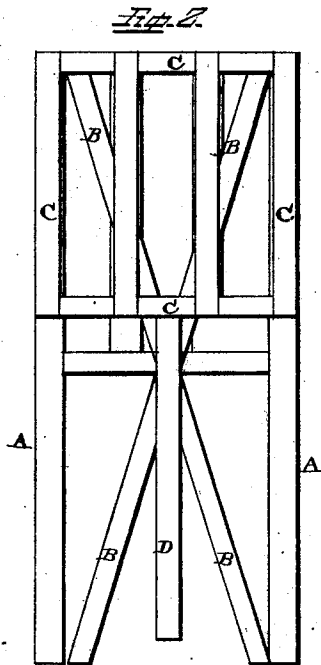
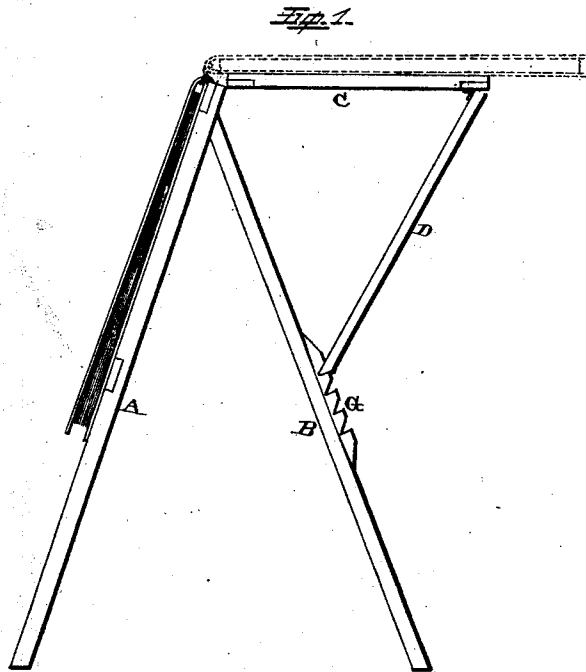


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM P. YEOMAN, of Waukegan, in the county of Lake and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stands for Exhibiting Samples; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in stands for exhibiting samples; and it consists in a frame which is constructed something like a painter's easel, to the upper end of which the book or other device holding the samples is to be attached in any suitable manner, and which frame is to be provided with the adjustable support upon its rear side to receive the book or device holding the samples when it is turned back out of the way, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

The object of my invention is to construct a very cheap and simple frame upon which samples of wall-paper and other goods can be readily and quickly exhibited to purchasers, and then folded up and put away in such a manner as to occupy very little space.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my invention, showing the samples upon the front of the stand in solid lines and turned back out of the way in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a view of the frame shown folded together.

A represents the frame, which is constructed something like a painter's easel, and which is supported in a standing position by the braces B, which are hinged or otherwise loosely attached to its rear side. To the rear edge of the upper end of this frame is loosely attached a support, C, which consists simply of a frame of any desired shape or size, and which is supported at any desired angle in relation to the front part of the frame by means of the brace D, which is loosely attached to the under side of its outer edge. Upon the brace B, at any suitable point, is secured the ratchet G, in which the lower end of this brace D catches for the purpose of raising or lowering the support C, as may be desired.

The samples of wall-paper, dry-goods, or any other materials are preferably attached together and secured between two flaps or covers, similar to a book, which covers are attached to the upper end of the frame in any suitable manner. As is here shown, these flaps or covers are fastened permanently to the upper end of the frame; but they may be attached by means of hooks, clasps, or other fastenings, so that they can be readily removed, when so desired, and a new set of samples substituted for them.

In showing the samples either all of them may be turned back upon the support C, and then one at a time may be brought down before the purchaser, or they may be all left hung upon the front of the frame, and then one after the other turned back upon the support so as to get them out of the way.

The samples may be secured together by a holder such as is used for securing newspapers together, or any other suitable way, and they may be permanently secured inside of the covers, or may be removable therefrom, as may be preferred. By thus securing the samples together, as here shown, and attaching them to the upper end of the frame, they can be displayed one after the other to the purchaser, and that without having to unroll any of the goods themselves. By having the frame fold up, as is here shown, after the goods have been displayed the frame can be folded up so as to occupy but very little room.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

In a device for exhibiting samples, the combination of the frame A, provided with a support, B, and having the selection of samples secured to its upper edge, with an adjustable support secured to the upper end of the frame for holding the samples after they have been turned back, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of October, 1880.

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