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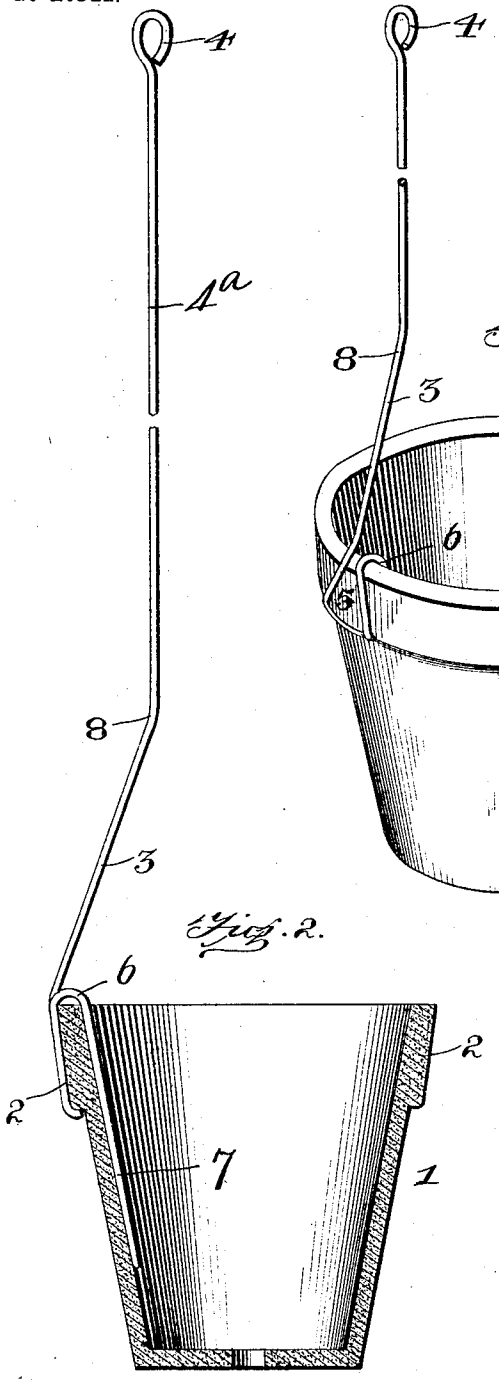


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

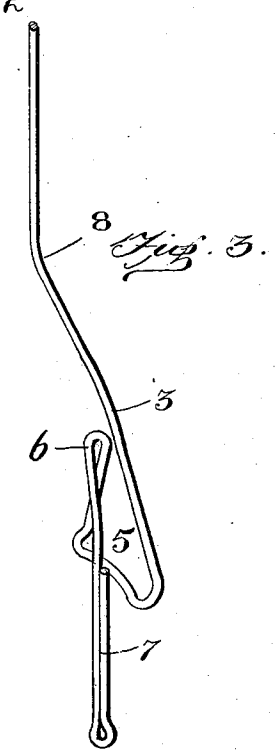


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM COBBETT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cooperstown, in the county of Otsego and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Flower-Pot Supports; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improved devices for supporting or hanging pots of growing plants.

The object of the invention is to provide a hanging device which may be quickly applied to a flower-pot to enable the same to be suspended from a suitable support.

A further object is to provide a device of this character which will be simple, strong and durable, inexpensive, and well adapted to the purpose for which it is designed.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as will be more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the application of the device to a flower-pot. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of a flower-pot having applied thereto a hanger formed in accordance with the invention. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the hanger removed from the pot.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 denotes a flower-pot, which may be of the common or ordinary form and construction, being provided on its upper end with the usual flange or offset rim 2.

The hanger 3 is preferably formed of a single piece of stiff spring-wire rod of suitable size and strength. The hanger is made by first bending an eye or suspending device 4 on one end of the rod, which latter forms a hanger-arm 4^a. Near the opposite end of the same the wire is bent to form a triangularly-shaped jaw 5, which is adapted to engage the outside of the pot. The end of the wire is now bent to form a loop 6 and then extends downwardly in approximately parallel relation to the jaw 5, projecting some distance below the same, where it is doubled or folded upon itself, as at 7, thereby forming a smooth rounded end, which will not injure the roots of the plants when forced into the pot. The lower portion of the triangularly-shaped jaw 5 is bent slightly inwardly to cause the same to more firmly grip the flange of the pot.

In applying the hanger to a pot the edge of the pot is engaged between the triangularly-shaped outer jaw and the looped end of the wire forming the inner jaw. The hanger is now pushed down until the loop 6 engages the upper edge of the pot. The inwardly-bent lower end of the jaw 5 will engage under the offset flange or rim 2, while the doubled or folded end 7 will extend down into the pot and engage the inner side of the same, thereby firmly connecting the hanger with the pot. Immediately above the pot the hanger is bent first inwardly and then upwardly in the form of a compound curve, providing an inclined or offset portion, as shown at 8, so as to project the hanger-arm 4^a beyond the plane of the jaw 7, so that when said pot is suspended by the hanger the arm 4^a will lie above the body of the pot and the weight of the pot and contents will tend to cause the jaw 5 to more firmly engage the flange or rim of the pot, as will be understood.

It is frequently desirable to hang pots of growing plants to the sash-bars or other supports in hothouses, and to do this it is necessary to provide a hanger of some kind to support the pots. Ordinarily these hangers consist of two or more wires looped or twisted around the pots and do not present a very attractive appearance, besides being troublesome and inconvenient to apply. A hanger constructed as herein shown and described obviates all these objectionable features and provides a neat and simple device, which may be quickly and easily applied to a pot to firmly hold and support the same. It will be understood that these hangers may be made in any desirable lengths and of various sizes of wire capable of supporting pots of different sizes.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the inven-

tion will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion, and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention.

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

A flower-pot hanger formed of a single piece of wire bent at one end to form a hanger-arm having a suspending device and at its opposite end to form a jaw to engage the inner side of the pot, a loop at the upper end of said jaw to engage the edge of the pot, a substantially triangular jaw at the outer extremity of said loop to engage the outer surface of the rim of the pot, and an offset between said triangular jaw and hanger-arm to project the latter inwardly beyond the plane of the first-named jaw to lie above the body of the pot, substantially as described.

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

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