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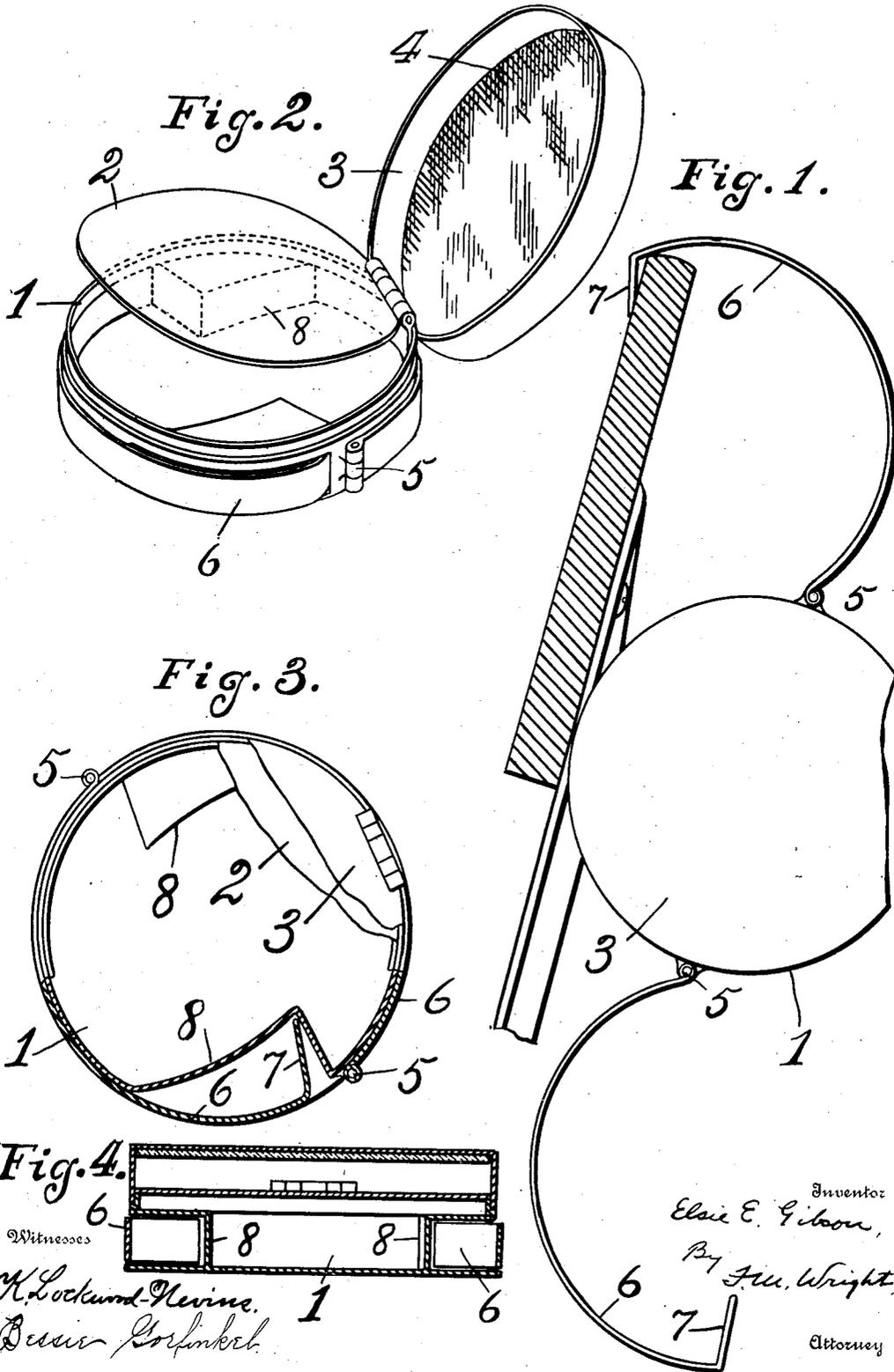


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELSIE E. GIBSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in a Combined Hook and Box, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a combined hook and box especially adapted for suspending ladies' hats or other articles from chairs in theaters or other places or from any other suitable means of support which can be conveniently carried in a small compact form and which shall at the same time form a convenient receptacle for small toilet articles, such as a handkerchief, a mirror, or the like.

In recent years the practice has come into general use of requiring ladies to remove their hats in theaters or other places of entertainment and even in churches. Satisfactory means for supporting these articles, which are often fragile and easily soiled, have not, as a rule, been provided in such places, and therefore the care of the same is troublesome to the owner.

The object of the present invention is to provide a small article which can be easily carried in a small satchel or porte-monnaie which will serve to suspend the hat and at the same time form a receptacle for other articles.

My invention therefore resides in the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of parts for the above ends hereinafter fully specified and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side view of the article in the position of use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same, showing the lids open. Fig. 3 is a plan view with parts broken away. Fig. 4 is a vertical section.

Referring to the drawings, 1 represents a casing or box which is substantially cylindrical in form, its diameter being considerably greater than its length. The box has two lids, the under lid 2 forming a closure for the main chamber of the box in which may be carried any article convenient for the use of ladies, such as a small powdered handkerchief or the like. The upper lid 3 contains on its under side a mirror 4, which can be used when said lid is opened and thrown back.

Upon the cylindrical surface of the box

are hinged diametrically opposite to each other, as shown at 5, two hooks 6, which for the greater portion of their length are of the same curvature as the box, so as to fit snugly against the cylindrical wall of the box. At their free ends 7 they are bent sharply inward, as shown, to give them a better hold upon the articles to which they are attached. In order to enable these terminal portions to swing into and out of the box, the curved wall of the chamber is cut down or depressed, as shown at 8, in an arc of a circle having for its center the hinge of the corresponding hook.

In use, the hooks having been extended, the upper hook is passed over the upper edge of the chair or other fixed support, and the lower hook then hangs down and forms a hook from which may be suspended the hat or other garment. When the hooks are folded up, the device occupies little space and forms a convenient receptacle for the carriage of any necessary small article.

I claim—

1. An article of the character described, comprising a casing in the form of a closed curve, a lid hinged to the edge of the casing and adapted to be folded against the said edge to close the corresponding end thereof, and hooks hinged to said casing transversely thereto or at right angles to the first hinge, and adapted to lie along their whole length snugly against the curved side of the casing, and extending each substantially half-way around the same, substantially as described.

2. An article of the character described, comprising a substantially cylindrical casing, a lid hinged to the edge of the casing and adapted to be folded against said edge to close the corresponding end thereof, and hooks hinged to said casing transversely thereto or at right angles to the first hinge, and adapted to lie along their whole length snugly against the curved side of the casing, and extending each substantially half-way around the same; said casing having recesses to receive the ends of the hooks, and the free ends of the hooks being bent sharply inward, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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