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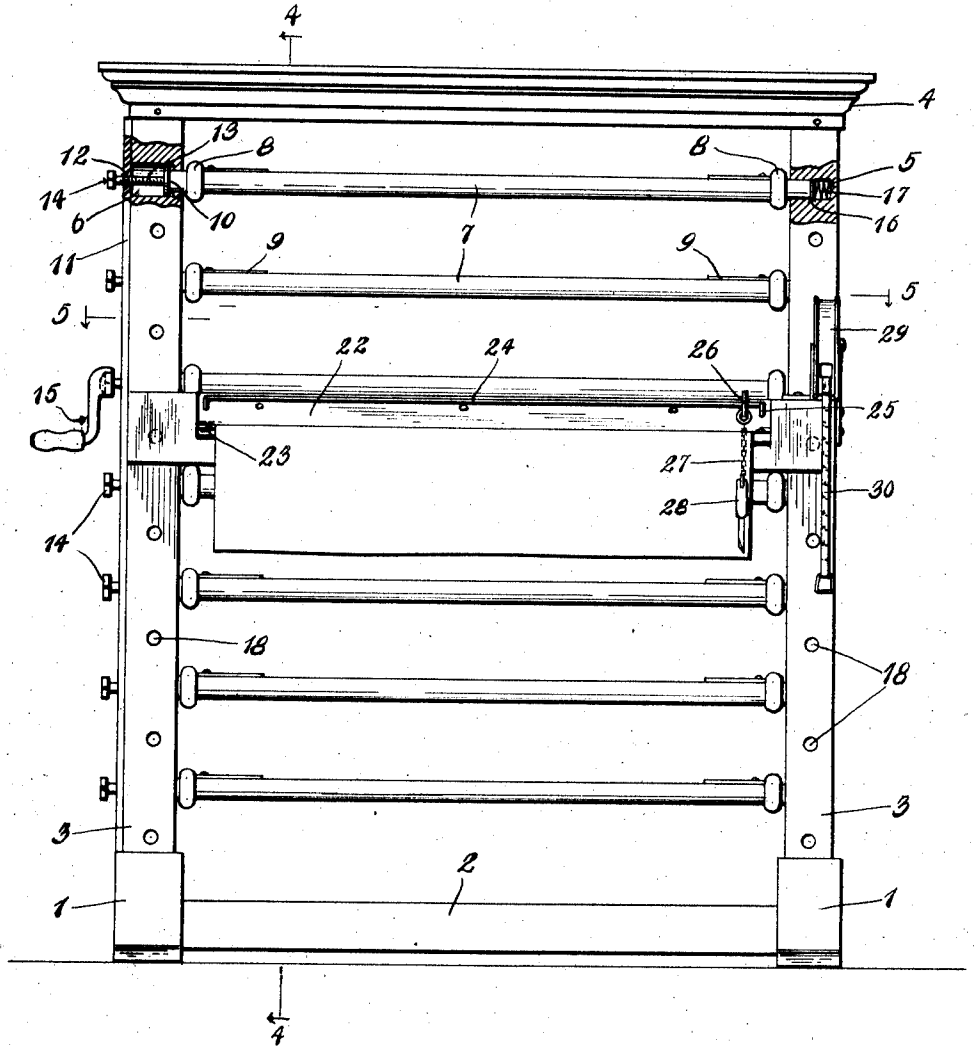
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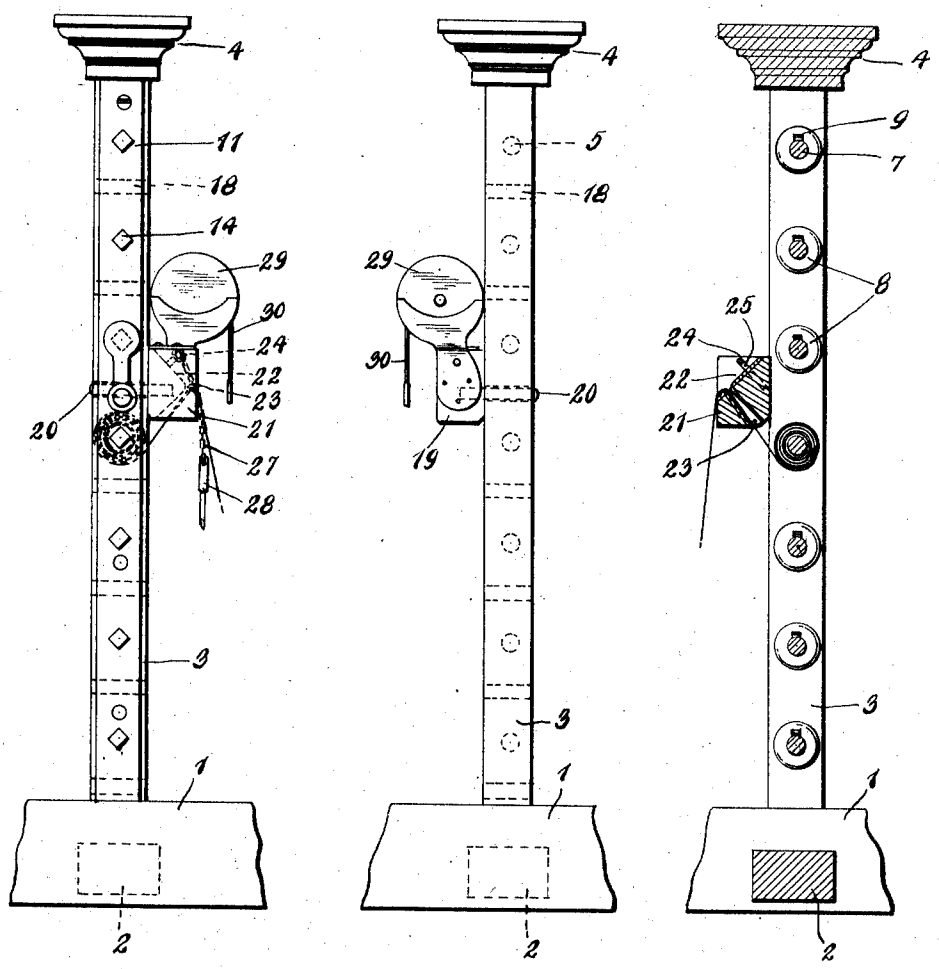
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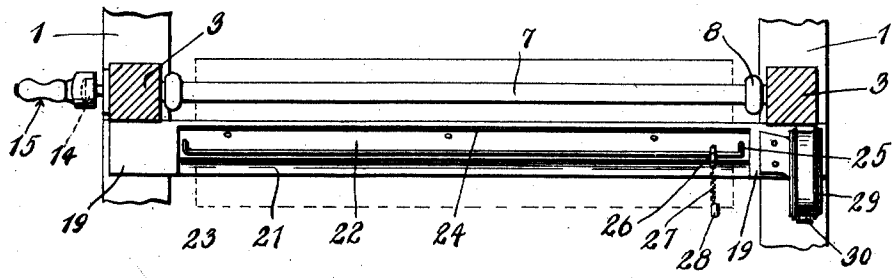


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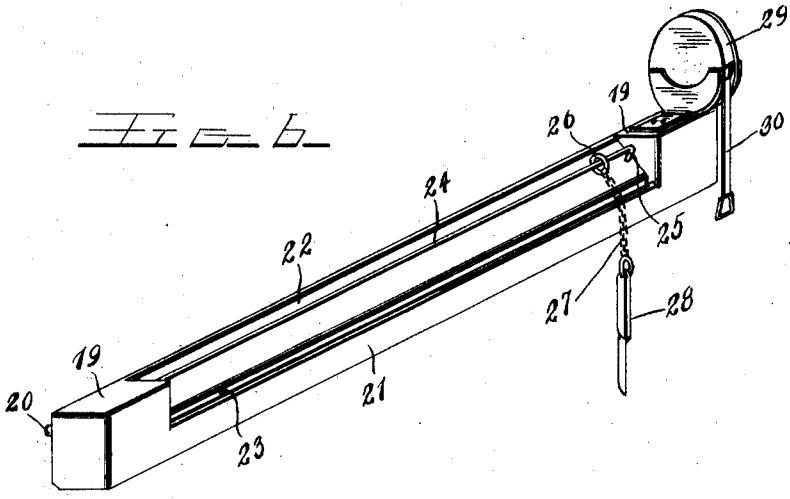
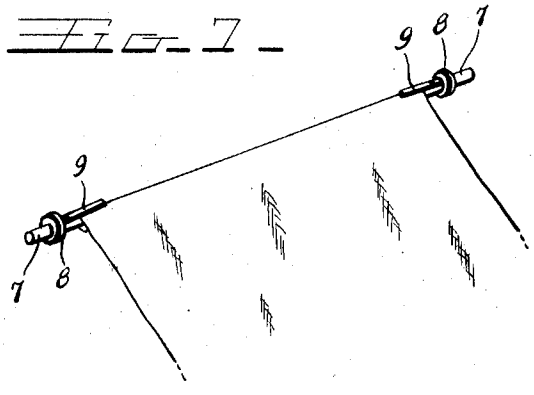


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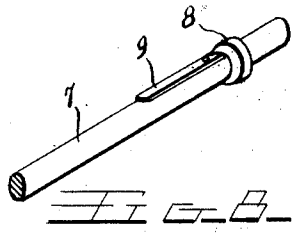


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT LEET, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bixby, in the county of Tulsa and State of Oklahoma, have invented new and useful Improvements in Display-Racks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to a combined, measuring and dispensing rack for fabrics.

An object is to provide a display rack for bolts of fabrics with a removable and adjustable measuring device which can be brought opposite any of the bolts of fabric to receive the fabric therethrough, whereby the said fabric may be readily unwound from its roller, measured and thereafter cut.

The foregoing and other objects which will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, may be accomplished by a construction, combination and operative arrangement of parts, such as is disclosed by the accompanying drawings.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a rack having the improvement arranged thereon.

Fig. 2 is an end view of the same.

Fig. 3 is a similar view looking toward the opposite end.

Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is a sectional view on the line 5—5 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the removable measuring and cutting device.

Fig. 7 is a detail view showing the manner in which the cloth is attached to the roller.

Fig. 8 is a fragmentary perspective view of one of the rollers.

The cloth rack, in the drawings, comprises a pair of spaced base members 1 connected by cleats 2. From the base members 1 there arise opposed standards 3 that have their upper ends connected by a top bar 4.

The standards have their confronting faces provided with suitable round openings for trunnions on the ends of rollers 7 on which the fabrics are wound. The fabrics are held on the rollers by spring clips 9, and are sustained against longitudinal movement by shoulders 8. Suitable friction means may be provided for holding the rollers against accidental turning, such for instance as springs 17 that contact with the ends 16 of the said rollers. The opposite ends of the rollers have members 13 projecting therefrom. These members also project through a plate 11 secured to the side of one of the standards. The heads 14 of the members 13 are designed to be engaged by a socket handle 15, whereby the rollers are turned.

The outer faces of each of the standards, between and below the lowermost roller have openings providing sockets 18. The sockets are disposed in opposed pairs. These sockets are designed to receive therein round lugs 20 formed on the inner face of the body portion of the improvement, which is broadly indicated by the numeral 19.

The improvement comprises a member which is substantially rectangular in formation and which has its outer face, from adjacent its ends notched or cut at a downward angle, as indicated by the numeral 22. This angle portion, adjacent to the outer face of the member 19 has a substantially V-shaped opening 23 therethrough, and the wall 21 outward of the opening has its upper edge rounded. The opening provides a passage for the fabric from the rollers. It will be noted that the device may be arranged opposite any of the rolls, being positioned slightly thereabove, so that the operator can freely feed the fabric through the opening 23.

Having angle ends 25 which are secured to the angle face 22 of the improvement, is a rod 24. On this rod there is a ring 20 which carries a flexible element 27 for a cutting blade 28.

On one of the upper and straight corners of the member 19 there is secured a casing 29 having an opening in the outer face thereof for the passage of a spring wound measuring tape 30.

In operation, the fabric is passed through the opening in the improvement as above described, and the said fabric can be properly drawn outwardly therethrough. In the withdrawal of the fabric, the operator grasps the ring end of the measuring tape 30, and thus determines the quantity of cloth drawn from the roll. When the desired quantity has been obtained the operator draws the knife or cutting element 23 over the angle face 22 of the improvement, the blade thereof being guided by the upper and outer wall provided by the opening 23.

What I claim is:

1. In combination with a display rack for

fabrics, including standards between which rolls carrying fabrics are journaled, and said standards having their outer faces between the rolls provided with sockets, of a fabric cutting and measuring device for the rack, comprising a member having lugs on the inner face thereof designed to be received in the opposed pairs of sockets, said member having an angle slot entering from its lower face and providing a passage for the fabric, a spring wound tape measure on one corner of the member, and a slidable cutting element on said member.

2. In combination with a rack including standards having fabric carrying rolls journaled therebetween and having sockets on their outer faces intermediate of the rolls, of a combined directing, measuring and severing device for the fabrics, including a substantially rectangular member having lugs on the inner face thereof designed to be received in certain of the sockets, said member having its outer face, adjacent to its ends beveled downwardly and having a V-shaped opening entering from its lower face and communicating with its beveled face, and said opening providing a passage for the fabric, an elevated rod on the beveled face of the member, a cutting element slidably supported thereon, and a spring wound tape line secured on one of the upper straight corners of said member.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

ALBERT LEET.