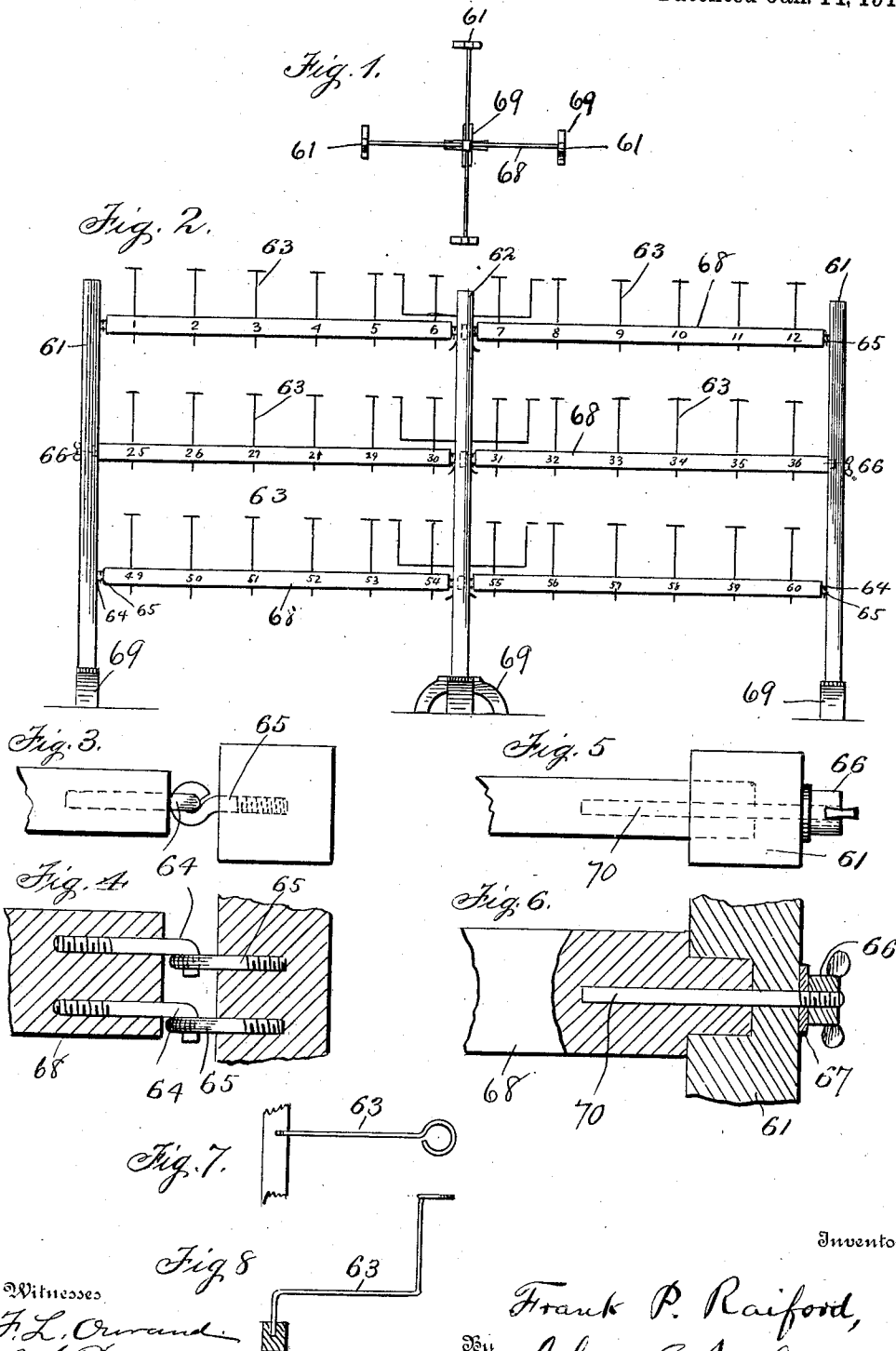


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK P. RAIFORD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Atlanta, in the county of Fulton and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Racks, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to hat racks, and the like; and has for its object to so construct the same that it may be easily and cheaply manufactured, may be easily dismantled; and will occupy a very small space when in its dismantled or disconnected condition, so that it may be shipped or stored with little trouble.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like symbols of reference represent corresponding parts in the several views: Figure 1 is a plan view of the device; Fig. 2 is a sectional side elevation; Fig. 3 a plan view of the connecting mechanism for the upper and lower horizontal bars; Fig. 4 a sectional side view of the connecting mechanism; Fig. 5 a detail view of the connecting and locking bar with the thumb-nut for the same; Fig. 6 a sectional view of the locking bar; Fig. 7 a detail plan of one of the hat holders; and, Fig. 8 a side view of the same.

61 are the vertical supporting posts or standards; 62 the central supporting post; and 63 the hat holders, which are supported in sockets formed in the horizontal rods 68. These hat holders are usually numbered, as shown, running from one to sixty, or any other number desired, corresponding to the checks used.

69 are the foot-rests or supports for the upright posts, the foot-block of the center post being preferably a double foot-block, as shown. The foot-blocks are mortised and tenoned as usual in such devices.

64 are hooks screwed into the horizontal rods, they being preferably in duplicate to more evenly secure and sustain the same;

and 65 are screw-eyes into which the hooks engage. These hooks and screw-eyes are used only for the upper and lower horizontal rods.

66 are thumb-nuts; and 70 bolts to receive the same.

67 is a washer between the thumb-nut and the vertical rods. The horizontal rod in this case is tenoned and is received in a mortise in the vertical rods, as shown.

The hat holders are preferably made detachable from the horizontal bars; and they may, if desired, have their ends squared or otherwise shaped to prevent them from rotating.

The operation of the device will be apparent from the foregoing. When it is desired to dismantle it, the thumb-nuts are unscrewed, and the bars unhooked, and if desired, the hat holders may also be removed. The device is then in condition for shipment or storage. It is easily connected and set-up by the mechanism above referred to, and it is not thought necessary to go into the matter at greater length.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

A hat rack, consisting of a series of vertical supporting rods, a central rod having screw-eyes connected to the same, horizontal rods carrying hooks to engage the screw-eyes, a mortise formed in one of the outer rods to receive the end of a horizontal rod, a screw-bolt connected to the end of said horizontal rod and passing through the outer rod, and a thumb-nut adapted to be received on the screw-bolt and lock the parts.

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

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