting mail boxes, and more particularly boxes in rural free deliv-15 ery routes, whereby boxes of different characters may be secured either to the end of the bracket, or upon its upper face, according to the character of the box used.

Another object of my invention is to pro-20 vide a bracket of this character which can be readily attached to a post or other place

and readily removable when desired.

A still further object of my invention is to provide a more simple, cheap and effective 25 bracket of this character having the above

stated advantages.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1, is a side elevation showing the box attached to the outer ends of the bracket, and the 30 bracket secured upon a post. Fig. 2, is a side elevation showing the box resting upon the upper face of the bracket and attached thereto, and showing a modified form of attaching the bracket. Fig. 3, is an enlarged 35 perspective view of the bracket. Fig. 4, is an enlarged top plan view of Fig. 1, showing the box removed. Fig. 5 is a transverse horizontal sectional view taken on the line 5-5 Fig. 2.

Referring now to the drawings, 1 represents a post or other support to which it is desired to attach a mail box in rural free delivery districts. Such mail boxes are of different character; that is, some open at the 45 end, some at the top, and other at the sides, and in different character of mail boxes it requires some to be attached by the bottom while others are attached by the side.

My improved bracket is so constructed 50 that the box may be readily attached to the bottom or side, according to the character

of the box.

My improved bracket consists of two horizontal arms 2 and 3 spaced apart by washers 55 4 and 5, and connected together with rivets or bolts 6 and 7, which pass through the tions of the arms.

washers and hold the arms in their spaced relation. The outer ends of the arms are turned laterally outwardly in opposite directions, and provided with openings 8 by 32 means of which the box may be attached to the ends of the arms. The inner ends of the arms are turned downwardly, as indicated at 9 and 10, into the vertical portions 11 and 12, which are held separated by the washers 65 in the horizontal portions.

In order to attach the bracket to a post, I The object of my invention is to provide provide the two clips 13 and 14 which encircle the post and have straight parallel portions 15 and 16 passing between the sepa- 70 rated vertical portions of the arms, and through which the bolts 17 and 18 pass, and whereby the clips are clamped around the post and at the same time locked to the

bracket.

When it is desired to attach my bracket to a fence or other flat support, instead of using the clips, I provide T-shaped plates 19 and 20. The heads of said T-shaped plates. are provided with openings by means of 80 which the plates are screwed, nailed or bolted to the flat surface, and the stem of said plates extends between the vertical portions 11 and 12 of the plates and are secured by the same bolts 17 and 18, whereby the 85 bracket is made of either a post or a flat surface.

The arms 2 and 3 being spaced apart, it will be seen that in boxes of certain character it will be necessary to secure them to the 90 bracket, with the bottom resting thereon. Bolts are passed downwardly through the bottom of the box and between the arms, and nuts are secured on the bolts below the arms, and the box is securely fastened thereon.

In other classes of boxes, it is necessary to secure them by one side, and this is accomplished by placing the side of the box against the laterally-turned ends of the arms 2 and 3, and bolts are passed through the holes in 100 the laterally-turned ends and through the side of the box, and nuts secured on the bolts.

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

1. A bracket of the character described, comprising two horizontal arms secured together and spaced apart, the inner ends of the arms bent downwardly forming two vertical parallel arms, and attaching means 110 removably secured between the vertical por-

2. A bracket of the character described, comprising two horizontal arms secured together and spaced apart, the inner ends of the arms bent downwardly forming two ver-5 tical parallel arms, and two attaching members having their ends removably secured between the vertical positions of the arms.

3. A bracket of the character described, comprising two arms secured together by 10 transverse members and spaced apart, the outer ends of the said arms turned laterally and having bolt openings therein, the inner ends of the arms bent downwardly forming two vertical parallel portions, and two at-15 taching members having their ends removably secured between the vertical portions of the arms.

4. A bracket of the character described, comprising two arms spaced apart by wash-20 ers, bolts passing through the arms and the washers and holding the arms together in their spaced relation, the outer ends of the arms turned laterally and having openings therein, the inner ends of the arms are bent 25 downwardly forming two vertical parallel arms and clips having their ends removably

secured between the vertical portions by transverse bolts.

5. A bracket of the character described comprising two horizontal arms secured to- 30 gether and spaced apart, the outer ends of said arms turned laterally, the inner ends of the arms bent downwardly forming two vertical parallel arms, and two attaching members having their ends removably secured be- 35 tween the vertical portions of the arms.

6. A bracket of the character described comprising two horizontal arms secured together with transverse members, washers on said members for holding the arms apart, the 40 outer ends of said arms turned laterally in opposite directions, the inner ends of the arms turned downwardly forming two vertical spaced portions of the arms, and attaching means secured between the vertical 45 portion of the arms.

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

HANS SKREBERG.

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