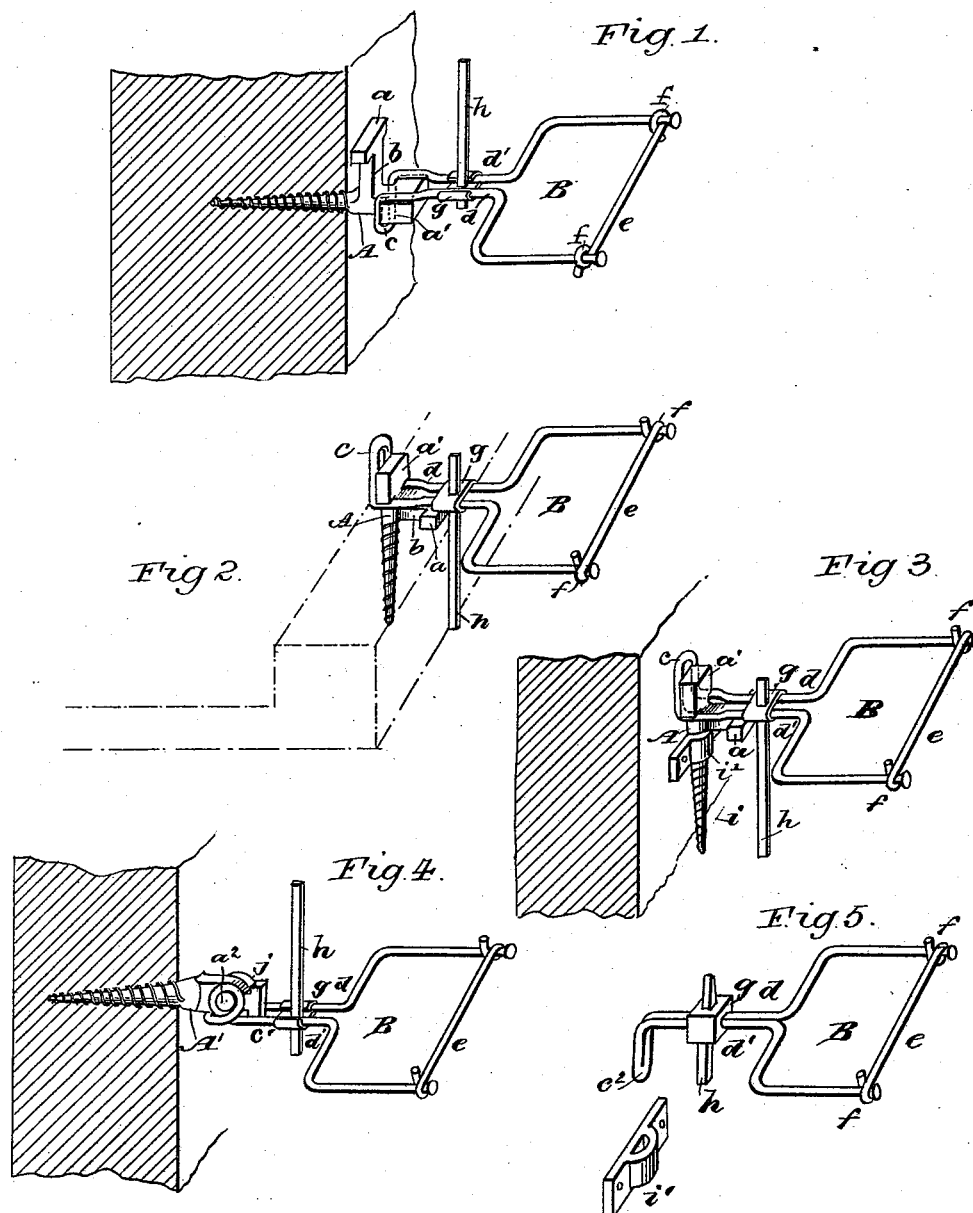


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS MERRY, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Bag-Holder, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the annexed drawings, forming a part thereof, in which—

Figures 1, 2 and 3 are perspective views of my improved bag holder, showing it applied to different supports; and Figs. 4 and 5 are modified forms of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple and efficient device for holding bags while they are being filled.

My invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims.

The support of my improved bag holder consists of a screw A, adapted to be inserted in wood and provided with two T-shaped heads a, a' , one formed on the end of the screw, and the other upon an arm b , projecting laterally at right angles from the screw near the head a' .

The bag holder is formed of a rod of iron or steel doubled to form a loop c , which is bent at right angles, as shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3, the said loop being received on the body of the screw, with the parallel arms d, d' projecting over the T-shaped head a , as shown in Fig. 1, or extending underneath the head a' , as shown in Fig. 2, or resting upon the T-shaped head a , as shown in Fig. 3. The parallel arms d, d' are bent outwardly at right angles, and again bent at right angles to form a fork, the two arms of which are parallel with each other. The outer ends of the arms of the fork are upset or enlarged, and the arms are connected by a rod e , having eyes f , formed on opposite ends, which receive the said arms, thus forming a frame B, for receiving the mouth of the bag. The parallel arms in this case are clamped by a slide g , in which is inserted a rod h . The said rod h is designed to serve as a support for the frame B in which the mouth of the bag is received when the holder is supported in the manner shown in Fig. 4, that is to say, with the arm b extending downwardly behind a support, such for

example, as the sideboard of a wagon box, a fence or a similar support. In this case the rod h forms a brace for holding the frame B in a horizontal position.

In the form shown in Fig. 3, the screw is inserted in a nut i , provided with perforated flanges by means of which it is secured to a suitable support. In the modification shown in Fig. 4, the screw A' is furnished with lugs a^2 , projecting from opposite sides, and the loop c' is bent to form two eyes j , for receiving the lugs. The end of the loop c' bears upon the under surface of the screw A' , and the lugs a^2 form the fulcrum of the holder. In other respects the holder is like that already described.

In the modification shown in Fig. 5, the loop c^2 is bent downward at right angles, and a socket v' is provided for receiving the loop, the said socket being made for attachment to a wall or other support. In other respects this form of holder is like those already described.

In the forms shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4, the frame B may be readily folded up against the wall where it will be out of the way when not in use, and all the forms, including that shown in Fig. 5, may be removed from their supports when not in use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent,—

1. A bag holder, formed of a wire doubled or returned upon itself forming a loop with each arm of the loop offset or bent twice at right angles, the arms of the loop being connected at the free end with a looped wire, and means for supporting the wire loop, substantially as specified.

2. A bag holder, formed of a wire doubled or returned upon itself forming a loop, the arms of which are bent laterally at right angles to the plane of the loop, then bent forward at right angles, forming two arms parallel with each other, the curved or looped end of the wire being bent at right angles to the plane of the loop to receive the supporting screw, a wire connecting the two arms of the loop at their free ends, and a screw provided with one or more T-shaped heads adapted to engage the angled end of the loop, substantially as specified.

3. A bag holder, formed of a wire doubled

or returned upon itself, forming a loop the
arms of which are bent laterally at right an-
gles to the plane of the loop, then bent for-
ward at right angles, forming two arms par-
5 allel with each other, the curved or looped
end of the wire being bent at right angles to
the plane of the loop to receive the support-
ing screw, a wire connecting the two arms of
the loop at their free ends, a screw provided
10 with one or more T-shaped heads adapted to
engage the angled end of the loop, a clasp or

slide placed on the narrower portion of the
loop, and a bag-supporting rod inserted in the
slide, substantially as specified.

4. A bag holder, formed of a metal loop pro- 15
vided with a shank, and a holder constructed
to receive the shank, substantially as speci-
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