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Fig. 1.

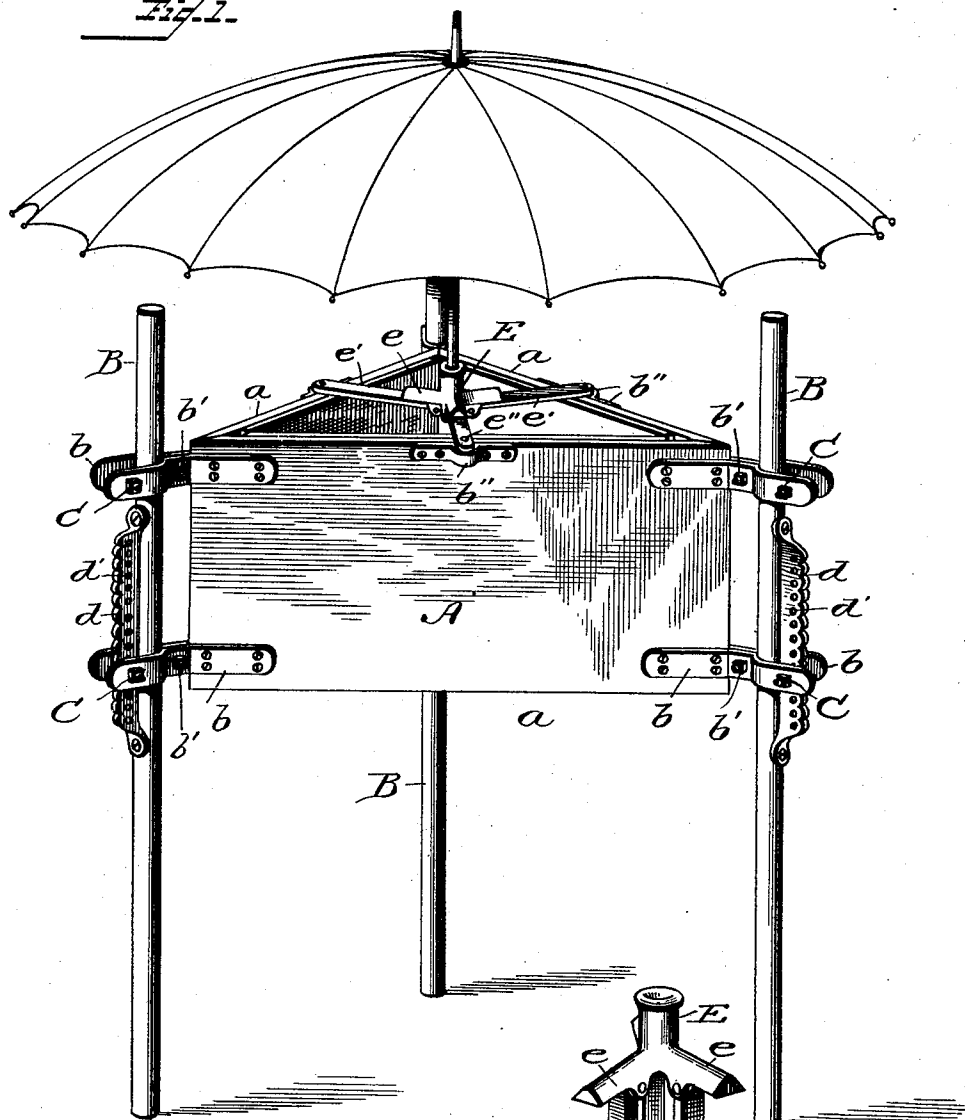


Fig. 2.

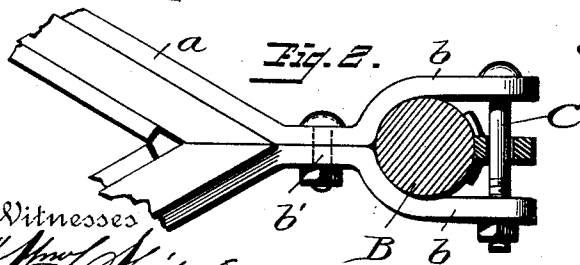
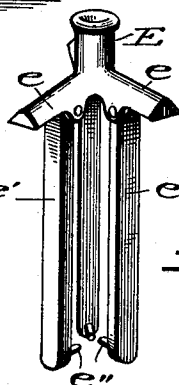


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM Q. PREWITT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lexington, in the county of Fayette and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Portable Mirrors; and I do hereby 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.

The primary object of my invention is to provide a device for the amusement and edification of visitors at the World's Fair to be held in the city of Chicago in 1893; but the use of my device will of course be equally beneficial and instructive to others.

The device consists, mainly, of a reflector composed of three or more mirrors arranged together in the form of a hollow prism with their faces inward and supported above the floor or ground, so that a person may readily get into the inclosure and perceive many and various reflections of himself.

My invention consists in certain details of construction incident to the structure thus briefly described, all of which will be herein-after fully set forth and particularly claimed.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of an apparatus constructed in accordance with my invention in position for use; Fig. 2, a top plan view, on a larger scale, of one of the corners of the device; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the umbrella-support folded.

Like letters of reference in the different figures indicate corresponding parts.

A represents the reflector-frame, which, in the instance shown, is made up of three separable mirrors *a a a*, arranged together in the form of a hollow prism. The mirrors *a a a* are provided at their meeting edges with arms or brackets *b*, through which bolts *b'* are passed and secured to hold the parts together. The brackets *b* are so formed that when the mirrors are placed together they form a socket for the reception of legs *B*, which are held in place by means of bolts *c*, passing through the ends of the brackets and holes *d'* in strips *d*, secured on the legs.

The umbrella-support consists of a socketed piece *E*, having formed at its lower end radial

arms *e*, to the under side of which are pivoted bars *e'*, provided with pins *e''*. The radial arms *e* are of such length that when spread out horizontally they extend to the sides of the mirror and are there supported by the engagement of the pins *e''* with blocks *b''*, secured on the mirrors. The umbrella-stick is supported in the socketed piece *E*, as indicated by the drawings.

From the foregoing it will be seen that I have produced a device which may be used with great satisfaction by those desiring to see more of themselves, and to those desiring to make self-examination of their phrenological or physiognomical characteristics my instrument will be found very helpful; but in addition to these more serious uses it will afford endless amusement and gratification to the public generally. It is also obvious that my apparatus may be put together and taken apart with great facility and dispatch, and by reason of the separability of its parts they may be packed into a form convenient for transportation or storage, and that it may be adjusted vertically upon its support, so as to adapt it to persons of different heights.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A knockdown or portable reflector comprising separable mirrors adapted to be arranged in the form of a prism with their reflecting-surfaces inward, brackets or clips attached to their edges for securing the mirrors together and constructed to form sockets for supporting-posts, substantially as described.

2. A knockdown or portable reflector comprising separable mirrors adapted to be arranged in the form of a prism with their reflecting-surfaces inward, brackets or clips attached to their edges for securing the mirrors together and constructed to form sockets for supporting-posts, and the posts, the said posts and clips being apertured to receive a bolt or pin, substantially as described.

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

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