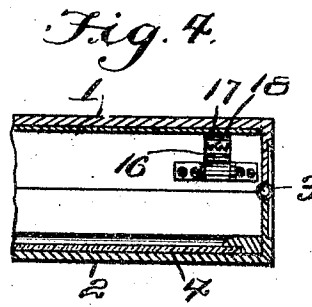
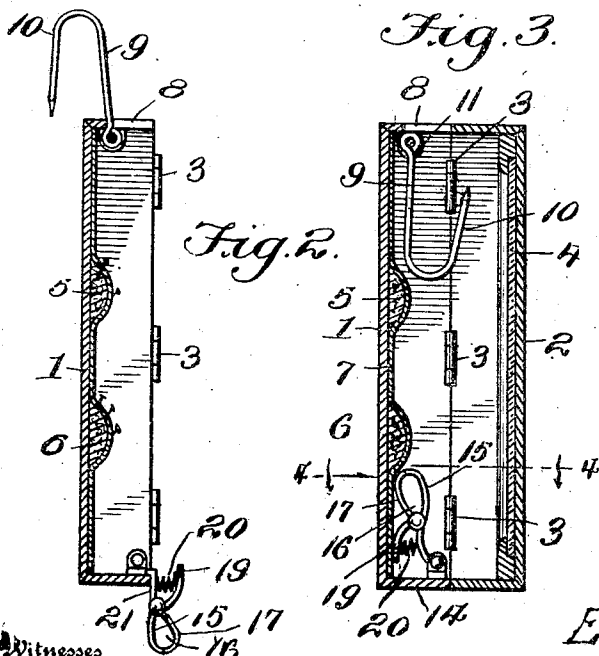
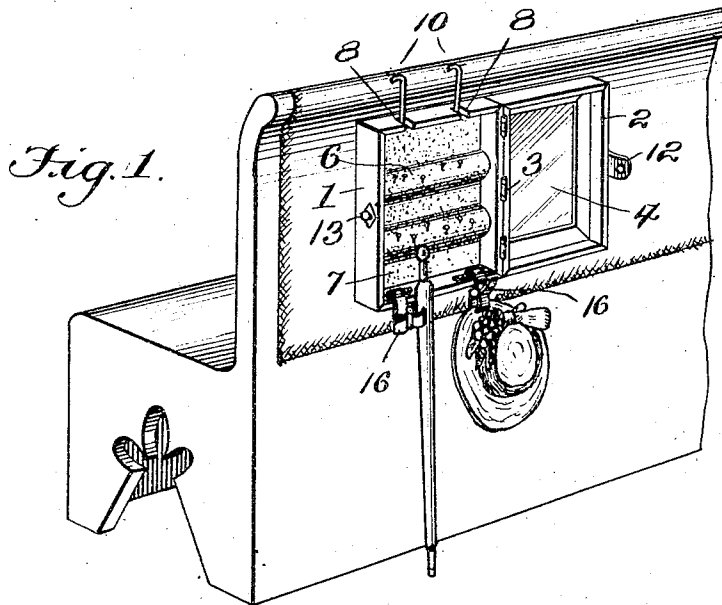


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EVA C. LEONARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Thompson, in the county of Susquehanna and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Umbrella, Hat, or Like Supports, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to umbrella, hat or like supports, and has for an object to provide a device of this character which will ordinarily present the appearance of a receptacle, the said receptacle consisting of hingedly connected sections one of which being provided with suspension hooks or retaining elements whereby the device can be supported in a novel and simple manner on the back of a bench, chair or similar article of furniture.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a device of this character with supporting hooks and umbrella and hat supporting clasps arranged to be folded into the receptacle when not in use, and to provide one section of the herein described receptacle with a pincushion or the like and the other section with a mirror.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent as the nature of the invention is better set forth, and it will be understood that changes within the scope of the claim may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawing, forming a portion of this specification and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device showing its application to a bench. Fig. 2 is a vertical section through a portion of the device. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the sections of the device in their folded positions. Fig. 4 is a detail horizontal section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Referring now more particularly to the drawing, there is shown an umbrella, hat or similar support consisting broadly of a receptacle comprising sections 1 and 2 which are hingedly connected to each other as shown at 3, the section 2 having mounted therein at any suitable point a mirror 4. The section 1 is provided at suitably spaced points with cushion elements 5 and 6 which are covered by suitable material 7 secured in any suitable manner to the back of the section 1 of said receptacle. The just de-

scribed means provides a novel form of cushion in which may be arranged a plurality of pins adapted to be utilized by one sitting behind the device. The section 1 is provided at the top thereof with a plurality of horizontally disposed slots 8 through which the shanks 9 of hooks or similar retaining elements 10 are adapted to be disposed. The hooks or retaining elements are provided with eye portions which receive pintles or the like confined between ears 11 which depend from the top of the said section 1 at points adjacent to the slots 8. This construction is such that when the hooks are not in use they can be made to assume positions within the receptacle. As clearly illustrated in Fig. 1 the section 2 of the receptacle carries a spring clasp 12 adapted to be engaged with a locking pin 13 upon the section 1.

The bottom 14 of the section 1 has pivoted thereto jaw members 15 of umbrella, hat or the like supporting clasps or fastening devices 16. Each jaw 15 has pivoted thereto a jaw 17, the jaws 15 and 17 being provided with co-engaging toothed edge portions 18. The jaw 17 of each clasp just described carries a finger manipulating portion 19 with which and with a portion of the jaw 15 is engaged a spring 20 whereby the jaws 15 and 17 are normally engaged with each other.

In use, the device can be applied in an obvious manner to the back of a bench or chair and one sitting behind the device can operate the same so that the sections 1 and 2 can assume the positions shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing. In this manner the user has full access to the section 1 and can obtain a full view of himself or herself in the mirror 4 in the section 2. The pivotally mounted clasps 16 may be swung downwardly to assume the vertical positions and are adapted to receive an umbrella as shown or the said clasps may be engaged with a hat or with other articles of apparel to be supported. It may be stated that the shanks 21 of the jaws 15, when the clasps are swung downwardly in the position shown in Fig. 2 rest against the front edge of the bottom wall of the section 1 and in this manner the article to be supported is held sufficiently spaced from the back of the chair or bench as will be readily understood. The device just described will be found extremely simple and useful in view of the fact that it is detach-

ably connected to the bench or chair and can be folded so that its parts will lie in a compact manner.

I claim:—

- 5 In an article of the class described, a receptacle formed from hingedly connected sections, pivoted supporting hooks carried by the receptacle and adapted to be folded to assume a position within the receptacle,
10 and pivoted clamps mounted upon the bottom of one section and adapted to be moved to assume positions whereby they will extend downwardly from the bottom of the section

with which they are engaged, said clasps when moved to their operative positions having their innermost jaws engaged with the outer edge of the bottom wall of the section with which the clasps are engaged to limit swinging movement in one direction of said clasps. 15 20

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

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