

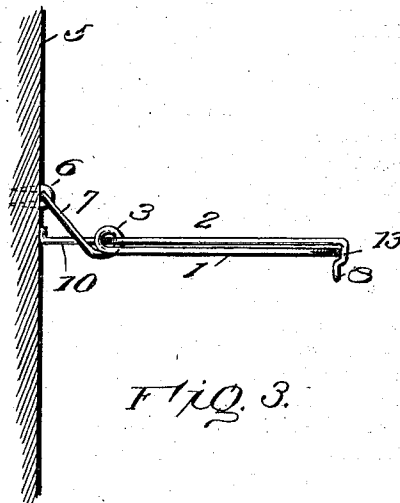
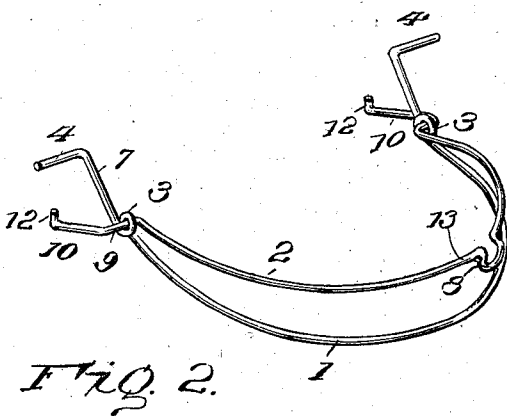
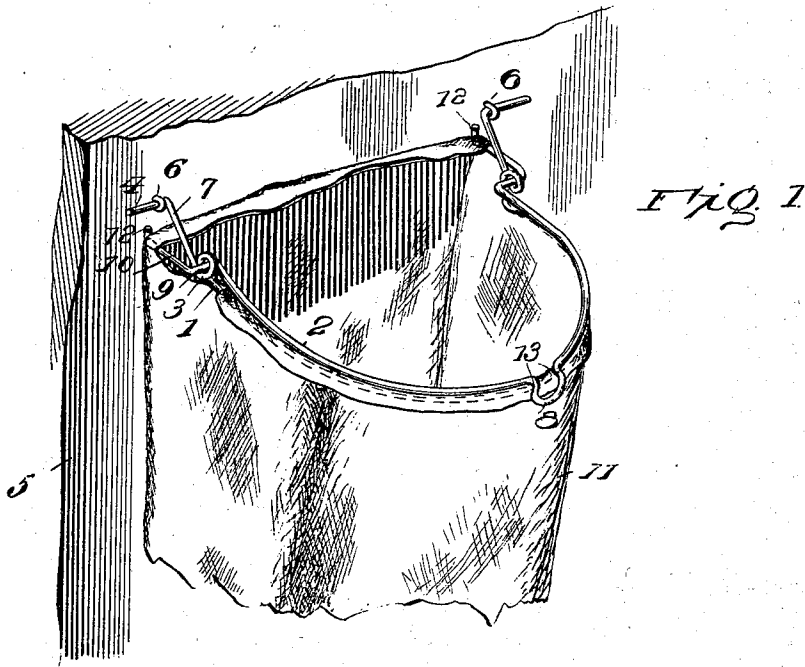
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE E. BROWN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Alaska, in the county of Kent and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders; and I do hereby 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 has for its object to provide novel means for holding a bag or sack in proper position with its mouth expanded to facilitate filling the same with the goods to be sacked.

The primary object of the invention is to devise a device of the character aforesaid which will be light, readily operable, cheap, effective, and capable of being turned aside so as not to be in the way when not required for immediate use.

For a full description of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction of the means for effecting the result reference is to be had to the following description and drawings hereto attached.

While the essential and characteristic features of the invention are susceptible of modification, still the preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the invention applied. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the bag-holder as it appears when not in use and disconnected from any support. Fig. 3 is a side elevation.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The bag-holder comprises, essentially, two parts, a bag-engaging member 1 and a clamp member 2, the two members being pivoted near their rear ends and of approximately corresponding shape. The bag-engaging member 1 is of bow form and is provided near its ends with eyes 3 and terminates in offsetting journals 4, by means of which the holder is pivotally attached to a support 5 by means of staples 6 or analogous means in which the journals 4 obtain a bearing. The

end portions 7 between the eye 3 and journal 4 near each end of the member 1 are inclined to the plane of the bow 1 to admit of the main portion of the holder occupying an approximately horizontal position, as shown most clearly in Fig. 3, this being of advantage, as will be more fully explained hereinafter. The clamp member 2 is provided at its outer end with a catch 8, formed by a crimp or short bend, and its end portions are bent outward, as shown at 9, to obtain a bearing in the eyes 3, thence about at a right angle to form braces 10 to obtain a purchase against the support 5, so as to hold the device in operative position, as shown most clearly in Figs. 1 and 3. The bow 2, journals 9, and braces 10 are about in the same plane, and the braces 10 are of a length proportionate to the length of the inclined arms 7, so as to engage with the surface of the support 5 and hold the device in proper position.

The members of the holder are preferably constructed of spring-wire of proper gage bent into the form substantially as shown. The device may be attached to the side of the wall or other convenient support and is adapted to turn on the journals 4 to admit of folding the holder flat against the support 5, so as to be out of the way when not required for immediate use. When in operative position, the holder projects outward from the support 5 about at a right angle and is maintained in position by the braces 10. The bag or sack 11 to be filled has its outer portion folded over the bag-engaging member 1 and secured thereto by the clamp member 2, the catch 8 engaging over the outer end of the member 1 and holding the two members 1 and 2 together, with the edge portion of the bag 11 clamped therebetween, as shown most clearly in Fig. 1. The rear portion of the bag is engaged over the ends of the braces 10 and is confined between said braces and the support 5, this being clearly shown in Fig. 1. After the bag is filled it is released by disengaging the catch 8 from the member 1 and turning the member 2 upward and at the same time turning the member 1, whereby the bag will disengage itself from the device without requiring further manipulation.

The clamp member 2 has the rear ends of the braces 10 bent up, as shown at 12, to pre-

vent slipping of the bag 11 when fitted thereto. The catch 8 has a short bend 13 near the plane of the member 2 to engage positively with the member 1 to prevent casual separation of the members when the bag is fitted to the holder and clamped between the members thereof.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

10 1. In a bag-holder, a bag-engaging member, a clamp member pivoted directly to the bag-engaging member, the said clamp member having integral extensions in the rear of the pivotal connection for engagement with the rear portion of the bag, and means for securing the two members when the bag is clamped therebetween, substantially as set forth.

2. In a bag-holder, a bag-engaging member, a clamp member having offset parts journaled to the bag-engaging member and having brace extensions in the rear of the offset parts for engagement with the bag and also adapted to hold the device in proper position by means for securing the two members when the bag is clamped therebetween, substantially as specified.

3. In a bag-holder, a bag-engaging member pivoted to a support to fold thereagainst, and a clamp member pivoted to the bag-engaging member to fold therewith and having inde-

pendent pivotal movement to admit of clamping and releasing the bag, and also having integral brace extensions to engage with the aforementioned support to hold the bag-engaging and clamp members in an approximately horizontal position, substantially as set forth.

4. In a bag-holder, a bag-engaging member provided with eyes at its rear ends and inclined arms adapted to pivotally support the device, and a clamp member pivoted to the bag-engaging member and having rear brace extensions for supporting the holder in an approximately horizontal position, substantially as set forth.

5. The herein-described bag-holder comprising a bag-engaging member having eyes near its rear end; and upwardly-inclined arms terminating in journals, a clamp member having a crimp at its outer end to form a catch and having offset journals near its rear end and brace extensions, the journals and clamp member being mounted in the eyes of the bag-engaging member, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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