

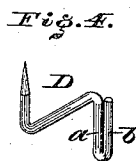
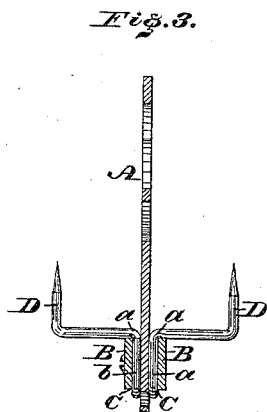
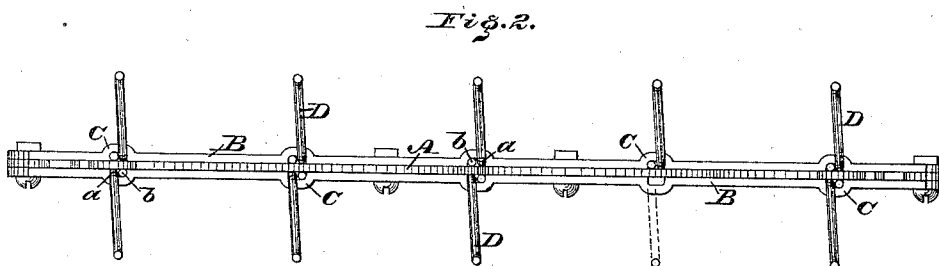
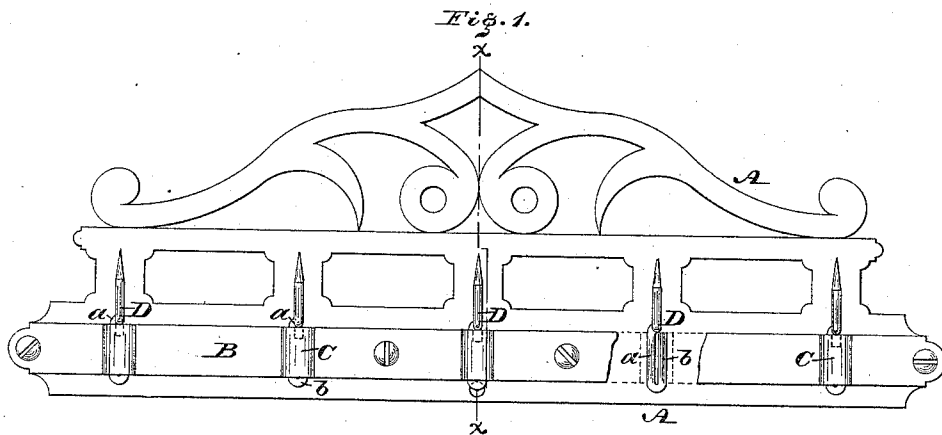
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, WILLIAM HITCHCOCK, Jr., and HENRY A. WINTERNIGHT, both citizens of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper-Bag Holders, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front view, partly broken away, of a paper-bag holder embodying our invention. Fig. 2 represents a top or plan view thereof. Fig. 3 represents a vertical section in line *xx*, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 represents a perspective view of a detached part.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Our invention consists of a novel paper-bag holder, embodying removable hooks, a firm and convenient support for said hooks when in position, and the construction of the hooks, whereby they are prevented from shifting or turning laterally.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a plate or back piece, formed of metal or other suitable material, adapted to be suspended from a ceiling, or otherwise supported within a store or apartment convenient of access near the scales or measures thereof.

B represents a plate of metal or other suitable material, which is formed with ears or bends C at intervals and secured to the piece A, said ears or bends constituting sockets to receive hooks D, which are removable therefrom.

It will be seen that when the hooks are in position paper bags may be readily stuck thereon, and thus nicely supported, so that they can be readily torn off when required, the hooks being firmly sustained, and the piece A and plate B, constituting the frame of the device, being strong, durable, and inexpensive. When the hooks are not required, they may be removed, and for purposes of transportation, &c., wrapped and packed as desired.

In order to prevent the hooks from shifting or turning laterally, we form the shanks or parts which enter the sockets each of two lengths or pieces, *a b*, placed side by side and parallel, thus widening said shank, the sockets

being also widened to accommodate said pieces *a b*, thus preventing rotary motions of the hooks in the sockets. The hooks are made of continuous pieces of wire bent into shape of the hook proper, and a double shank, the same being light, strong, and inexpensive.

The holder has a set of hooks on both sides thereof; but we do not limit ourselves thereto, as it is evident that but one side may be provided with the hooks without departing from our invention, and the number of hooks may be varied.

By notching the upper ends of the walls of the holes or sockets C the horizontal part of the hooks D will drop thereinto, thus preventing lateral motions of the hooks, this being desirable when the double shanks are not employed.

It is evident that other articles than paper bags may be hung on the hooks.

We are aware that it is not new to bend various materials and inclose between the folds thereof the shank of a hook, and so retain the same in position; neither is it new to form a hook of a single piece of wire, and such we do not claim.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A holder consisting of a back piece, A, and a strip or plate, B, secured thereto, and having bends C, forming sockets, in combination with hooks removably fitted in said sockets, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A holder consisting of a back piece, A, a plate having bends C, forming sockets, in combination with hooks having double shanks fitted to said sockets, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. A holder having a socket, in combination with a hook provided with a double shank, the two parts thereof being parallel, or nearly so, with each other, and formed of a single wire, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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