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Picture-Frames.

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FIG. 2.

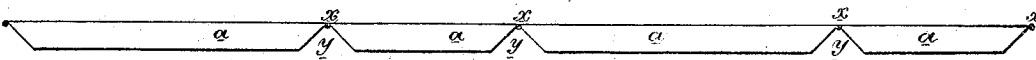


FIG. 1.

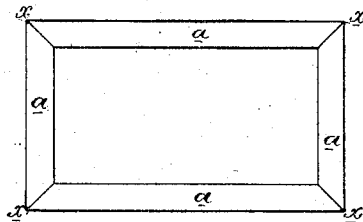


FIG. 4.

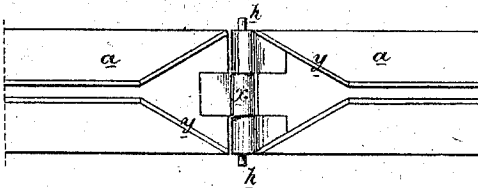


FIG. 3.

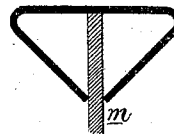
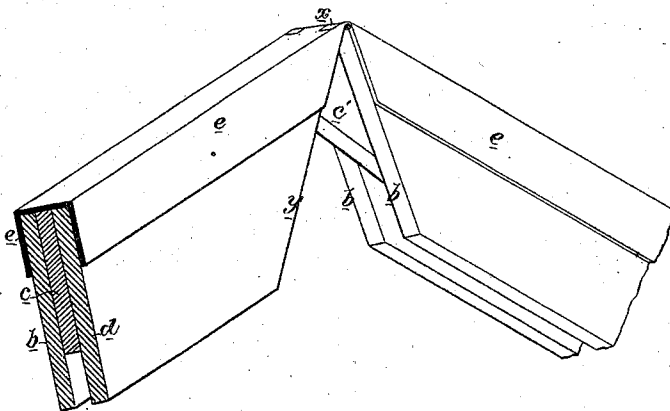


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IMPROVEMENT IN PICTURE-FRAMES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. HUTCHINSON, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Card or Picture Frame, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is a cheap frame, into which advertising-cards, &c., can be readily introduced, and which admits of being readily taken apart, packed in a narrow compass in quantities for transportation, and is readily put together for use. I accomplish this object by hinging the several sections *a* of the frame together at the corners *x*, as illustrated in Fig. 1, which shows the frame as it appears when in use, and, in Fig. 2, where the sections are shown stretched out in line, the joints being such that the sections can be readily connected to and disconnected from each other.

Very cheap frames, adapted to signs or show or advertising cards, may be made of strips of sheet-iron, bent to the sectional form shown in Fig. 3, so as to clamp and confine the card *m*. The method of hinging these metal strips together is illustrated in Fig. 4,

where it will be observed that the hinge is formed by projections on the strips, bent so as to form eyes for the admission of a pin, *h*.

The perspective view, Fig. 5, shows another style of frame, of which each section is composed of three strips of wood, *b*, *c*, and *d*, bound together by a strip, *e*, of sheet metal, the metal portions of the sections being hinged together in the manner shown in Fig. 4. Greater rigidity may be imparted to frames of this style by a tongue, *c'*, on one section, entering a recess formed in the adjoining section.

I claim as my invention—

A frame, hinged together at the corners, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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