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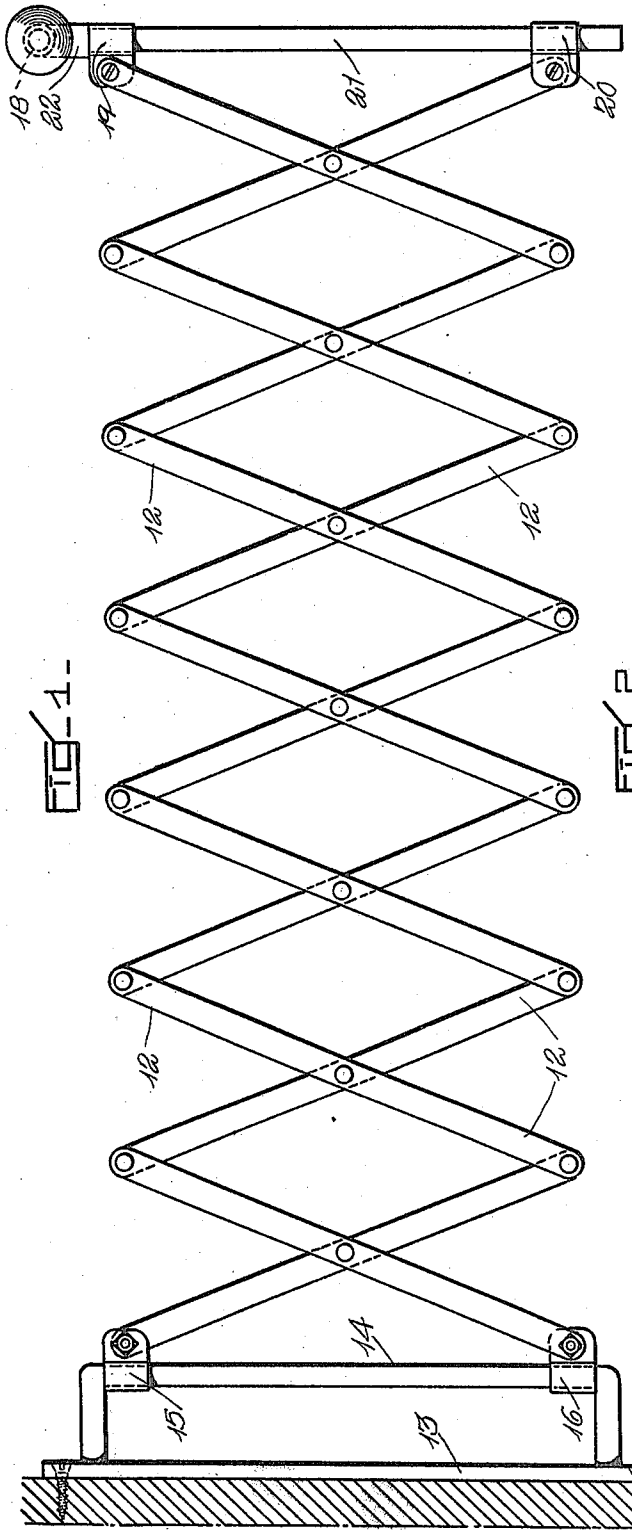


FIG. 1.

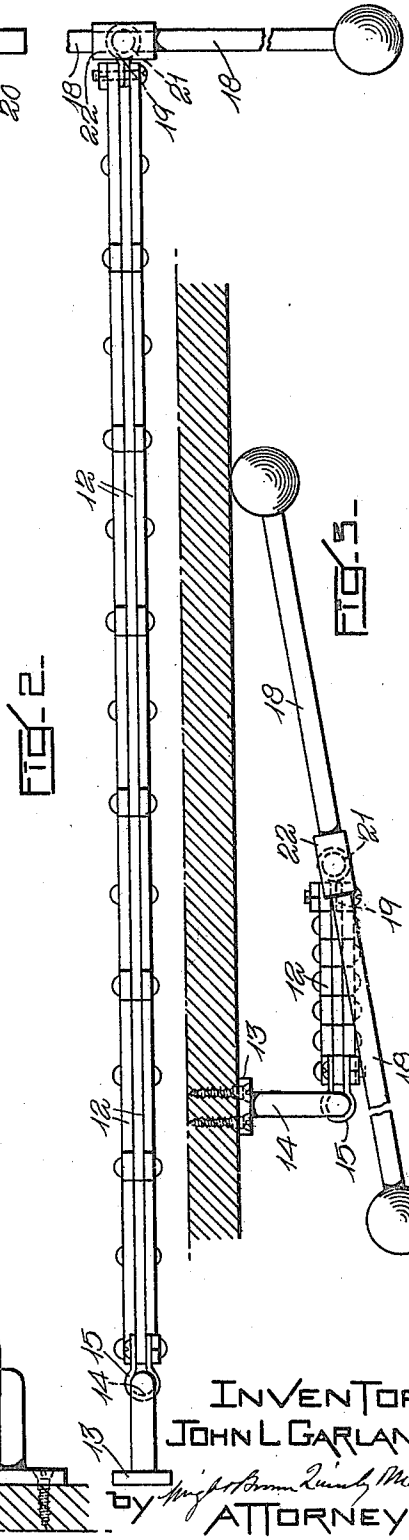


FIG. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN L. GARLAND, a citizen of the United States, residing at Salem, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Display-Racks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to appliances for displaying goods such as neckties in stores, and has for its object to provide a rack adapted to be folded in compact form in close proximity to a wall behind a store counter, and to be extended outwardly from the wall above the counter, and support an assortment of neckties, or other goods, in convenient position for inspection and removal, either by a clerk behind the counter, or by a customer at the opposite side.

The invention is embodied in the improvements which I will now proceed to describe and claim.

Of the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification,—

Figure 1 is a side view, showing a rack embodying the invention in its operative position.

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same.

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2, showing the rack folded.

The same reference characters indicate the same or similar parts in all the figures.

My improved rack includes a foldable bracket comprising a lazy-tongs 12 and a base adapted to be attached to a wall, behind a store counter. As here shown, the base includes a back portion 13 adapted to be engaged by attaching screws, and a vertical pintle 14 spaced from the base. The inner end members of the lazy-tongs are provided with hinge sockets 15 and 16 adapted to turn on the pintle 14, the upper socket 15 being adapted also to slide on the pintle to permit the necessary reduction of width of the lazy-tongs when the length thereof is increased. The lazy-tongs may swing horizontally from the extended position shown by Figs. 1 and 2, to a position substantially parallel with the wall, as shown by Fig. 3. A substantially horizontal goods support, preferably composed of alined metal rods 18, 18, is pivoted to swing horizontally on the outer end of the lazy-tongs, the preferred means for pivotally connecting the goods support with the lazy-tongs including vertical hinge sockets 19, 20, pivoted to the outer members of the lazy-tongs, and a vertical rod or pintle 21 adapted to turn in said sockets, and connected by a T 22 with the rods 18. The lower socket 20 is adapted to slide vertically on the pintle 21, to permit the above-mentioned reduction of width of the lazy-tongs. When the rack is in its operative position, the lazy-tongs is extended or projected outwardly from the wall over a store counter, and the goods support is adjusted at right angles to the lazy-tongs, so that neckties, or other goods, hung thereon, are in convenient position for inspection and removal.

When the lazy-tongs is swung toward the wall, one end of the goods support is or may be brought thereby into sliding contact with the wall and automatically swung to a position substantially parallel with the wall, as shown by Fig. 3, the rack being thus folded out of the way.

In practice the base portion 13 is attached to the wall at a point sufficiently high to locate the rack above the heads of clerks.

I claim:

A display rack comprising a foldable bracket including a base adapted to be attached to a wall, and a lazy-tongs pivoted at its inner end to swing horizontally on said base, and having vertical socket members at its outer end, and a substantially horizontal elongated goods support having a vertical pintle fitted to turn in said socket members, said support being located higher than the lazy-tongs, and adapted to extend crosswise of the lazy-tongs with its ends projecting laterally therefrom when the rack is operatively extended, and to be turned by sliding contact of one of its ends with said wall to a position substantially parallel with the lazy-tongs when the rack is folded.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature.

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