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FIG. 1.

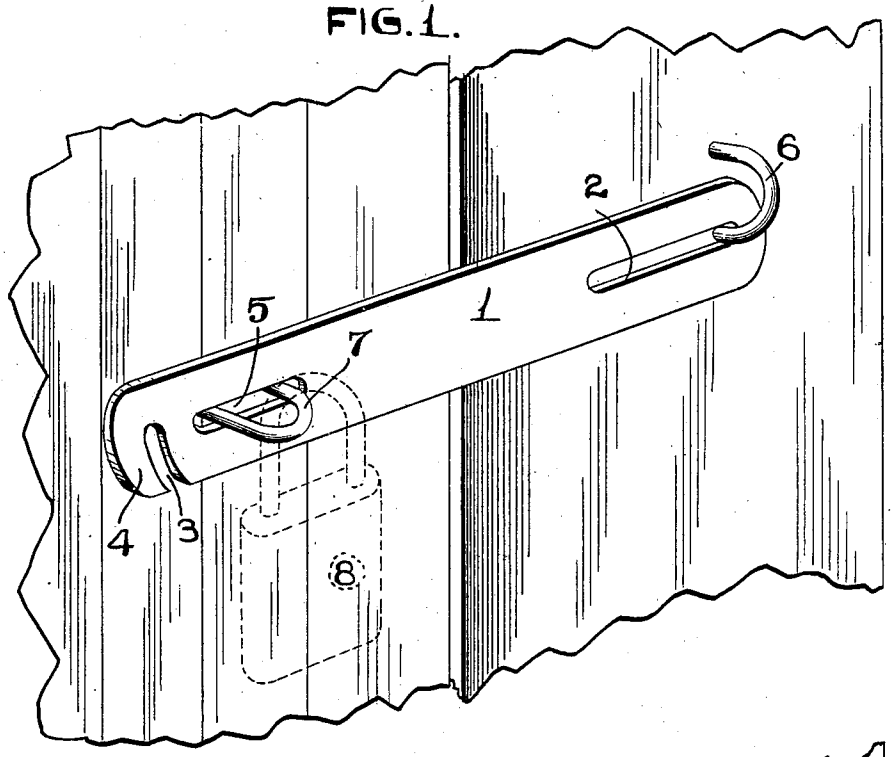
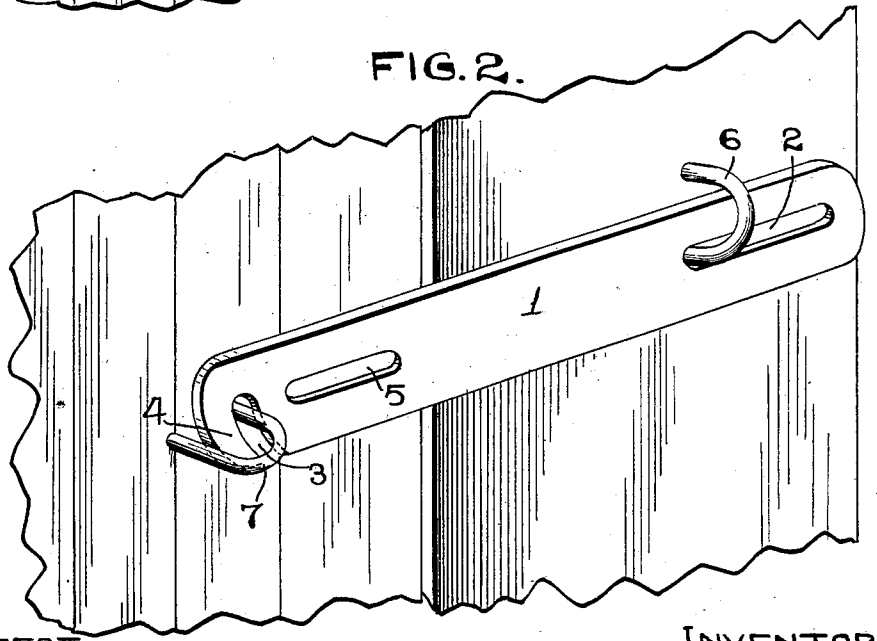


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN P. REILY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of St. Louis, Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hasps, of which the following is a specification containing a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to a hasp, and the object of my invention is to construct a simple, inexpensive device formed of one piece of material, which may be utilized as a hasp, or as an ordinary hook.

To the above purposes, my invention consists of certain novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully set forth, pointed out in my claims, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved hasp in position for use; Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the device in position for use as a hook, or latch.

Referring by numerals to the accompanying drawings:—1 designates the body of the hasp which is constructed of a single piece of suitable material, such as heavy sheet metal, preferably of the same width throughout its length, and provided in its right hand end with a slot 2. Formed in the left hand end of the hasp, and extending upwardly from the bottom thereof, is a vertically disposed slot 3, which is preferably curved, thus forming a hook 4 at the left hand end of the hasp. Adjacent the slot 3 in the left hand portion of the hasp is a slot 5.

6 designates the attaching staple, which is vertically disposed, and the lower prong of which passes through the slot 2.

7 designates the locking staple, which is horizontally disposed, and which is adapted to pass through the slot 5 when the hasp is moved to its limit of movement toward the left, and with the lower prong of the staple 6 in the right hand end of the slot 2. When the hasp is in this position, and a padlock, such as 8, or other suitable locking device is engaged through the outer portion of the staple 7, the device acts as a hasp to lock the door or gate, to which it is attached.

When the device is to be used as a hook or latch, the plate is moved toward the right, or until the lower prong of the staple 6 occupies the left hand end of the slot 2, and, when in this position, the hook 4 is engaged in the staple 7 with one prong thereof engaged in the upper end of the slot 3.

Thus it will be seen how I have constructed a simple device which may be used as a hasp, or latch, and which device may be very cheaply manufactured, as it can be readily stamped with one operation from sheet metal of suitable thickness.

I claim:

As a new article of manufacture, a hasp hook, comprising a plate 1, provided adjacent its ends with the longitudinally alined slots 2 and 5, the latter one of which is of sufficient width to accommodate a horizontally disposed staple, a curved hook 4 integral with one end of the plate, the lower end of which hook is in alinement with the bottom edge of the plate, and which hook is separated from the plate by a curved slot.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification, in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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