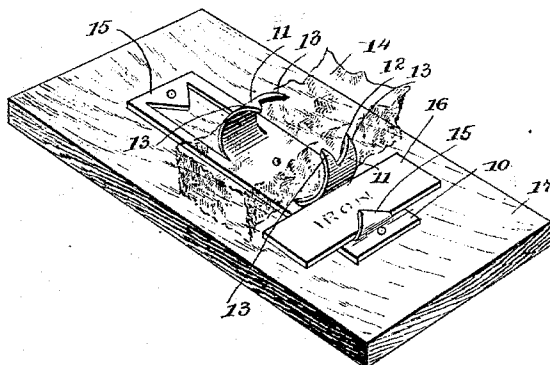


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWIN B. LUNBECK and CLARENCE P. CUMMINGS, both of Monte Vista, in the county of Rio Grande and State of Colorado, have invented a new and Improved Exhibiting Device, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Our invention relates to improvements in that class of devices which are adapted to hold and advantageously display irregular forms, such as mineral specimens; and the object of our invention is to produce an extremely cheap and simple device of this kind, which may be stamped and died from sheet metal, which forms a perfect clamp adapted to hold any article of the class described in place, which permits the said article to be easily placed in the clamp and which also has a convenient means of displaying the name of the article.

To these ends our invention consists in certain features of construction and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, in which the figure is a perspective view of the device embodying our invention, showing a mineral specimen held between the jaws of the clamp.

The device is provided with a blank 10, and the blank and its several parts are struck up or died from spring metal. When the blank is died, tongues or jaws 11 are cut out at the same operation and are turned upward and inward toward each other, as shown in the drawing, each jaw being notched at its free end, as shown at 12, thus forming two prongs 13 which are adapted to press against the sides of a mineral specimen or other object, and the notched arrangement of the jaws enables them to fit and hold objects having irregular surfaces. The points of the prongs 13 are preferably bent upward slightly so

that a descriptive card may, if desired, be easily placed between the prongs and the article held by the jaws. When the jaws are formed, the die which notches them, also forms lugs 15 near the ends of the blank and a descriptive card 16 may be placed beneath one of the lugs and between the lug and the nearest jaw 11, as shown clearly in the figure.

The blank 10 is adapted to be fastened to a suitable supporting base 17 or to any convenient article, and the specimen 14 or other object held by the jaws is applied by simply springing the jaws apart slightly, placing the specimen between them and then permitting the jaws to close against it.

From the foregoing description it will be observed that the device may be very simply made, that the specimen or other object may be easily fastened between the clamping jaws, and that the specimen or object so held is displayed to great advantage, as substantially its entire surface may be seen.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An exhibitor comprising the oblong blank formed with struck up tongues 11, 11, at opposite sides of its middle, the tongues being bent outwardly from the blank and with their free ends curved toward each other, said free ends having A shape notches therein the material removed in forming said notches remaining attached to the blank in the outer ends of the slots formed by the removal of the said tongues; one or both of the tongues 15 formed thereby being bent up to operate in connection with the adjacent tongue 11, substantially as set forth.

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