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Fig. 2.

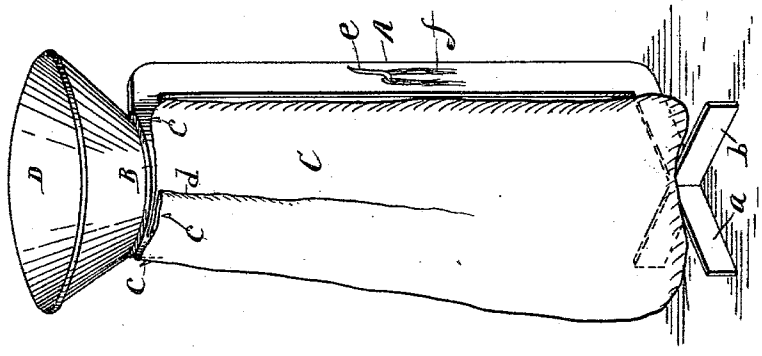


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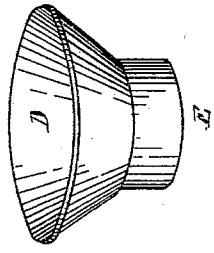


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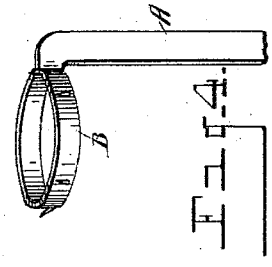
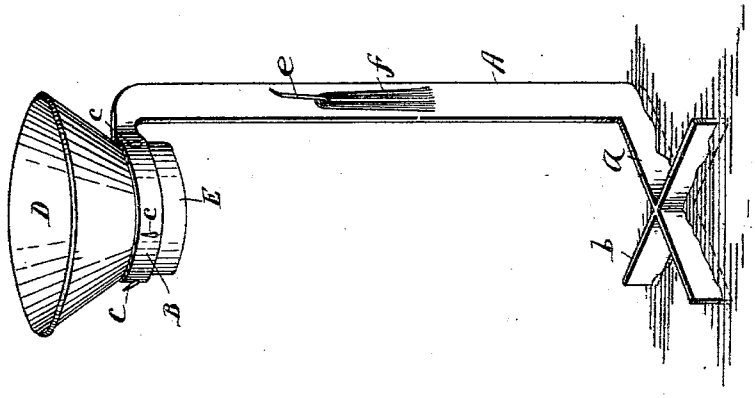


Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK H. BROOKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, in the county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bag-Holders; and I do 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to bag-holders; and it consists in the construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

The objects of the invention are to provide simple and efficient means for holding a bag, so as to facilitate the filling thereof with grain, vegetables, and like articles, in which the arrangement is such as to readily support the bag and retain the mouth thereof widely open, to readily direct into the open mouth of the bag that with which the bag is to be filled, to provide for maintaining in an upright position the standard which supports the bag, so that it may be used where the surface of the ground is uneven, as in a field, and to provide for readily attaching the bag to and detaching it from the supporting-standard. These objects are attained by the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bag-holder showing my invention. Fig. 2 is a like view showing the bag in position thereon to be filled. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the funnel detached. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the top of the standard, showing a supporting-ring from which the funnel is withdrawn.

Referring to the letters of reference, A designates a vertical standard preferably formed of metal and being of the requisite height. Formed integral with the bottom of the standard and projecting at right angles thereto is a base-piece *a*, the sides of which stand vertically, so as to present its narrow edge downward. Crossing this base-piece *a* at right angles is a second piece *b*, which is like piece *a* in formation and also presents its narrow edge downward. These cross-pieces *a* and *b* at the bottom of the standard A serve as a base to maintain said standard in an upright position when resting upon a floor or other hard surface, as shown in Fig. 2, and are adapted to be forced into the ground to find a level, so as to maintain the standard A erect when in use in the field, as shown in Fig. 1.

Projecting from the upper end of the standard A is a bent horizontal portion carrying an integral ring B, which extends horizontally over the cross-pieces of the base and is provided upon its periphery with a series of pins *c*, adapted to engage the mouth of the bag C, which is drawn around said ring B and folded, so that the lap *d* thereof will be secured by one of the pins *c*, as clearly shown in Fig. 2.

D designates a funnel having an annular spout E, which is adapted to pass through the ring B and direct the grain or other substance into the mouth of the sack.

The height of the standard A is such that when the sack is hung upon the pins of the ring B the bottom will rest upon the cross-pieces of the base, so that the weight of the sack and its contents will not be brought entirely upon said pins.

This improved bag-holder is simple and inexpensive, enabling the bag to be readily attached thereto and detached therefrom, while its construction is such that it may be readily moved from place to place, and is especially adapted for use in feed-stores, where the filling of grain-sacks constitutes the greater portion of manual work.

Upon the standard A is a retaining-hook *e*, adapted to hold a number of strings *f*, with which the mouth of the bag is closed after the bag is filled.

Having thus fully set forth my invention, what I claim is—

In a bag-holder, the combination of the vertical standard comprising a flat metallic bar having its lower end bent edgewise at a right angle, forming of said bent portion the base-piece *a* comprising a thin flat bar of considerable width whose sides stand vertically and whose thin edge is presented downwardly, the base-piece *b* also comprising a thin flat bar united to and crossing said base-piece *a* edge-

wise at right angles with its edge presented downwardly, said base-pieces standing with their lower edges in the same horizontal plane, said vertical standard at its upper end having a portion bent horizontally, and an integral ring formed in said bent portion at the upper end of the standard projecting horizontally above said base, said ring having pins adapted to receive and hold the mouth of the bag.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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