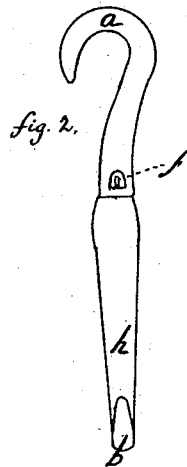
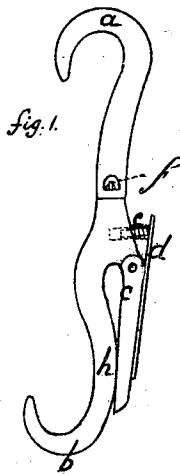


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IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTHES AND HAT-HOOKS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REUBEN W. RANDALL, of Biddeford, in the county of York and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Clothes and Hat-Hook; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of my invention.

Figure 2, an edge view of the same.

Same letters show like parts.

The general purpose of my invention is to produce a hook, either portable or fixed, to which may be suspended a hat, a coat, and other articles of clothing, as hereinafter more particularly described.

The construction of the device is as follows:

First, the hook *a*, whose use is to connect the device to any place or thing, like a projection, or nail, or molding on a wall of an apartment.

Second, the hook *b*, spring clamp *c*, springs *d e*, which are used in combination to hold suspended the desired articles.

Third, the joint or connection *f*, to unite the two hooks, and also to allow them to turn or swivel on the said connection or pin, so that the hook *a* may be with greater convenience attached to or connected with any kind of a projection, as hereinafter more particularly illustrated.

From *b* any desired article of clothing can be suspended as ordinarily done.

c is more particularly designed to hold suspended a hat, by clamping the rim of the same between *c* and *h*.

In traveling in cars and other conveyance inconvenience is felt in keeping silk hats from becoming roughened by contact and rubbing. Racks are provided in cars, but these are only a partial protection.

When the hat is attached to some projection the rim of the hat is inserted between *c* and *h*, and then the whole lower part can be turned on the pin *f* in such way as to keep the hat from contact with anything, and a garment attached to *b* will further protect it.

The pivot or swivel *f* can be made in any convenient way.

c is connected to *h* by the pin *i*, and kept pressed down on the same at the lower end by the springs *e d*.

Instead of the hook *a*, a screw or a point may be employed to attach the device permanently. It is evident that the hook can be made portable, to be attached and used upon occasion.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination and arrangement of the hooks *a* and *b*, pivot *f*, spring clamp *c*, and spring *e*, as herein described and for the purposes set forth.

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