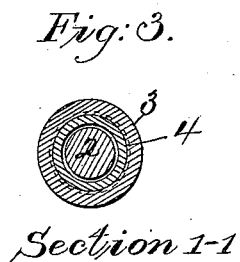
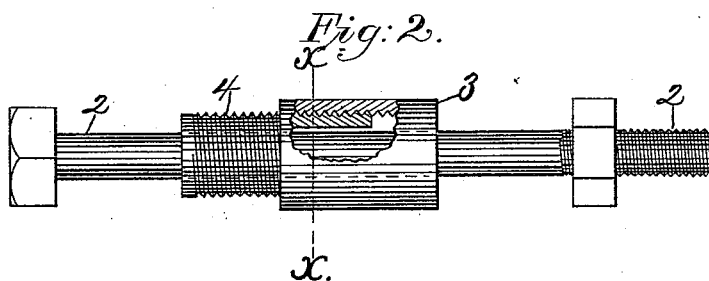
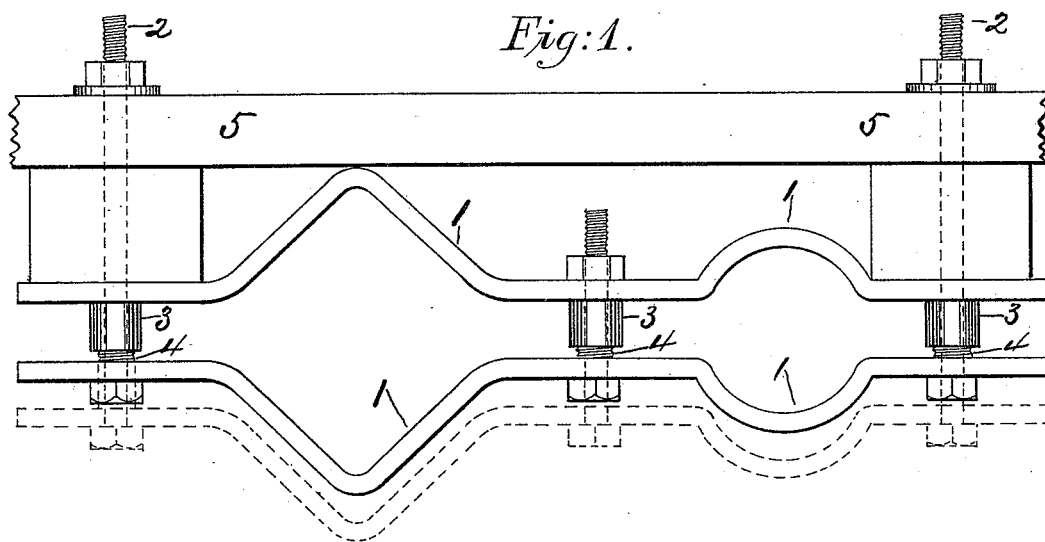


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THEOBALD MATHEW HACKETT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Albany, in the county of Albany and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Stake-Holders; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an adjustable stake-pocket for wagon-stakes, and other purposes.

Similar figures refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows my stake-pocket in full operative construction, showing it to be attached to the side of a wagon ready to receive a stake, one opening being for a square end and the other for a round stake, and showing the frame of the pocket to be adjustable by means of male and female threaded sleeves interposed between the sections of the frame-work, the holding-bolt passing through the outer section of the frame, through the two sleeves, through the inner section of the frame-work, and through a block and the side of a wagon-box or other object to which it may be attached. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the holding-bolt and the male and female sleeves, showing the holding-bolt passing through two sleeves, the larger or female sleeve being internally threaded, and the male sleeve externally threaded and arranged to mesh with the threads in the female sleeve, and showing the holding-bolt freely passing through both sleeves. Fig. 3 is a cross-section of Fig. 2, taken on line X X of that figure.

The numeral 1 shows the frame-work of the stake-holder; 2, the holding-bolt; 3, the female sleeve, and 4 the male sleeve interposed between the sections of the frame-work; 5, section of a wagon-box or other article to which the stake-pocket may be attached.

The dotted lines show position of outer section when the device is extended to receive a larger stake.

A full description thereof and of its operation is as follows: The frame-work of the device is made having bends of any desired configuration, the frame-work preferably being in two separate parts or sections, as shown at 1 1, and when adjusted for use lie practically parallel. At each side of the opening or openings preferably I make corresponding openings through the frame-work for the reception of the holding-bolt. Between the sections and in line with the said openings I place a male and female threaded sleeve, and pass the holding-bolt through the outer section, through both sleeves, the inner section, and through the object to which the stake-holder is to be attached, and turn a nut upon the end of the holding-bolt and draw the bolt up tight.

The operation is as follows: When the stake-holder is attached as described and shown, it is adjustable, so as to receive a small or large stake or one of any configuration in the following manner: If a small stake is used, the holding-nut on the bolt 2 is loosened, and the male sleeve 4 is turned with the sleeve 3 until it lies entirely within it. The nut on bolt 2 being now turned up tight, the openings in the device to receive the stake are then reduced in size to the utmost. If a larger stake is desired to be used, the nut on bolt 2 is loosened, the male sleeve 4 is turned out of the sleeve 3 as far as desired, and the nut on bolt 2 is turned tight, leaving the openings in the device to hold the stake of the desired area.

The device may be used with benefit in those cases where two stakes are desired to be spliced or extended or where it is desired to support a crane or upright piece by attaching it to a stake or pole, in which cases one stake is clasped by one opening of the device and the other stake, crane or upright piece, and the openings are adjusted to the different sizes of the pieces to be held.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim is—

A device for holding stakes and analogous articles, consisting of practically parallel frames having a portion of their frames extended to form a pocket or opening to receive  
5 a stake, and having male and female sleeves interposed between said parallel frames, said sleeves being adjustable lengthwise, substantially as described.

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

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