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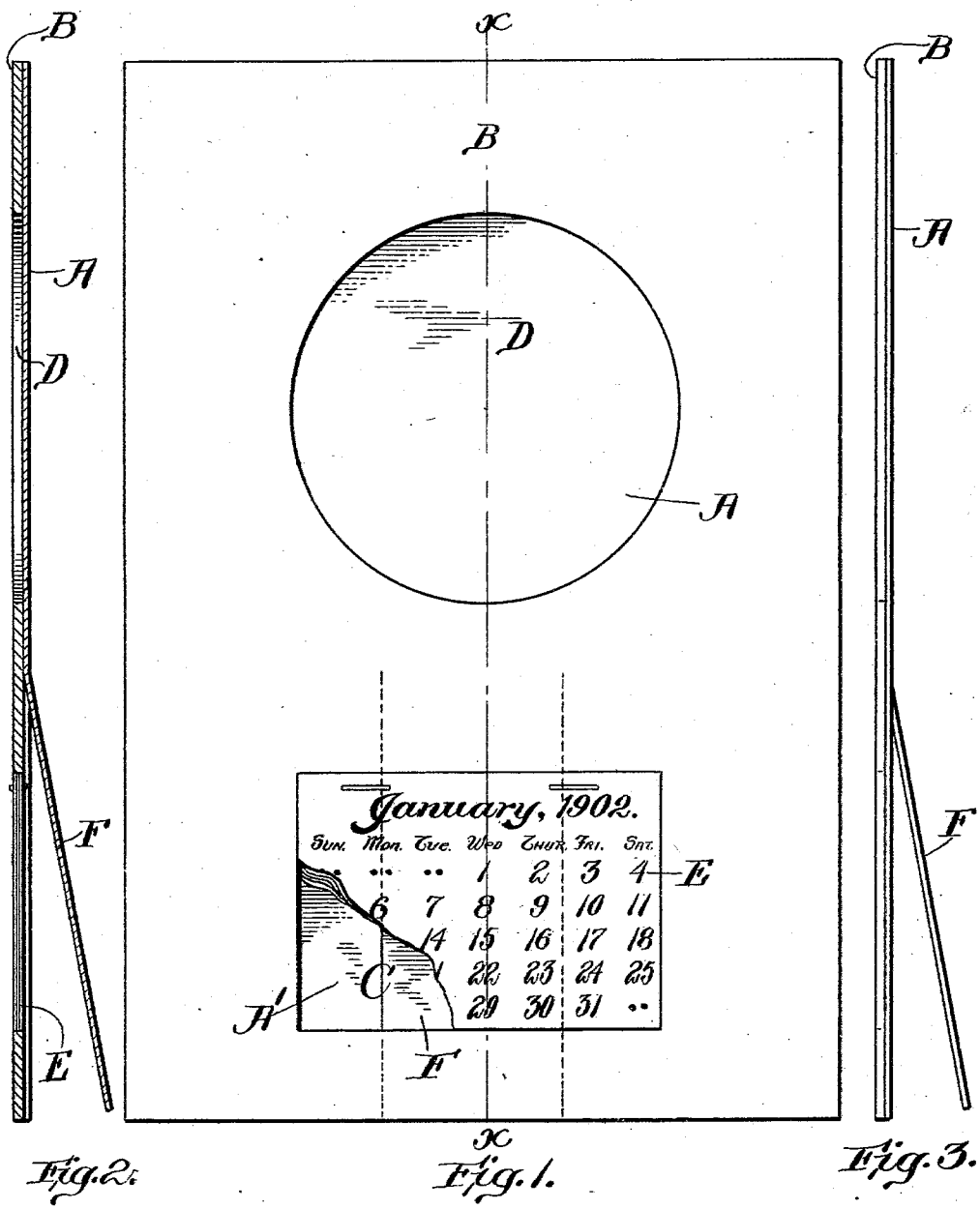


Fig. 2. Fig. 1. Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK E. HOUSH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Winthrop, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Frames and Calendars, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to frames for calendars and to the mounting of calendars therein; and its object is to provide a frame and calendar for ornamental, advertising, or like purposes, wherein the calendar shall be inlaid in the surface of the frame or mount, presenting a smooth or flush surface. By this construction the frame and calendar present a neat and compact appearance, and the likelihood of the leaves of the calendar to curl, crumple, or flap outwardly, which is inherent in all calendars in which the leaves are mounted upon the surface of a card and therefore project from it, is greatly reduced.

In the accompanying drawings, illustrating an embodiment of my invention, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my frame and calendar, a part of the calendar being broken or torn away. Fig. 2 is a vertical section through the line *x x* of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the frame, the supporting-leg being shown in open or operative position in both Figs. 2 and 3.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts in all the figures.

A is a backing for the frame, composed of cardboard, paper, or other suitable material. The backing A may be of any desired shape or size, but I have shown it rectangular.

B is a mat, also of cardboard or other suitable material, mounted on the backing A and secured thereto, from which are cut an aperture C for receiving a calendar and an aperture D, within which may be displayed a picture, advertising device, or inscription of whatever nature desired. The position or arrangement of the apertures and the number of the exhibit-apertures D may be varied to suit the artistic or utilitarian requirements of the use to which the device is to be put.

E is a calendar of usual construction and is shown as having a series of leaves bound together, having one leaf for each month.

The thickness of the mat B should correspond to the thickness of the calendar E. The aperture C is of such size that the calendar E fits snugly therein, substantially filling the aperture, and the calendar being of substantially the same thickness as the mat B the two are flush and the front surface of the device even and smooth. In the lower part of the backing A two longitudinal slits are cut to form the supporting-leg F by which the frame may be stood upon a table or the like, easel fashion. The slits are formed sufficiently close together to leave a rim A′ on either side projecting beyond the sides of the aperture C, to which the calendar may be secured. If the frame is to be suspended or used otherwise than as a self-supporting device, the leg F may be omitted. It is also obvious that the supporting-leg may be made of a separate piece instead of integral with the backing and cut therefrom; but I prefer the construction above described, as it is more economical of both labor and material.

My frame and inlaid calendar are adapted to a great variety of ornamental and advertising purposes, and my calendar being inlaid, and therefore flush with the face of the frame, possesses marked qualities of durability and neatness of appearance.

I claim as my invention—

1. The combination of a backing, a mat mounted thereon and provided with an aperture, and a pad of separately-removable leaves secured together at one side only, closely fitting said aperture and inlaid in the mat with the face of the pad flush with the face of the mat.

2. A frame and inlaid calendar, comprising a backing of cardboard or the like, a mat mounted thereon having an exhibiting-aperture and a calendar-receiving aperture therein, the one located above the other, a hinged supporting-leg for the frame formed from the backing by two longitudinal slits, the portion of the backing on either side of said leg projecting beyond the sides of the lower aperture of the mat forming thereby a securing-rim, and a calendar inserted within and substantially filling the calendar-receiving aperture, the face of the calendar being substantially flush with the face of the mat, substantially as described.

Signed by me at Boston, Massachusetts, this 21st day of June, 1902.

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