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Fig. 1.

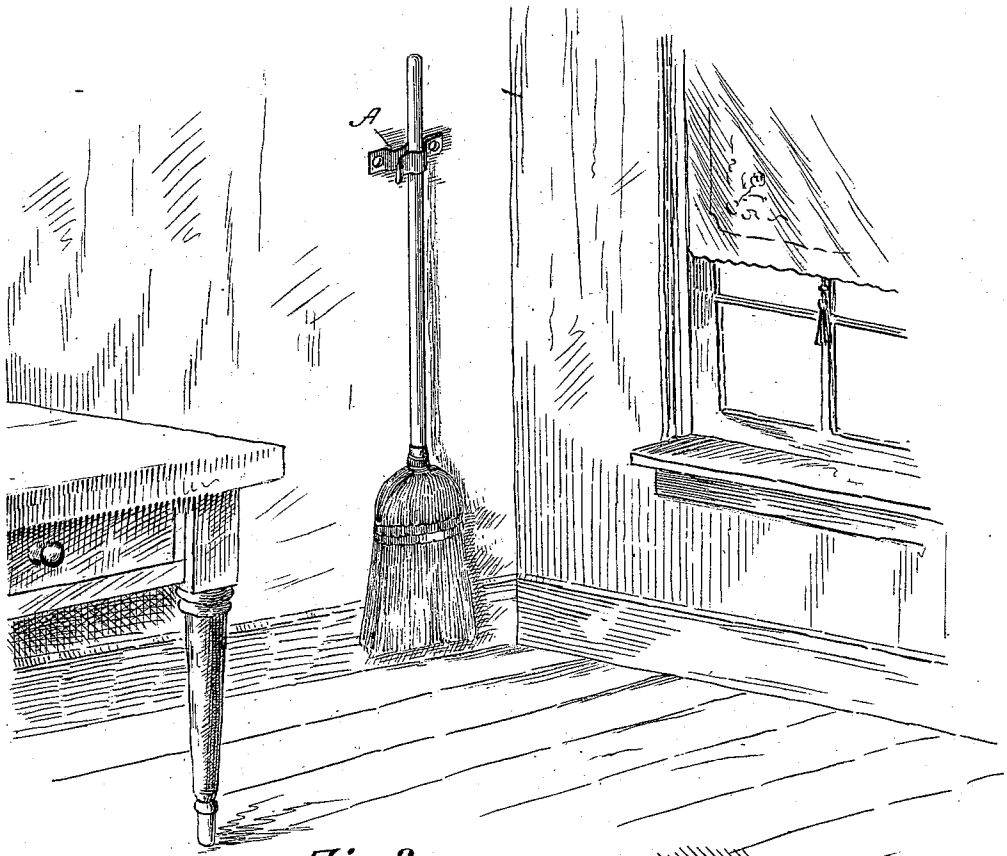
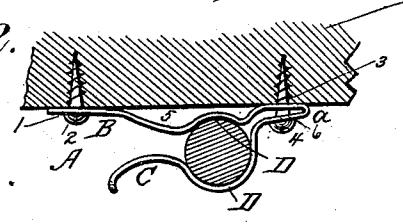


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERTO FINKS, of New Berlin, in the county of Chenango and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Broom-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved device intended in use to be secured to the wall of a room or other suitable support, and which will serve to hold a broom or other similar article when not in use.

The invention consists in a holder constructed with a base and a clasp-arm bent from a plate of metal and having coincident screw-holes near their juncture, whereby a fastening-screw may be employed to adjust the tension of the holder, to properly secure brooms of different weights or the handles of which are of different sizes.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of the interior of a room showing my improved device as in use; and Fig. 2 is a view part in section, the holder being shown in plan.

My broom-holder A is formed of a narrow plate of metal bent at *a*, forming the inner or base-plate, B, and the outer or clasp-plate, C, between which I form at D the seat for the broom-handle. The base-plate is provided near its free end with a hole, 1, for the screw 2, and near its opposite end with a hole, 3, for screw 4, the plate being bulged out at 5 centrally between such holes 1 and 3, in order to secure the broom-handle away from the wall or support. The outer arm or clasp, C, is provided with a hole, 6, coincident with hole 3, and the screw or other similar fastening 4 is passed through both holes 6 3, and then into the support. These holes 6 3, it will be seen, are located between the broom-seat D and the juncture of arms B and C, the portion of the arm C between such points serving as a spring. Now, by forcing the fastening 4 farther into the support the tension of the clasp may be increased, so that by means of the described construction the device can be adjusted to clasp broom-handles of different sizes, or brooms or mops of different weights having handles of the same size, as manifestly a heavy broom or mop would require a greater tension than one of less weight.

It will be seen that the holder, being formed of a metal plate, may be quickly struck or stamped out at one operation and then bent in a second operation, and may be, consequently, put upon the market at a small cost.

My device, when not in use, rests close against the wall, and the broom is moved into and out thereof in a plane parallel with the said wall, as shown, so that the wall will serve as a guide in inserting the broom into the holder.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a broom-holder consisting of a plate bent between its ends forming the base and clasp-arms, having a broom-seat between them, and both of such arms being provided between the point of bending and such seat with coincident screw-holes, substantially as set forth.

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