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Fig. I.

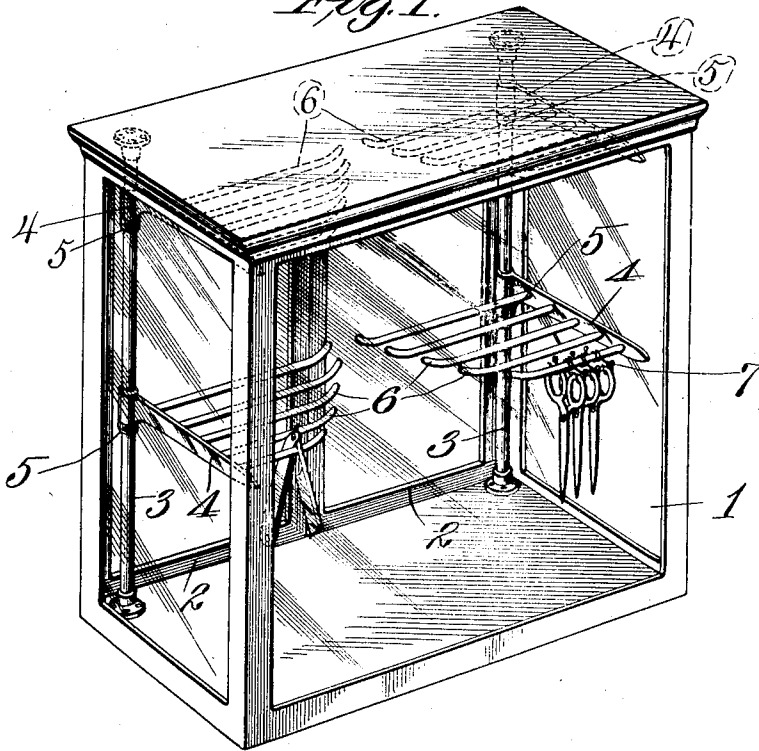
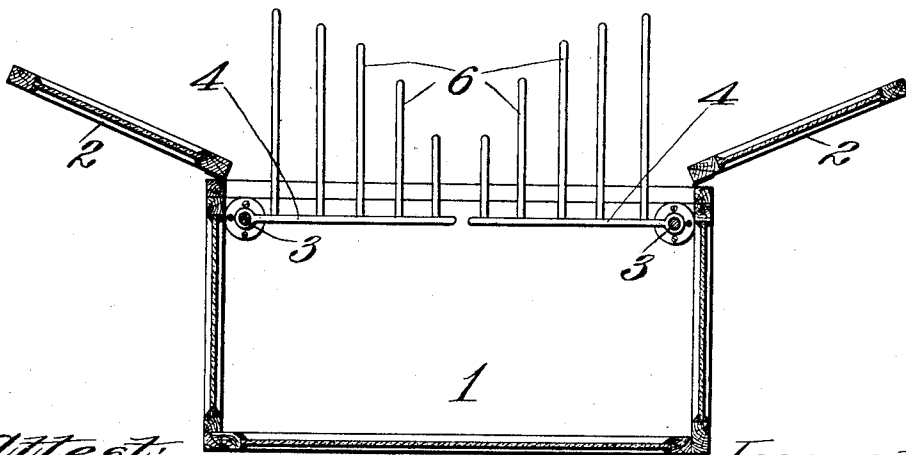


Fig. II.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEONARD MATTHEWS, Jr., a citizen of the United States of America, residing in the city of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Merchandise-Cabinets, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to a merchandise-cabinet having means therein for the support of small articles of merchandise, such as cutlery, and which is susceptible of being moved from a position within the cabinet to a position exterior thereof, whereby the merchandise is effectually housed and displayed when the cabinet is closed and is readily accessible for removal from the supporting means when the cabinet is opened and the supporting means is moved to the exterior of the cabinet.

Figure I is a front perspective view of my cabinet in closed condition. Fig. II is a horizontal section taken through the cabinet in an open condition and showing in plan view the merchandise-supporting means withdrawn from the back of the cabinet.

1 designates the casing of my cabinet, which is preferably provided with front and end walls that are transparent and doors 2 at the back of the cabinet adapted to be opened to permit access to the interior of the cabinet.

3 designates a pair of posts that are mounted in fixed positions within the cabinet 1 and preferably in corners adjacent to the back thereof.

4 are bracket-arms that are loosely fitted to the posts 3, so as to be susceptible of horizontal swinging movement in order that the arms may be positioned interiorly within the cabinet or drawn to the exterior of the cabinet. The bracket-arms are supported at the desired height by set-collars 5, that are adjustably fitted to the posts 3.

6 are hanger-rods fixed to the bracket-arms 4 and extending in horizontal directions therefrom, the outer ends of the rods being preferably curved upwardly, as seen in Fig. I, in order that articles of merchandise that are suspended from the rods will be prevented from slipping over the ends of the rods. The articles of merchandise may be

supported by the rods in any suitable manner. For instance, for the support of shears or scissors I may utilize double hooks 7, that are strung on the hanger-rods and serve to receive the ring-handles of the shears and scissors for the suspension thereof. Other articles of merchandise—such, for instance, as razors—may be hung directly upon the hanger-rods.

It will be seen that my construction of merchandise-cabinet furnishes means for the attractive display of articles of merchandise and that the merchandise while on display is readily accessible; for the reason that it is only necessary to swing the bracket-arm 4 and the hanger-rod carried thereby in an outward direction to the exterior of the cabinet and obtain the desired article, after which the bracket-arm is returned to the interior of the cabinet to be housed as before. Any desired number of the bracket-arms and hanger-rods carried thereby may be utilized in the cabinet. In the drawings, Fig. I, I have shown four of the bracket-arms with their complementary hanger-rods; but this number may be readily increased or diminished.

The set-collar 5, being adjustably fitted to the post to which it applies and beneath the bracket-arm swingingly mounted on said post, may be readily raised and lowered as desired, in order that the bracket-arm may be upheld at a greater or less degree of elevation from the bottom of the cabinet according to the character of the articles of merchandise supported by the hanger-rods 6.

I claim—

1. In a merchandise-cabinet, the combination of a case, a post mounted within said case, a horizontal bracket-arm swingingly connected to said post, and horizontal transverse hanger-rods carried by said bracket-arm and projecting from the outer side thereof, substantially as set forth.

2. A merchandise-cabinet comprising a post mounted in one corner of the cabinet, a horizontal bracket-arm swingingly fitted to said post, horizontal transverse hanger-rods carried by said bracket-arm on one side only so as to enable the bracket-arm to extend parallel with the end of the cabinet.

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