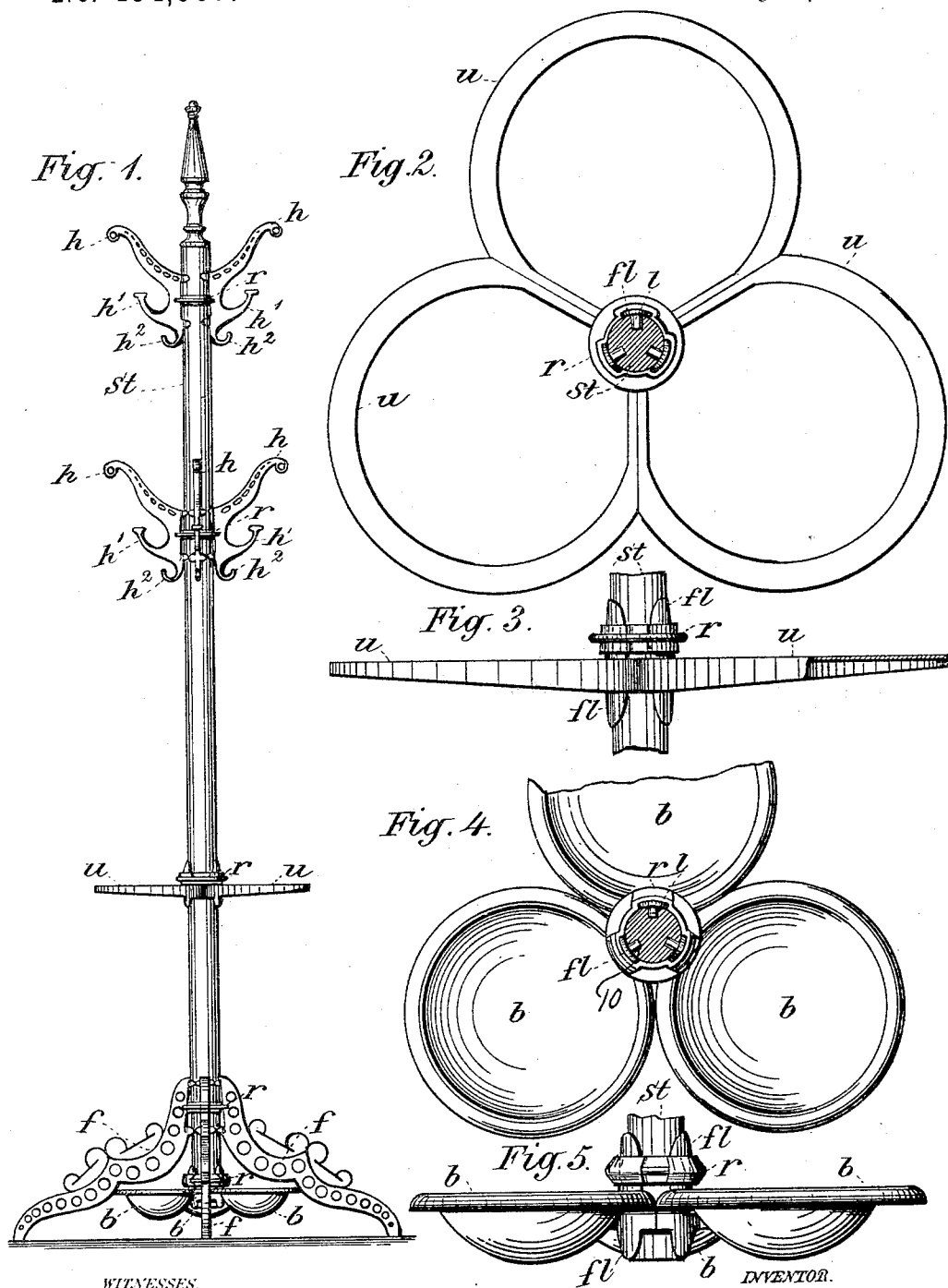


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CALVIN G. UDELL, of North Indianapolis, county of Marion, and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Coat and Umbrella Racks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which like letters refer to like parts.

My invention relates to the construction of devices which combine a rack for holding coats and hats and guards or rings for holding umbrellas, with drip-bowls, and will be understood from the following description.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a general view in elevation of my device. Fig. 2 is a detail view of the guards for holding the umbrellas, showing the means for securing them in place upon the standard. Fig. 3 is a front edge view of the same, a part of one edge being broken away, showing the flange of the ring. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the drip-bowls secured to the bottom of the standard and the lock mechanism that holds them in place. Fig. 5 is an edge view of the same. Fig. 1 is drawn upon a smaller scale than the others.

The device consists of a standard *st*, made of wood, upon the upper half of which are secured two sets of brackets, each one of these having three separate hooks one above the other *h h' h''*, upon which may be hung coats or hats, and these are secured to the standard by means of lugs entering holes in the standard and a lock-ring, in the manner shown in another application filed April 26, 1889, herewith, for an improvement in tables, Serial No 308,746, reference to which is hereby made, and the method of fastening these brackets, which corresponds with the feet of the table in the other application referred to, need not be herein described, as it is not claimed in this application. The feet *f* are secured to the bottom of the standard in the same way as the feet in the application for Letters Patent upon tables, before referred to, and form no part of the present application.

The invention described herein consists, chiefly, in the manner in which the rings or guards *u* for receiving umbrellas are secured to the standard and to each other, and the drip-bowls *b* at the bottom of the standard,

with their method of attachment, and will now be described.

The umbrella-guards *u* are open rings, preferably made with a flat top, which extends over the side in the shape of a flange, as shown in Fig. 3, and the edges of these rings are flattened on one or more sides to fit against a corresponding plain surface upon the adjacent ring. When three are used, as shown in Fig. 2, the sides of the rings are flattened so that the three will come together and form a trefoil, and each is provided with a flange *f*, which corresponds in shape to that of the ring, and in the center of this flange is formed a lug *l*, which enters an opening formed in the standard. When the rings have been set in place, their plain faces bearing against each other, their lugs entering openings in the standard, a lock-ring *r*, having inside notches formed in the shape of the outer surfaces of the flanges, is driven down over them, binding them firmly to the standard, the inner faces of the flanges which project above and below the body portion of the ring being made concave to fit the round body portion of the standard. This method of fastening the guards *u* is also adopted for the drip-bowls *b*, each of these having a flange with a concave interior surface, and a central lug precisely like the guards *u*, and the lock-ring *r* is driven down over these flanges after the lugs have been inserted in the openings of the standard, and the bowls will be held firmly to the standard and in proper position in relation to each other. The inner ends of these bowls are shaped so as to touch or bear slightly against each other, as shown in Fig. 4, so that each becomes a partial support to the other.

Instead of the three bowls and the three umbrella-guards shown in the drawings, two or four or even more might be used; but the principle of fastening would be the same in either case, each one being provided with a flange having an inner concave face and a central lug entering an opening in the standard, the bowls being shaped and sized so as to conform to the periphery of the standard that is used, and the lock-ring being driven over the upper flanges of the guards and bowls the same as shown in the drawings. It will thus be seen that the lock-ring binds directly upon the outer faces of the flanges, and does not

touch the central standard at all, and therefore the latter may be fully finished and the guards, hooks, and bowls attached without any injury to the varnish or enamel upon the outer surface.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is the following:

1. A coat and umbrella rack comprising a central standard, one or more series of detachable brackets secured to such standard near its top and upon its upper central portion, one or more detachable umbrella-guards secured at, about, or below the center thereof, and detachable feet secured near the lower end of the standard, with detachable bowls beneath such feet, also secured to the standard, substantially as shown and described.

2. A device for securing umbrella-guards, drip-bowls, brackets, and other similar devices to a standard, comprising a guard-bracket or bowl having a flange connected therewith and provided with a central lug for entering an opening in such standard, and a lock-ring whose interior face corresponds with the exterior face of such flange and adapted to fit about and over such flanges when the lugs thereof are set into the standard, all combined substantially as described.

3. In a rack, the combination, with a central standard, of a series of detachable hooks connected to the upper portion thereof, three or more umbrella-guards formed with a plain

outer surface or face to fit against a corresponding face on the adjacent guard, and provided with a flange having an inner concave face fitting the periphery of the standard, and a central lug for entering an opening in such standard, and means, such as a lock-ring, whose inner face is adapted to fit over such flanges and about such standard, substantially as shown and described.

4. In an umbrella-rack, a series of bowls *b*, each provided with a flange *fl*, having a central lug *l*, in combination with a standard having openings to receive such lugs and the lock-ring *r* for securing the bowls to such standard, substantially as shown and described.

5. In an umbrella-rack, a series of guards *u*, having their edges flattened on one or more sides, for forming a joint with similar faces on adjacent ones, each guard provided with a flange having a concave inner face for fitting about and a central lug for entering an opening in a standard, in combination with such standard, and a ring *r*, having inner notches for locking the parts, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of April, 1889.

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