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Hat-Holding Attachments for Chairs.

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Fig. 1.

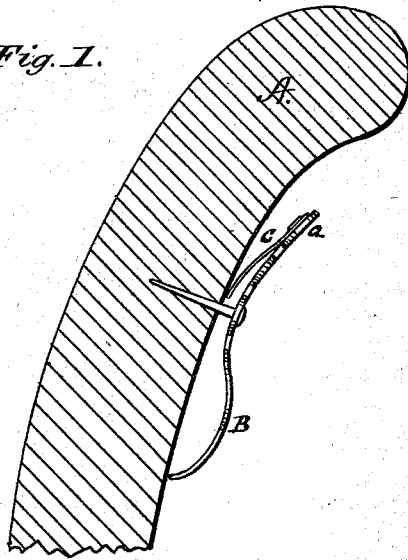


Fig. 2.

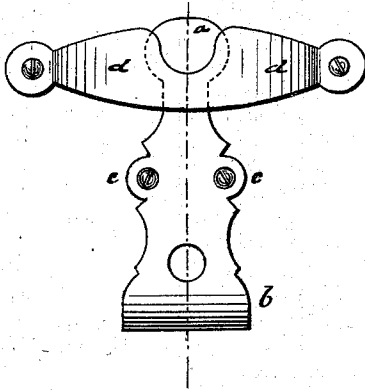
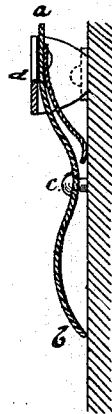


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HAT-HOLDING ATTACHMENTS FOR CHAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY C. BOWERS, of the city of Washington and District of Columbia, have invented a new and Improved Hat-Holding Attachment for Chairs, Benches, &c., in theaters, churches, railroad-cars, and like places; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation, in section, of my device without the band *d*. Fig. 2 is a front elevation, showing band-protector. Fig. 3 is a vertical section.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap and easily-applied hat-holding device for use in theaters, churches, railroad-cars, &c.; and it consists in a metal or other suitable strip, bent into a proper shape, and having holes in it to attach it, and provided beneath its handle with a spring, which bears against the chair or seat to which the holder is attached, and depresses the holding end of the device, and a band to cover the end of the device, all of which is more fully hereinafter described.

In the said drawings, letter *A* represents the back of a theater-chair. A piece of metal or other suitable material, *B*, is bent substantially

as shown, the lowest part, *b*, of the depression being provided with holes *c c* to attach it to the chair. Beneath the handle *a* I secure, by a rivet, one end of a spring, *C*, (see Fig. 2,) and have it so bent that the other end bears against the chair-back and presses up the handle, consequently depressing the end *b*, which clasps the hat-rim against the chair.

This device I intend shall be attached to the backs of each seat, so that the occupant of each succeeding seat can, by depressing the end *a* and inserting the rim of his hat under the end *b* of the holder in front of him, have his hat retained thereunder until he desires to release it.

Across the handle I fit the band *d*, to prevent objects dropping or catching behind the handle.

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

A hat-holder consisting of the piece *B*, spring *C*, and band *d*, in combination with, and attached directly to, the seat *A*, as set forth.

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