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EAVES TROUGH HANGER.

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Fig. 1.

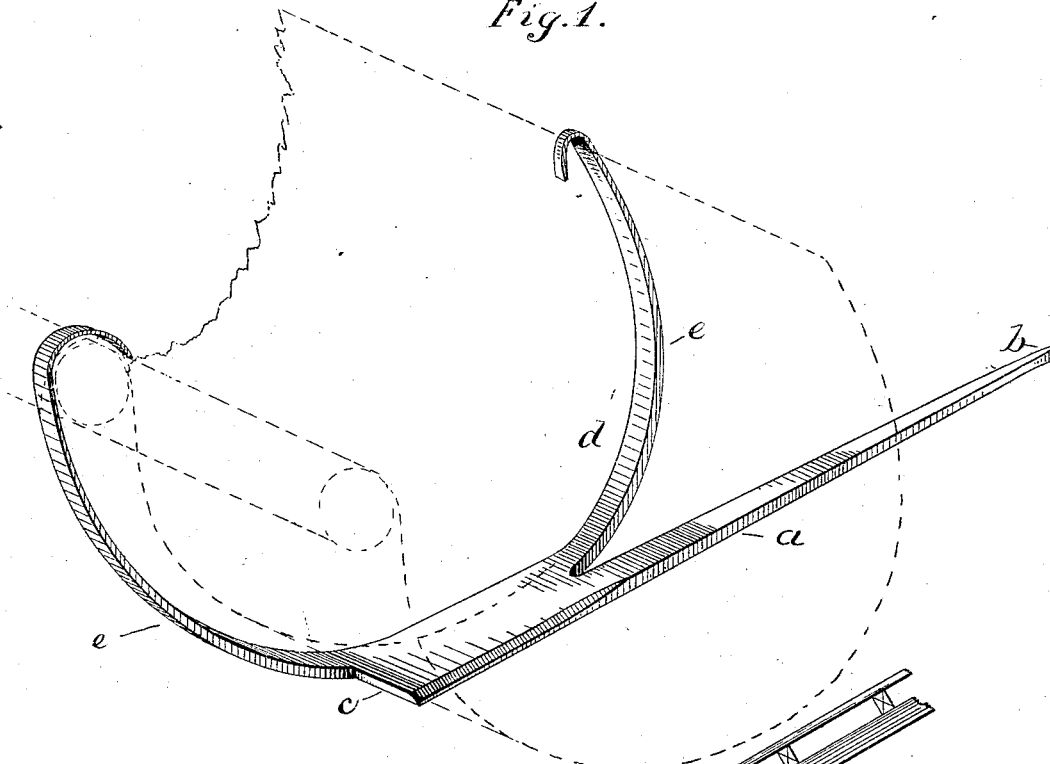
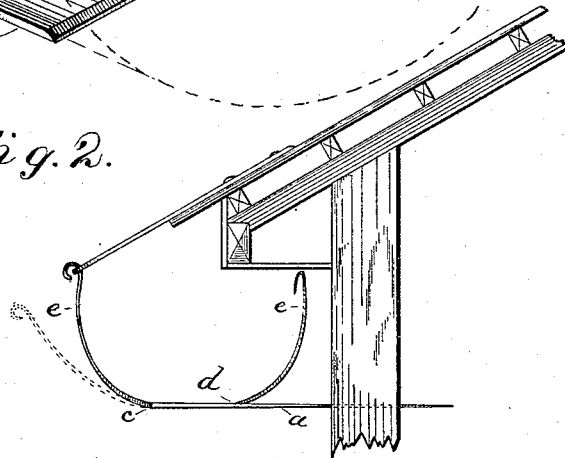


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSHUA DRAPER, Jr., of Oxford, in the county of Calhoun and State of Alabama, have invented a new and Improved Eaves-Trough Hanger; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved eaves-trough hanger, and Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same as applied to a building.

My invention relates to improvements in hangers for supporting eaves-troughs; and it consists of an eaves-trough hanger composed of a clasp with a hook on each side adapted to be bent over the edges of the trough, and a flat tapering spike made in one piece with the lower part of the clasp and in the same horizontal plane therewith, to afford a broad bearing for the trough, the spike being provided with a shoulder or head, by means of which it may be driven into the wall of a building, as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, *a* represents a flat spike, tapering toward its point *b*, and provided with a head or shoulder, *c*, by means of which it may be driven into the timber of the wall without danger of splitting it.

d represents a nearly circular clasp open at top, and provided with a hook, *e*, on each side, adapted to embrace the eaves-trough. The lower part of the clasp *d* is but slightly curved, and is formed in one piece with the spike *a*, and the upper faces of the spike and the lower part of the clasp *d* between the hooks are flush

with each other, so as to afford a broad bearing or support for the trough.

In practice the hangers are driven into the wall at the desired intervals, the outer hook *e* not interfering with the driving of the spike by reason of the position of its head *c*. The outer hook is then bent outwardly for the introduction of the trough between the hooks of the hanger, the base of the trough resting on the flat top of the spike and base of the clamp flush therewith. The outer hook is then bent back to its normal position, embracing the trough. The upper ends of the hooks *e* are made sufficiently long to project above the upper edges of the trough, and are bent over thereon, so as to firmly secure the hooks to the trough.

If it is desired to employ a metallic strap from the outside point over the gutter to the roof, the upper end of the outer hanger may be curved out, forming a ring, the outer end of the strap being secured thereto, and its inner end to the roof.

What I claim as my invention is—

The eaves-trough hanger herein described, consisting of the flat spike *a*, tapering toward its point *b*, and provided with the head *c* and clasp *d*, formed all in one piece with the spike, and having its upper face flush therewith, and provided with circular side hooks, *e*, adapted to be bent over the upper edges of the eaves-trough, substantially as described.

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