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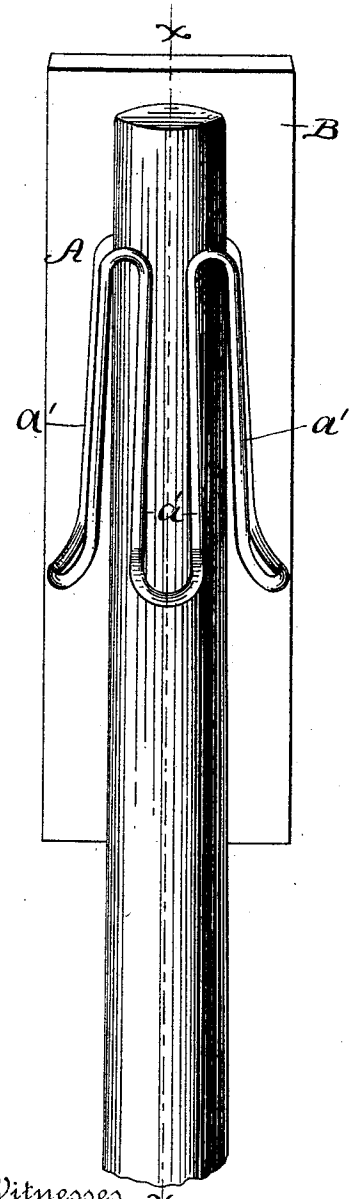
Fig. 1.



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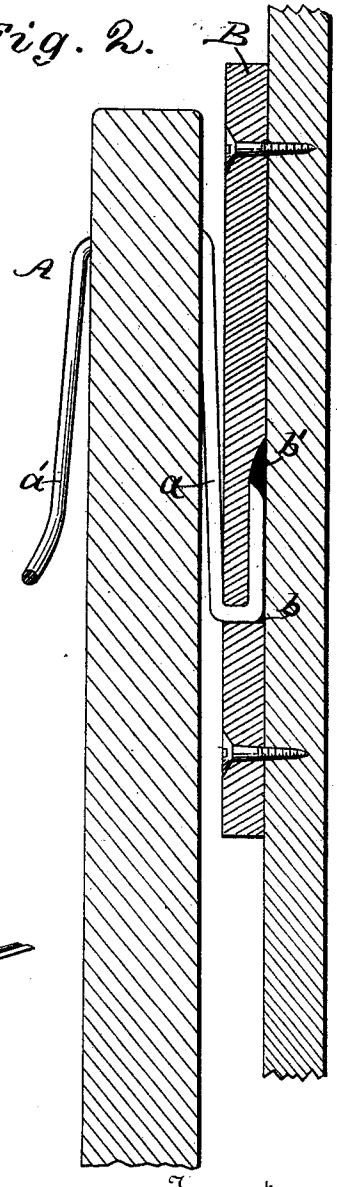

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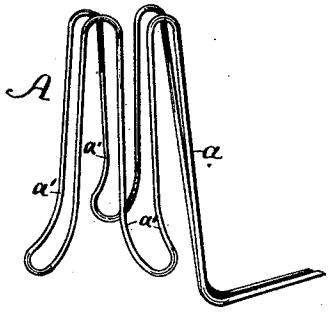

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HORACE D. JONES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Germany, in the county of Pike and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Holders for Brooms and other Like Articles; 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 and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to devices made from flexible wire, and its object is to form an inverted socket for the reception of brooms, stable-forks, and other straight-handled articles of domestic utility, in order to hold such articles in their proper places of deposit by means of their handles when not in actual use.

In the accompanying drawings, wherein like letters represent like parts, Figure 1 is a front perspective view of my holder in use; Fig. 2, a section view on the line *x x* of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 a detached perspective of the holder.

A is a length of flexible wire bent into the particular form shown in the drawings, so as to make a socket having a straight back *a*, with three clasps *a'*, flared at what will be their lower ends when the piece is inverted. The two prolonged ends of the straight back are bent outwardly, as shown, and may be used to attach the socket to a backing of wood, metal, or other suitable material, for the purpose of attaching the holder to the wall of a structure or other substantially-vertical support; or, if desired, the two ends of the straight back may be bent into loops and attached by screws or bolts to the desired support, or they may be twisted and screwed into such support.

One convenient method of attaching the holder to its desired support is to fasten it to a backing in the manner shown in Fig. 2, wherein the back piece B is provided with an orifice *b*, for the passage of the bent ends of the straight back, which are then again bent and countersunk into a recess *b'*, formed in the reverse side of the back piece. The back piece is then fastened to the support by screws, nails, bolts, or in any other and convenient manner.

The size of wire and socket for any holder will be determined by the use to which it is to be put, it being only necessary to select wire of the proper strength and flexibility.

The holder being attached to a wall or vertical support at a proper distance above the floor or ground line, with the mouth of the socket downward, the article to be held is inserted by its handle into the socket, and will then be dependent from said holder and securely held by the pressure of the three flexible wall-pieces of the socket upon such handle.

Having thus sufficiently described my invention, what I claim is as follows:

A new article of manufacture consisting in a single length of flexible wire bent into the particular shape herein figured and described, so as to form an inverted socket A, having a straight back *a* and three clasps *a'*, said clasps being flared at their lower ends, the whole constructed and arranged for the purpose of receiving and securely holding any straight-handled implement, as hereinbefore set forth.

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

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