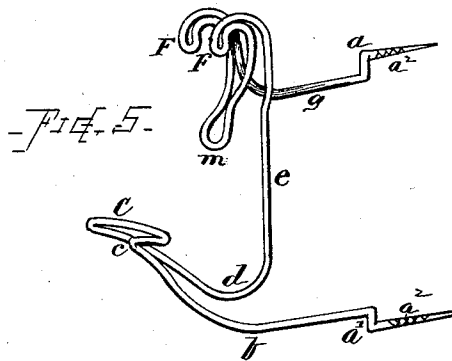
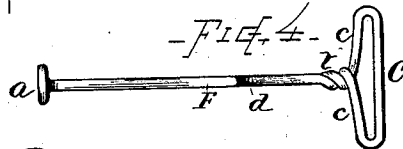
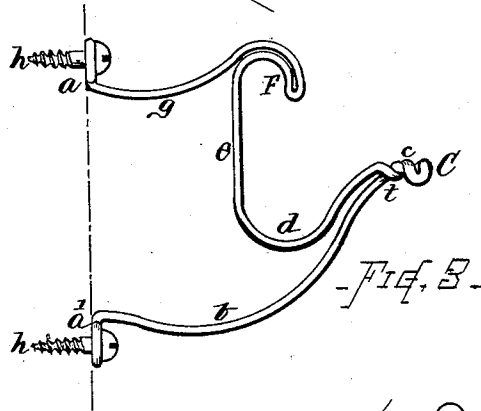
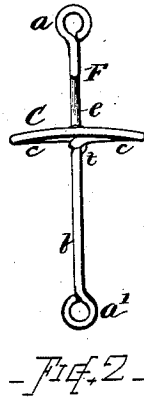
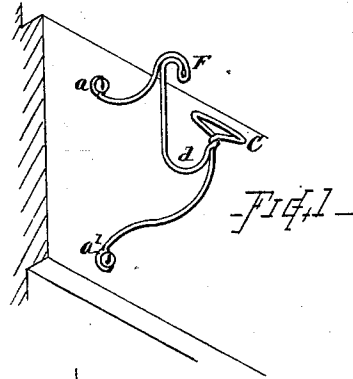


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANKLIN YOUNG, a citizen of the United States, residing at Palmer, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hanging-Hooks for Hats and Coats, and for Similar Purposes; and I declare the following to be a description of my said invention sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

The object of my present invention is to provide a hanging-hook formed of wire that shall be cheap, serviceable, and convenient for hanging hats and coats, and for similar purposes; and my invention consists in an improved wire hanging-hook, the peculiar construction and nature of which are illustrated in the drawings and hereinafter more fully explained.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a wire hook constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a front view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side view of the same. Fig. 4 is a top view of the same; and Fig. 5 is a perspective view, showing modifications in the construction.

In the references, *a* and *a'* indicate the ends of the wire by which the hook is secured to the wall or strip on which it is supported. Said ends are formed into round eyes for screws, or otherwise adapted for securing to the wall or wood hanging strip. From the lower end, *a'*, the wire projects forward with an upward curve, *b*. Its forward extremity is bent in the manner indicated at *c*, to produce lateral projections toward the right and left, which together form a broad supporting-head or cross-bar, *C*, from which the wire is returned along and above the part *b* for a suitable distance, and then extended upward, making the depression or hollow bend *d*, from the inner side of which the wire is carried upward, as at *e*, and the upper part is provided with an overhanging loop, hook, or double bend, *F*, located in relation to the head *C* substantially as shown, and from which loop the wire extends backward in a straight or

curved line, *g*, to the fastening end *a*, the several parts, curves, and bends being relatively proportioned and disposed so as to produce a complete hanging-hook, substantially in the shape indicated.

In the use of the hook the part *C* serves as a hanging-pin or support for a hat within the crown, while the overhanging part *F* locks over the edge of the hat-brim and retains the hat from slipping from the support *C*. The lateral width given the part *C* serves to prevent the hat from swinging around to one side, while it gives sufficient surface to prevent the end of the hook from straining or puncturing thin fabrics that may be hung thereon. The hollow or bend *d* accommodates the loop of a coat or other garment. The ends *a a'* are provided with eyes to receive the attaching-screws *h*; or, if preferred, the ends could be made, as indicated in Fig. 5, to be driven into the wood, and the sides of the driven portion could be roughened or notched, as indicated at *a''*, to give a firm hold on the wood fibers.

Fig. 5 shows a modified form of the hook, in which the upper bend, *F*, is formed double, or with two overhanging loops located at a short distance apart laterally, and with a projecting loop, *m*, located somewhat lower down, thus adapting the hook for hat-brims of different widths, the wide brims to catch under the upper bends, *F*, and narrow brims under the lower bend, *m*.

If desired, the neck of the hook can be linked together or twisted, as at *t*; or, if preferred, it can be made without the twist. Any suitable size of wire can be used for the construction of the hooks, and the size of hook can be proportioned to the service for which it is designed.

What I claim as of my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A hanging-hook constructed of wire and formed, substantially as shown, with the laterally-extended head *C*, the hollow curve *d*, and the overhanging curve or loop *F*, and having ends *a a'*, adapted for securing to a wall, as set forth.

2. A hanging-hook constructed of wire, provided with a forwardly-extended portion supporting a hat within its crown, and having at its upper part one or more overhanging

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bends or loops for engaging the upper edge of the hat-brim, substantially in the manner hereinbefore described.

5 3. A hanging-hook constructed of wire bent into the form indicated at *b C d e F g*, with its ends *a a'* adapted for securing to a wall or other support, and having the wires at its neck *t* linked or twisted together, substantially as shown and described.

Witness my hand this 25th day of May, A. 10  
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