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Hat & Coat Hook.

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Fig. 1.

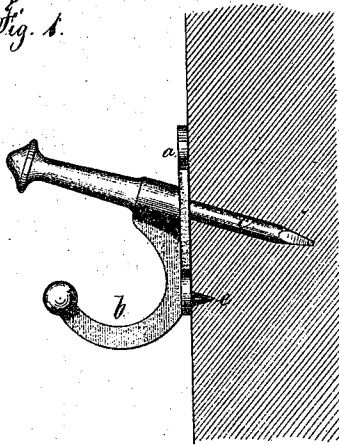
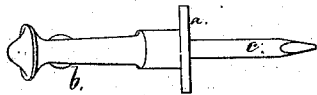


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN COAT AND HAT-HOOKS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, MORTON JUDD, of New Haven, in the State of Connecticut, and HUBERT L. JUDD, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented an Improved Hook or Bracket; and the following is declared to be a correct description thereof.

Heretofore hooks and brackets in metal for hanging clothes upon and supporting other articles have been made with a spike, to be driven into the wood-work. This spike has been at right angles, or nearly so, to the metallic plate or disk, that sets against the surface of the wood; hence the bracket or hook was liable to work loose, because it could turn with said spike in the wood, and eventually the spike would cease to hold firmly, and the hook or bracket be liable to fall.

Our invention is made for the purpose of preventing any turning movement of the spike in the wood, so that the same cannot work loose, and, at the same time, the spike is in such position relatively to the portion of the hook or bracket that projects beyond the wood-work, that the spike is not as liable as heretofore to be pulled out by any weight upon such hook or bracket.

In the drawing—

Figure 1 is a side view of said hook or bracket, and

Figure 2 is a plan of the same.

The plate *a* and hook, arm, or bracket *b* are of any usual or desired character adapted to hanging clothes upon, or supporting any desired article, such as a window-curtain or shade.

The spike or nail portion *c* is to be pointed, so as to be driven with facility into wood-work.

The peculiarity of this invention consists in the spike placed at a downward inclination to the surface of the plate *a*, so that the one is diagonal to the other, instead of being at right angles, as heretofore.

The result of this construction is that the spike holds the hook or bracket much more firmly than heretofore to wood-work, because a weight hung upon such hook or bracket tends to force the spike inward, in consequence of the inclination thereof, and, furthermore, a lateral or turning motion is effectually prevented, because such turning movement would cause the lower part of the plate *a* to press into the surface of the wood, and, if continued, would either scrape into and break away the surface of the wood, or else pull the spike out of the wood, to do either of which would require considerable force; hence, for all usual purposes, the said hook will be firm and immovable when driven into place; but, as an additional precaution, a spur, *e*, may be provided to enter the surface of the wood, as the bracket or hook is driven to place.

We claim as our invention—

The hook or bracket, having a plate, *a*, and spike *c*, the latter being at an inclination downward from the surface of the former, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

Signed by us this 21st day of March, A. D. 1870.

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