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Hat-Supporting Attachments for Chairs.

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Fig. 1.

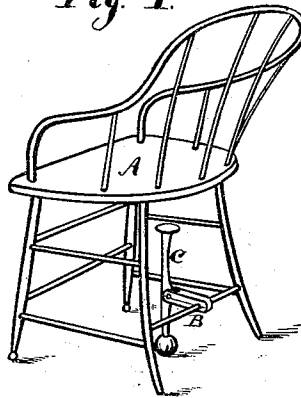
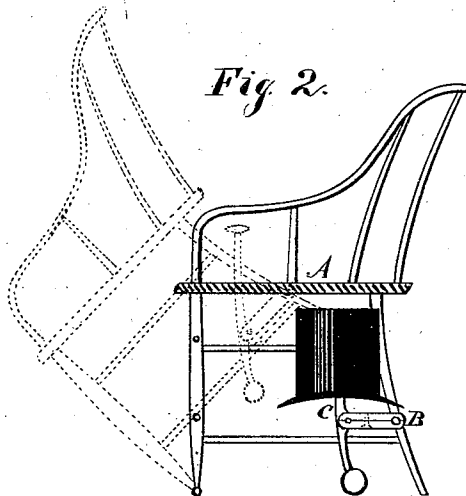


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HAT-SUPPORTING ATTACHMENTS FOR CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD P. CURTISS, of Cleveland, county of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, have invented a Hat-Supporting Attachment for Chairs, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to an attachment for chairs for supporting hats; and consists of a lever pivoted to an arm clamped to the back round of the chair in such a manner that by tilting the chair forward the upper end of the lever projects so that the hat may be placed thereon, and when the chair is again placed on its feet the lever supports the hat under the seat, and cannot be removed without either tilting the chair forward or the lever backward. The lower end of the lever having a ball weight keeps it in a perpendicular position, and also reaching the floor is prevented from being tilted while a person is sitting in the chair.

To enable others to fully understand my invention, I will proceed to describe the same in detail by the aid of the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a chair having the hat-support attached. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of a chair, showing the hat in position on the said support. The dotted lines represent the chair tilted forward with the support ready to receive it.

A represents a chair, to the back round of which I attach the aforesaid hat-support. B is an arm, made in two halves, having in the two surfaces that come together near the ends

spaces cut, one to embrace the round and the other to receive the pin of the lever C. A screw through the arm clamps the two halves together and secures it to the round. C is a lever, pivoted in the end of the arm B, and has a ball-weight on the lower end to keep it in a perpendicular position.

The practical operation of this is as follows; By tilting the chair forward, as seen in dotted lines, Fig. 2, the pivoted support C stands upright by means of the weight at its lower end, and is in convenient position for placing the hat upon. When the chair is returned to its original position the hat will be under the seat, as seen in Fig. 2, with the lower end of the said support resting on the floor.

For hotel dining-rooms this is a most desirable invention, as the liability to loss of hats by guests is completely overcome.

For theaters or halls, when the chairs or seats are fixed, the support may be tilted outward by pushing the foot against the ball under the chair forward of the one the person is sitting in, and the hat thus be placed in a safe out-of-the-way place.

Having described my invention, I claim—

In combination with the back round of a chair or seat, A, the hat-support, consisting of the arm B and pivoted support C, substantially as shown and described.

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