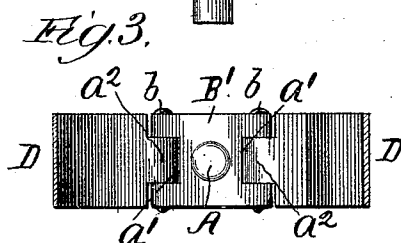
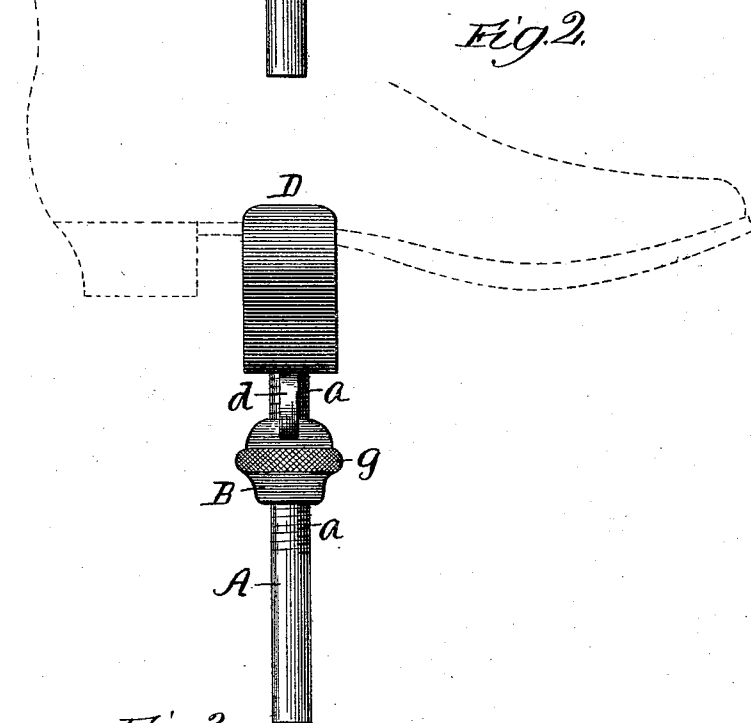
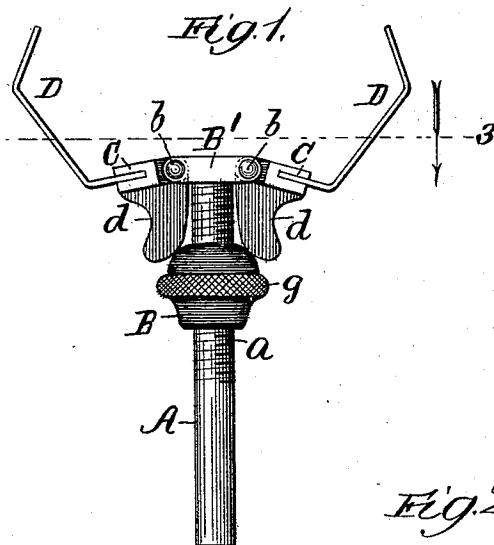


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD LEGER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, that will enable others to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation; Fig. 2, a side elevation; Fig. 3, a horizontal section and plan on line 3, Fig. 1, looking in the direction indicated by the arrow.

This invention relates to a shoe-supporting attachment for display stands or fixtures.

Some considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining a suitable device for properly holding a shoe on a display or show stand. The object, therefore, is to provide a simple and convenient device of this character that will obviate the difficulties and objections met with heretofore.

Referring to the drawings, A is a stem, on the upper end of which is mounted the shoe-holding mechanism. The lower end of the stem serves for attachment to the bars or other parts of a show-stand. (Not shown.) The upper part of this stem is screw-threaded, as at *a*, and has the correspondingly-threaded nut B mounted thereon, the functions of which will be hereinafter set forth. The head-piece B' is rigidly mounted on the upper end of stem A, and is cut out on each side, providing recesses *a' a'*. The companion hinge-plates C are provided on their inner edges with knuckles *a³ a²*, fitting in the notches in the head-piece and movably attached thereto by pivot-pins *b b*, forming a hinged connection between these parts.

The lower ends of angle clamping-jaws D D are secured to the outer edges of the hinge-plates. The upper ends of the clamping-jaws incline inwardly at an angle to engage with

the respective edges of a shoe-sole, as shown in Fig. 2, the relative position of a shoe being indicated by dotted lines.

The lugs *d d* are formed on the under side of the hinge-plates C C and project downwardly therefrom on opposite sides of the supporting-stem. The inner edges of these lugs are rounded or beveled, so as to present to the spherical adjusting-nut B a corresponding surface. This nut is provided with the annular milled bead *g*, affording a grasping-surface for the fingers in manipulating the same.

The device is shown in its normal or open position in Fig. 1. Now by turning the nut upwardly the lugs are spread and the hinge-plates caused to swing upwardly on their pivotal joint and throw the jaws inwardly to a clamping position. A slight movement of the nut in either direction releases or clamps the object.

A slide or eccentric might be substituted for the ball-nut; but the arrangement shown is preferred.

The device is more especially intended for holding shoes; but it is obvious that it may be used for the display of other articles.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a shoe-holder, the combination of the supporting-stem screw-threaded exteriorly, as at *a*, the head-piece rigidly mounted on the upper end of said stem, the companion plates hinged to opposite sides of said head-piece and provided on the under side with downwardly-projecting lugs, the clamping-jaws secured to the companion plates, and the screw-threaded nut mounted upon and adapted to traverse the threaded portion of the supporting-stem, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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