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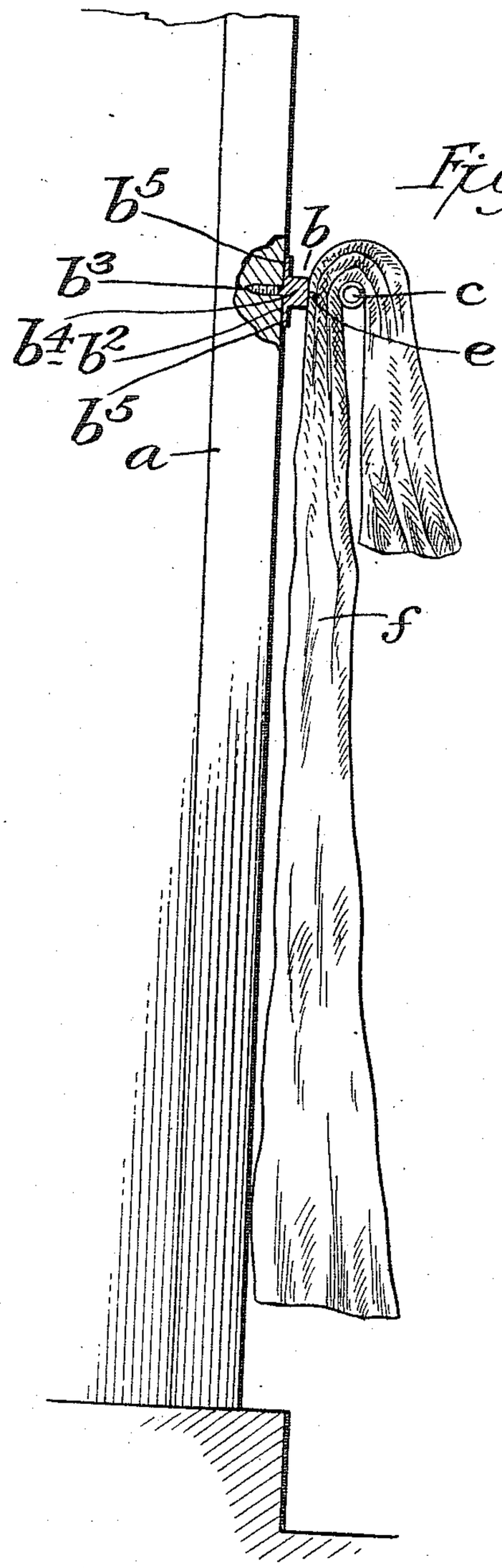
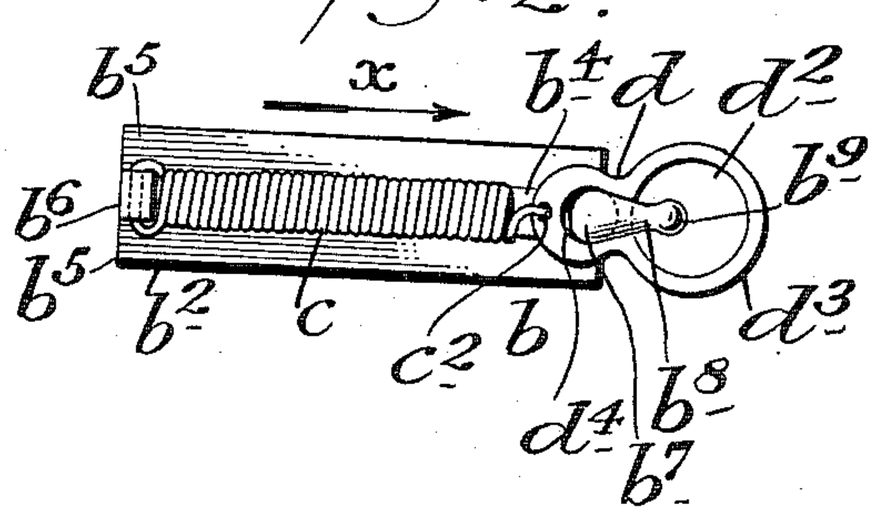


Fig. 1.



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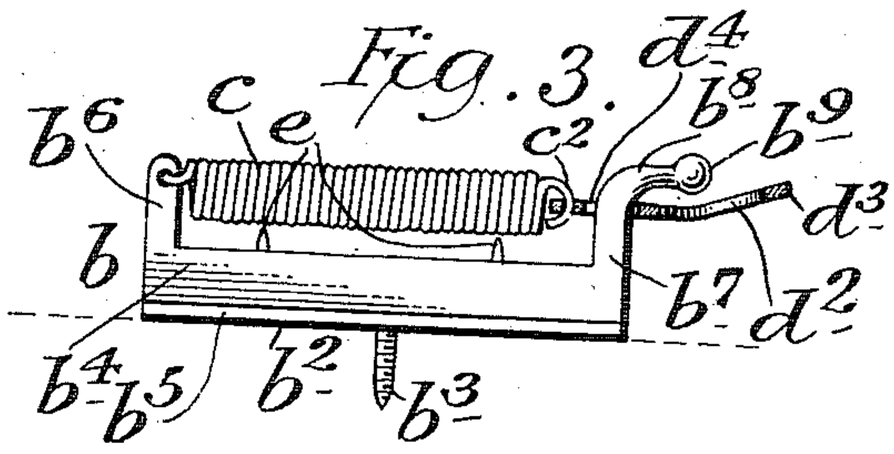

Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY T. LOOMIS, a citizen of the United States, and residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Door Crape-Holders, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to means for securing or connecting crape to a door frame or door, and the object thereof is to provide an improved device of this class which is simple in construction and operation and which may be quickly and easily attached to or secured to a door frame or door and which will automatically adjust itself to different amounts of crape or other material.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawing forms a part, in which the separate parts of my invention are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which;—

Figure 1, is a side view of a part of a door frame and showing my improvement applied thereto;—Fig. 2, a front view of the improvement detached;—and, Fig. 3, a side view thereof.

In the drawing forming part of this specification I have shown at a, one side of a door frame, and in the practice of my invention I provide a crape holder b comprising a back member b^2 of predetermined length and having a central screw b^3 formed on or connected therewith in any desired manner and which may be screwed into a door frame as shown in Fig. 1. The back member b^2 preferably consists of a central part b^4 having side flanges b^5, but said back member may be made in any desired manner. The back member b^2 is provided at its ends with forwardly directed arms b^6 and b^7 and connected with one of said arms, the arm b^6 as shown, is a spiral spring c, with the other end of which is connected a handle plate d. The arm b^7 is longer than the arm b^6 and is curved upwardly to form a hook member b^8 having a knob or head b^9, and the handle plate d is loosely connected with the spring c at c^2 and is also provided at its free or outer end with a circular aperture d^2 forming a ring shaped handle d^3, and between the ring shaped handle d^3 and the connection of the spring with the handle plate d is a circular aperture d^4 through which the hook member b^8 is adapted to be passed. The back member b^2 is also provided with forwardly directed teeth e, and the operation will be readily understood from the foregoing description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing and the following statement thereof.

In order to connect the device with a door frame, as shown in Fig. 1, all that is necessary is to turn the same so as to force the screw b^3 into said door frame. The spring c is then disconnected from the hook member b^8, and the crape f or one end portion thereof is placed between the arms b^6 and b^7, after which the spring c is passed around the crape and again connected with the hook member b^8 and this securely grasps and holds the crape, the spring c operating to press the crape on the teeth e and said crape will not slip in or through the holder.

The spring c may be connected with the hook member b^8 by simply pulling said spring in the direction of the arrow x of Fig. 1, by means of the handle and depressing said handle so that the hook b^8 will pass through the aperture d^4, but in order to detach the spring from said hook the handle d^3 is turned downwardly and at the same time pulled outwardly in the direction of the arrow x, and in this operation the hook b^8 will pass out of the aperture d^4.

My invention is not limited to the particular form of the body portion of the device with which the spring c is connected, nor to the particular means for securing the device to a door frame or other support, and various changes in and modifications of the construction herein shown and described may be made, within the scope of the appended claims, without departing from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

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

1. A door crape holder comprising a main back or body member having forwardly directed arms, and a spring connected with one of said arms and adapted to be connected with the other, said back or body portion being also provided with forwardly directed teeth.

2. A door crape holder comprising a back

or body portion having forwardly directed arms, one of which is formed into a hook and a spiral spring connected with the other arm and adapted to be connected with said hook.

3. A door crape holder comprising a back or body portion provided with forwardly directed arms, one of which is formed into a hook, and a spiral spring one end of which is connected with one of said arms and the other end of which is provided with a handle having an aperture through which said hook is adapted to be passed.

4. A door crape holder comprising a back or body member provided with forwardly directed arms and a spring connected with one of said arms and adapted to be connected with the other.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of the subscribing witnesses this 4th day of April 1911.

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