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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

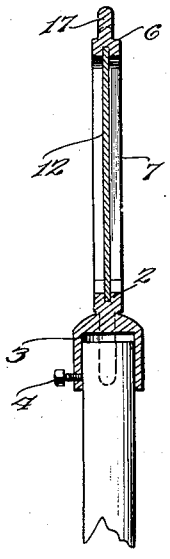
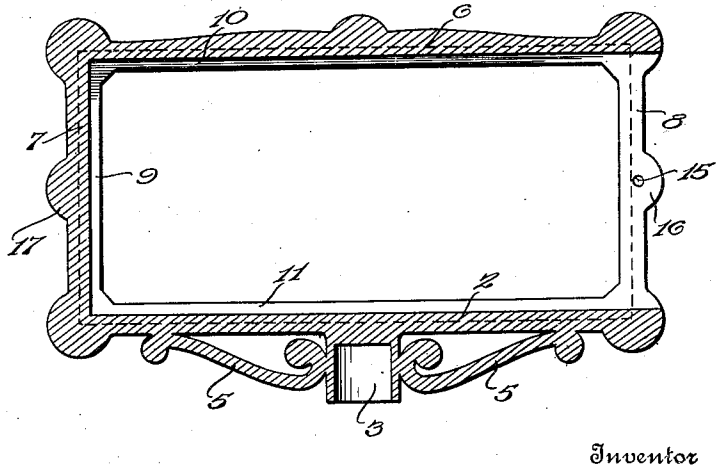


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to signs and more particularly to a frame adapted to be secured upon a post or other suitable support and carry a display card.

One object of the invention is to provide a frame in which a card may be mounted and directions or advertising matter upon the card prominently displayed.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the frame that the display card may be readily inserted or removed and securely held in place when mounted in the frame.

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved frame;

Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view through the frame taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view through the frame.

The frame forming the subject-matter of this invention is primarily intended for use in connection with a post or standard 1 and, therefore, has its lower longitudinally extending bar 2 provided with a depending socket 3 of such diameter that it may fit snugly upon the upper end of the standard. A set screw 4 passes through a threaded opening formed in the socket to engage the standard and firmly but releasably secure the socket. Arms 5 extend in opposite directions from the socket and are disposed longitudinally of the frame with their outer ends joined to the lower bar 2. These arms serve to brace the frame and prevent it from being readily broken loose from the socket. The upper bar 6 of the frame is joined to the lower bar by end bars 7 and 8, and from an inspection of Fig. 3 it will be seen that the end bar 7 and upper and lower bars are formed along their inner edge portions with communicating grooves 9, 10 and 11 to receive marginal portions of a sign 12. The sign or display card 12 is passed into the frame through a slot 13 formed longitudinally in the end bar 8 and is adapted to be retained in place by a pin or cotter key 14 passed through alined openings 15 formed in the ears 16 which project from the end bar 8 intermediate its upper and lower ends. A beading or border 17 extends around the frame and serves not only to reinforce the frame and prevent it from being weakened by the grooves and slot but also to ornament the frame and give it an attractive appearance. By having the frame formed as shown in the drawing and set forth above, a display card or sign having appropriate instructions of advertising matter provided thereon may be prominently displayed. It should be further noted that the sign or card will be securely held in place but may be readily removed and a new one substituted.

Having thus described the invention, I claim:

A frame of the character described comprising end bars and upper and lower bars joining said end bars, enlargements being provided at the corners of the frame, beads extending longitudinally along the outer edge faces of the bars and rigid with the bars and enlargements, one end bar and said upper and lower bars being formed with communicating grooves opening through their inner faces, the other end bar being provided with a longitudinally extending slot opening through its bead and inner edge face and communicating with the grooves of the upper and lower bars, the slotted end bar being provided with ears intermediate its ends separated by the slot and formed with alined openings to receive a fastener for retaining a card in the frame with marginal portions of the card seated in the grooves and slot, a socket member rigid with and depending from the lower bar intermediate its length, and arms having their ends rigid with the bead of the lower bar and said socket member.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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