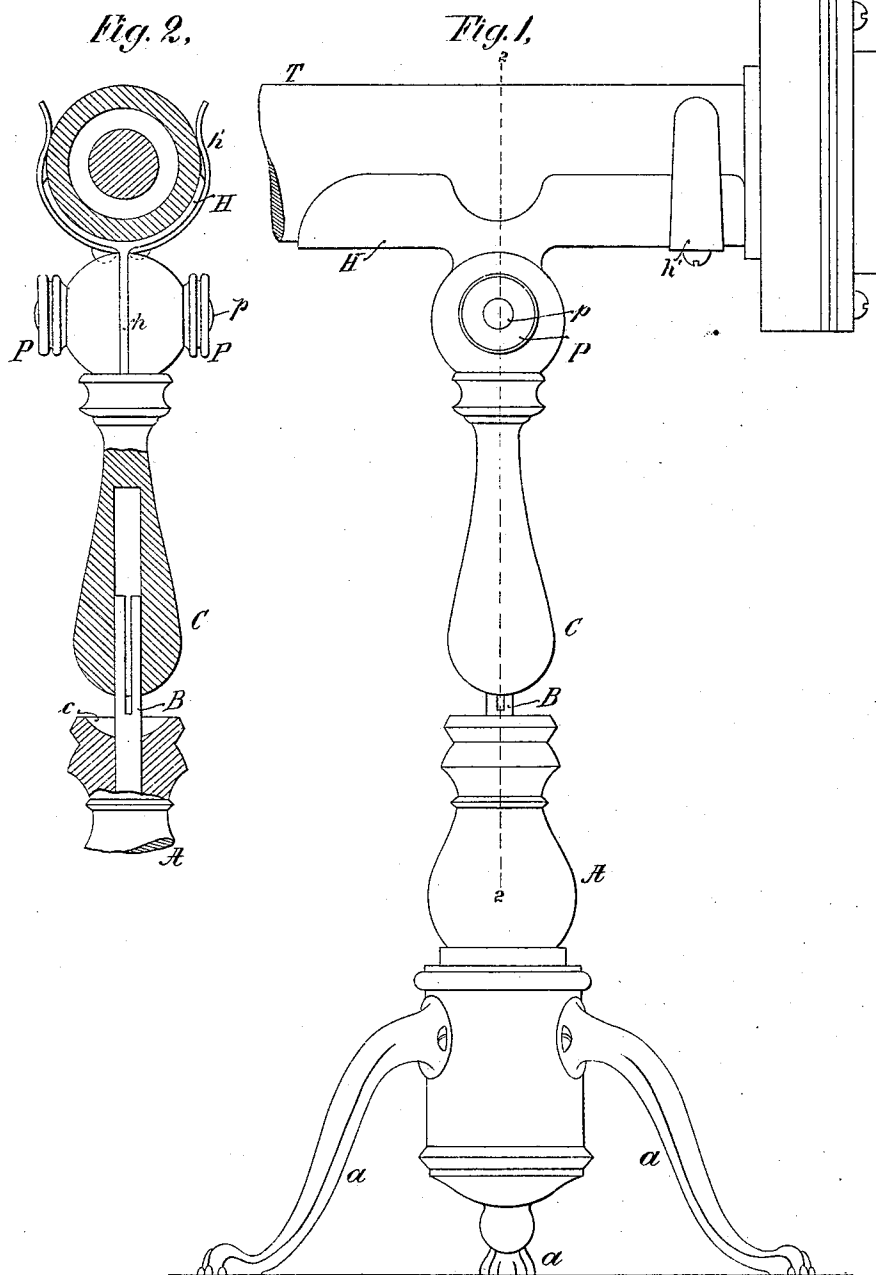


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. CHEEVER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Telephone-Supports, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an adjustable holder, stand, or support for either a transmitting or receiving telephone. Its objects are to prevent fatigue of the operator by supporting the telephone mechanically in a convenient and comfortable position, to hold it securely in its support, to enable this position to be varied at pleasure either in a vertical or horizontal plane or in an angular relation to its support, and to enable the operator readily to remove the telephone from its support or to replace it therein.

My invention consists in a novel organization of old instrumentalities, comprising a base, standard, or support, which may either be made movable or be secured in any desired position, a holder for the telephone, mechanism connecting said holder with its support in such manner as to permit of its being adjusted and held in any desired position as to horizontal deflection or angular inclination relatively to the horizon, and a spring-clamp for securing the telephone in its holder, while permitting it readily to be removed or replaced.

The accompanying drawings represent a practically efficient organization of instrumentalities for carrying out the objects of my invention. The details of construction of the apparatus, however, may be varied in various well-known ways without departing from the spirit of my invention.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a view in elevation of my improved telephone-support; Fig. 2, a vertical central section through a portion thereof on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1.

An ordinary Bell hand-telephone is shown as mounted on a portable stand or support, consisting of a base, A, resting on suitable

legs, *a*. A pin, B, is inserted in the base. A tubular standard, C, fits over this pin, on which it is capable of sliding longitudinally as well as rotating, being held at any desired height and in any desired angular position by the springing apart of the upper end of the pin B, which is slit for this purpose. A socket, *c*, in the base A receives the lower end of the standard C, which is rounded to fit it so as to be firmly supported by the base when resting upon it.

A trough-shaped socket, holder, or support, H, is shown as provided with a lug, *h*, rocking vertically in a slot in the standard C on a pivot-pin, *p*, provided with jam-nuts P, which serve to clamp the holder in any desired position or angular relation to the standard. A telephone, T, is secured in this socket or holder by means of spring-clamp *h'*, of well-known construction, which embraces the handle of the telephone when placed in the holder.

By this mode of construction the telephone can be securely held, be raised or lowered relatively to the base, be turned horizontally, and be tipped on the axis of the clamping or holding device to the desired inclination, and fastened in that position, thus affording all the necessary adjustments, and can also be readily removed from or replaced in the holder.

I do not broadly claim herein a telephone-support vertically or horizontally adjustable relatively to its base.

I claim as of my own invention—

The combination, substantially as herein set forth, of the standard, the holder pivoted thereon, mechanism to secure the two in any desired position relatively to each other, and the spring-clamps on the holder to hold the telephone securely and yet permit it readily to be removed or replaced.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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