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BROOM HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

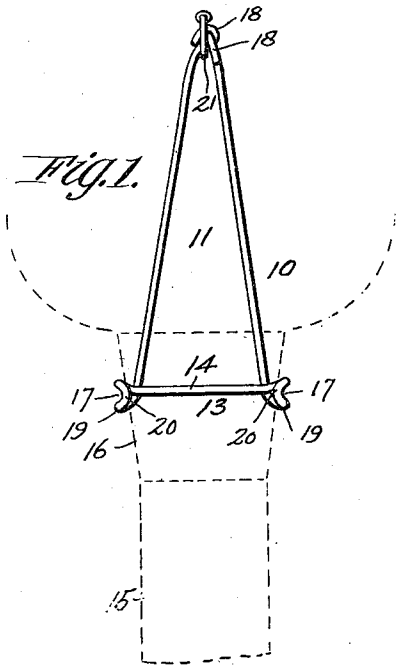


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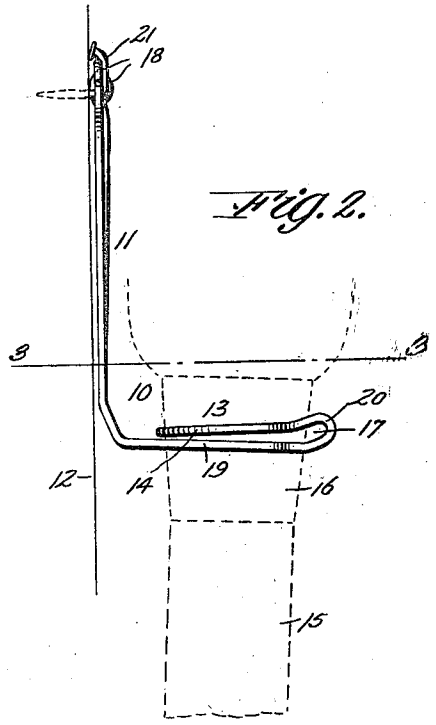
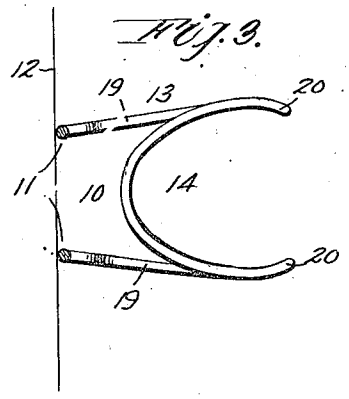


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DEWEY M. VEACH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Point, in the county of Rains and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Broom-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a broom holder and particularly to a holder for suspending the broom by its head in inverted position, the invention being directed primarily to a bracket designed to be secured against a wall, the back of a door or wherever most convenient and formed with means to clasp the handle of a broom immediately below the head and so hold the broom with its head uppermost. By thus supporting the broom in a hanger, its shape is preserved and usefulness extended as the straws composing the broom are relieved of the weight of the broom and so freed from distortion and bending such as is common when the broom, as in ordinary use, is placed in a corner with its head downward.

With this object in view, the invention consists in the novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter described, pointed out in the appended claims and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the broom holder.

Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, and,

Fig. 3 is a top plan view, a portion of the holder being shown in section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

In the drawing, 10 indicates the hanger bracket as a whole and consists of an upright member 11 designed to be secured and held against a vertical wall 12 and a horizontal member 13 of forked construction for sustaining a broom.

The bracket 10 is preferably formed of a single strand of wire bent and folded to the shape desired and connected together at its ends. The wire strand is first bent upon itself at the center of its length to form a loop 14, semi-elliptical or semi-circular in shape as in Fig. 3 and of such size as to permit the handle 15 of a broom to move freely therein, but to cause a rather snug fit when the wire bound portion 16 of the handle enters the loop. The straight portions of the wire strand are then bent backwardly by quick short turns, 17, the two rearwardly extending portions converging and meeting at their ends where they are formed into eyes or loops 18 interengaging each other. The rearwardly extending portions of the strand of wire are preferably below the loop 14 and form straight converging arms 19 which a short distance in rear of the loop 14 are bent upwardly at a right angle to form the upright member 11, the arms 19 and loop 14 forming the horizontal member of the broom holder. The loops 17 project forwardly in the form of fingers and to more securely retain the broom in the loop 14, these fingers 20 are curved toward each other so as to partly embrace the broom handle and are also given an upward turn as in Fig. 2 to prevent the broom from slipping out of the loop.

Constructed as described, the broom hanger is complete and ready for use, it being only necessary to drive a nail or screw 21 into the wall upon which the broom is to be hung and hang thereon the broom holder, the nail passing through the pointed end of the upright member 11 which latter bearing against the wall maintains the horizontal member 13 in position to receive the broom. To prevent swinging movement of the broom holder, the nail or screw 21 may be bent over the loops or eyes 18 as shown, or the nail may be driven through one of the eyes.

A broom holder as described, is simple, cheap, efficient and provides a place for a broom on a wall that is readily accessible and at the same time out of the way of the ordinary movements and avocations in the room where the holder is placed, and by supporting the broom with its head upward, the life of the broom is greatly extended and its shape preserved for a long time.

Having described my invention, I claim:

1. A broom holder comprising a bracket adapted to be secured against a wall, said bracket being formed of wire bent to form a curved loop open at the front and having outwardly extending fingers bent toward each other at their terminal ends and also in an upward direction to retain a broom therebetween, a horizontal supporting member extending rearwardly from each side of the loop, and a vertical suspending member projecting upwardly from the rear end of each horizontal member and being a continuation thereof, said vertical members converging and connected together at their upper ends to engage a hanging means.

2. A broom holder comprising a bracket

formed of a single strand of wire bent at the center of its length into a substantially semi-circular loop, the ends of the wire converging and connected to each other, the loop being then folded rearwardly upon the connected portions of the wire and the latter again bent at a right angle in rear of the loop to form a horizontal extension carrying the loop and an upwardly projecting member by which the holder is suspended, the projecting ends of the loop being further bent toward each other and upwardly.

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

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