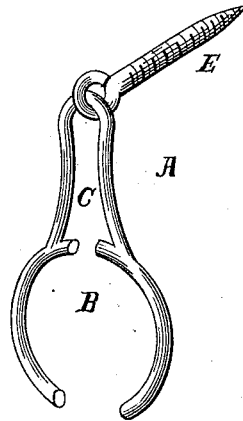


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL L. BLIGH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Custards, in the county of Crawford and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Broom-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable other skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and in which is shown a perspective view of my improved broom-holder; and it consists in the improved construction and combination of parts of the same, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawing, the letter A indicates the holder, which consists of a ring, B, open at diametrically-opposite sides, forming two semicircular arms, and provided with a shank or loop, C, at one of the open sides, having its legs secured to said arms at each side of the opening, to which shank the supporting means are secured.

The holder may be secured to the wall, a frame, or any other support by means of a hook or screw eye, E, hooked into the shank or loop C. The loop-shaped shank possesses a certain amount of elasticity or spring, so that a broom-handle of a larger diameter than the diameter of the ring may be inserted between the arms, the elastic shank allowing these arms to be spread apart sufficiently to admit a handle of a considerably greater diameter than

the normal diameter of the ring. The ends of the halves of the ring are cut off square and facing each other, forming sharp corners, which will afford a firm grip upon the two sides of a broom-handle, or upon any other round article inserted between them, and it may be manufactured out of malleable metal cast or stamped, as well as it may also be made out of wire of sufficient strength.

The holders may be suspended from a wall or stand by means of a cord or chain or by any other means, and it will be seen that the holder may be used as a support for brooms, canes, umbrellas, whips, or any other objects having round handles.

I am aware that it is not new to make broom-holders of suspended hooks having rounded ends or blunt corners, and I do not claim such construction, broadly; but

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

A broom-holder consisting of a loop-shaped shank having a semicircular arm at each end, the ends of said arms being at a distance from each other and facing each other, and cut off square, so as to form sharp corners, and means for pivotally securing the end of said shank to the wall or other support.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

SAMUEL L. BLIGH.

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