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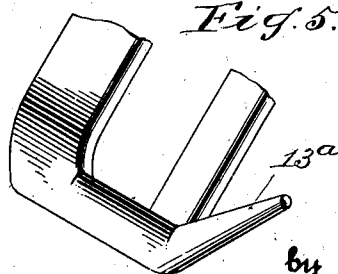
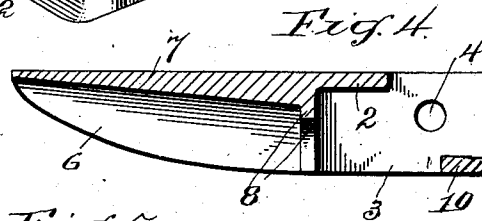
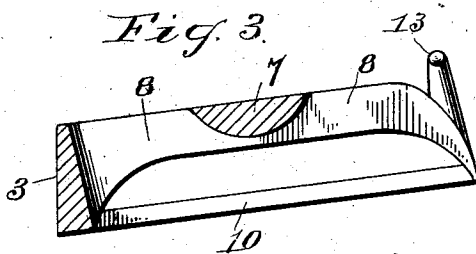
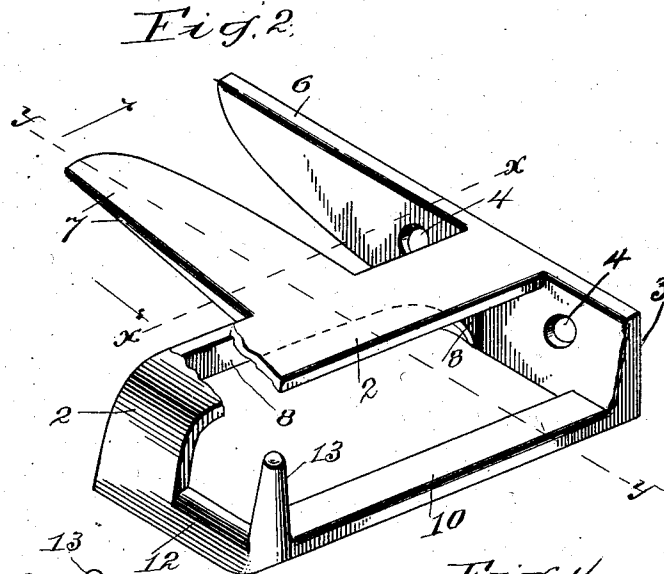
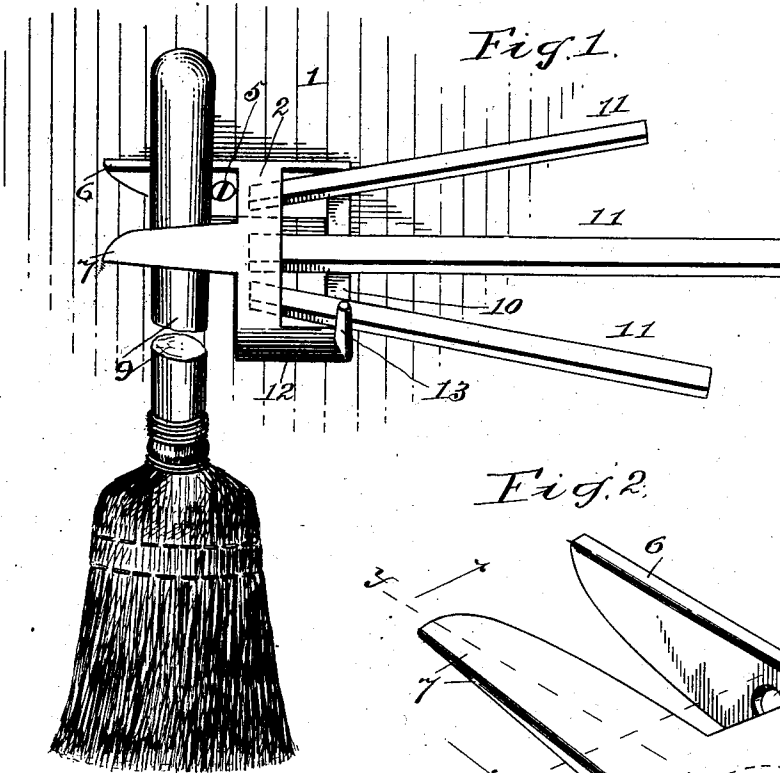
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ORLANDOW S. PERKINS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newbern, in the county of Craven and State of North Carolina, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Broom-Holder, Clothes-Rack, and Towel-Hanger, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to brackets for holding brooms and clothes-hanger bars or rods, and pertains particularly to a combined broom-holder, towel-rack, and clothes-hanger.

The object of the invention is to provide a bracket of such novel and peculiar shape that it will hold a broom, a towel, and one or more bars or rods to admit of clothes or articles to be hung thereon for drying or for any other purpose desired.

The invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts and resides, essentially, in a wall-bracket of such shape as to suspend a broom vertically therefrom and to suspend one or more bars, rods, or strips in horizontal position therefrom. This bracket is especially adapted for kitchen, pantry, and laundry use, and the combination of elements comprising its make up produce a new article of manufacture simple in construction, convenient of attachment, and efficient in its functions.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the bracket applied to a wall and showing its several uses. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the bracket, partly broken away. Fig. 3 is a sectional view on the line *x x*, Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line *y y*, Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a modification.

The same numeral references denote the same parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

The bracket is adapted to be attached to the wall of a kitchen, pantry, laundry, or other room or hall, not at right angles to the wall, but at such angle as will make the bracket incline outwardly and upwardly, so that a broom hung therefrom will not hang against the wall, but will hang straight or in vertical position. This is accomplished by casting or otherwise forming a main or central plate 2

at an upwardly-inclined angle from the vertical straight back 3, which has holes 4 there-through for screws 5, whereby the bracket is secured in position. The back 3 has a pointed extension or finger 6, and a semicircular or half-round pointed or tapering finger 7 extends from a brace-flange 8 of the plate 2 in the same direction as the finger 6, so as to leave an inclined opening between the fingers for the broom-handle 9. These elements constitute the broom-holder, and it will be seen that the inner sharp edge of the finger 7, with its angle relative to the finger 6, will hold a broom-handle in the inclined opening without slipping and will suspend a broom in vertical position at whatever point the handle is inserted between the fingers. From the lower corner end of the back 3, opposite the finger 6, is projected an arm 10, on the same angle as the plate 2, but out of the horizontal plane of the latter, so as to form a space for one or more bars, rods, or strips 11, the inner ends of which abut against the brace-flange 8. The flange 8, plate 2, and arm 10 are connected by a front plate 12. These elements constitute the clothes-rack holder. The towel holder or hook is formed by a vertical post 13, projecting upwardly from the juncture of the arm 10 and the front plate 12. It is obvious that the rack-bars may be set at various angles to the bracket by simply moving the outer ends of the bars as desired.

Referring to the modification shown in Fig. 5, the towel-post 13^a is projected outwardly at an angle to the bracket; otherwise the structure of the bracket is the same as that hereinbefore described; but the towel-post may be formed on the bracket at various other angles, if desired, and the broom-opening and bar-space may be varied and the size and the angle of the bracket relative to the wall may be changed as occasion may demand without departing from the spirit of the invention.

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

1. A broom-holder comprising a back, for securing the holder and having a finger, a plate projecting at an angle from the back, and a finger extending from the plate in the

same direction as the back finger to leave a broom-handle opening between the fingers.

2. A broom-holder comprising a finger adapted to be fixed to a wall or other suitable object, a tapering finger projecting in the same direction as the other finger to form an opening between the fingers, and a plate connecting the fingers on an angle.

3. A broom-holder comprising a back for fixing the holder and having a finger, a plate extending at an angle to the back, and a taperingsemicircular finger projecting from the plate in the same direction as the back finger so as to leave an opening between the fingers.

4. A combined broom-holder and clothes-rack comprising the fingers, the plate connecting the fingers on an angle, and having a flange, and an arm extending in the same direction as the plate so as to form a space

between the plate and the arm for suitable rack-bars.

5. A combined broom-holder, clothes-rack and towel-hook comprising a bracket having a back suitable for fixing the bracket, a finger extension of the back, a finger having a sharp edge, a plate connecting the fingers at an angle, and having a flange, an arm projecting from the back out of the plane of plate, a front plate connecting the flanged plate and the arm together, and a post at the intersection of the arm and the front plate.

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

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