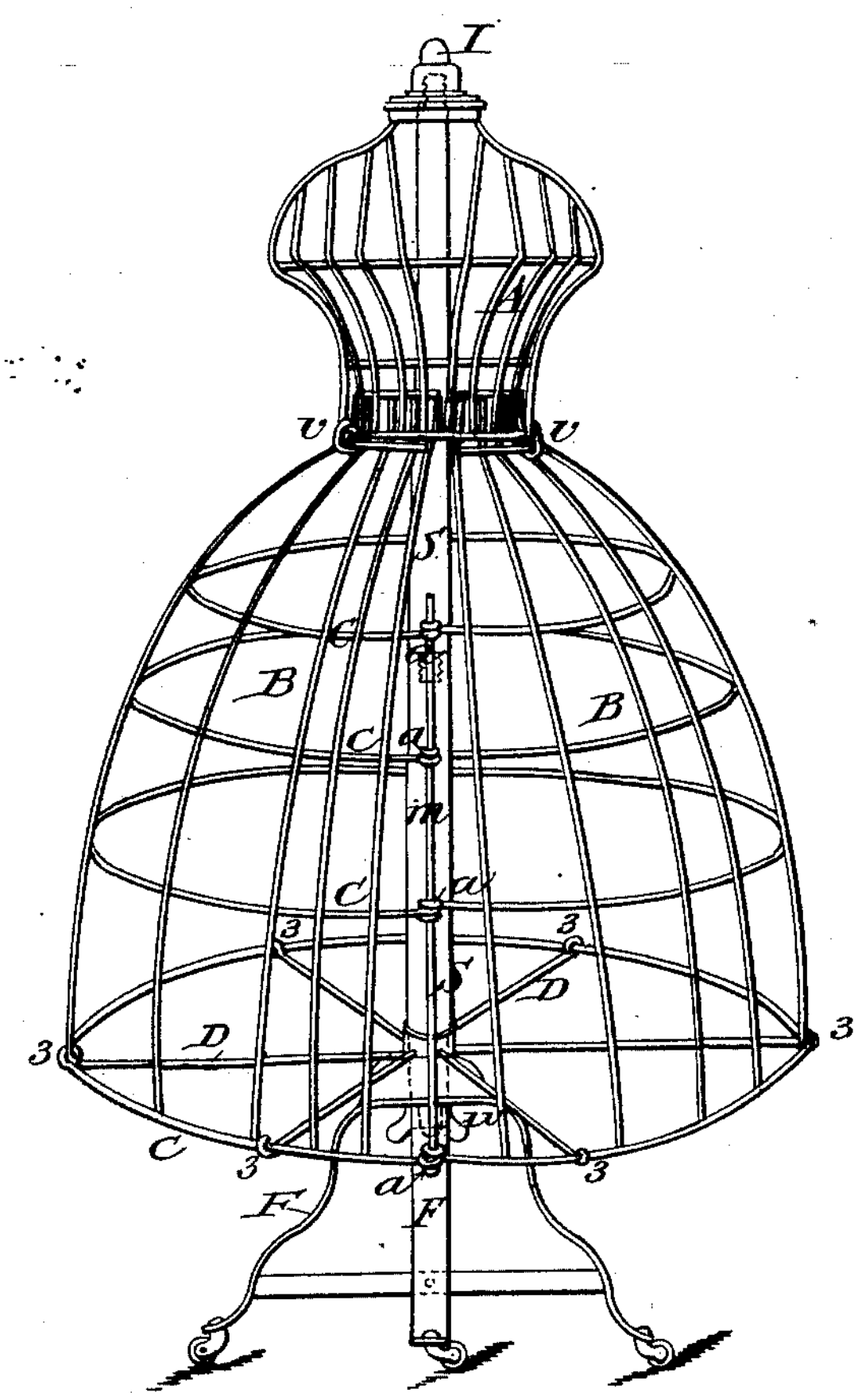
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## IMPROVED FRAME FOR LADIES' DRESSES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **26,781**, dated January 10, 1860.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSEPH R. PALMENBERG, of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ladies' Figures; and I hereby declare that the following is an exact and full description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in constructing ladies' figures in such a manner that the same may be readily taken apart when required to be packed in a box, so that the same may occupy less room, and thereby save expense on the same in transportation.

The upper part or body of the figure A down to the waist is made in one piece. The lower part B is made in two pieces, divided in the center at front and back. The circular wires C C C, &c., to which the wires running from top to bottom are fastened, are made in the front and back, in the center, with holes *a a*, through which, when the figure is put together, rods *m* pass, which said rods fasten the two parts together. The diagonal braces D at the bottom, which strengthen the figure, are fastened to a ring *n*, which passes around the upright stand S, and the extreme ends 3 of the braces are bent round the lower circular ring C, and by this means firmly attached to the same, after the two parts have been joined together through the rods *m*, as above described. The upper ends of the parts B are made so small as to fit into the waist part of the body A, which latter holds thereby those lower parts B together, and is then fastened by means of hinges or catches *v*, fast to the lower ring of the body A, and pass under the top rings C of the parts B. The stand S is likewise made in two parts, being screwed together near the center, and is fastened to the feet F by means of a thumb-nut *w*. On the top of the stand S a cap I is screwed on, which fastens the whole figure to the stand. The feet F are made in two parts and bent out of flat metal in the proper shape that each part shall form two legs, and are put together at right angles to each other, fastened to the stand S by means of the screw-nut *w*. By this arrangement the whole figure, stand, and feet, can be taken apart and occupy when packed only one-sized part the space as when packed all together, where the freight for transportation amounts in many cases, to more than the whole price of the whole figure, and in a box twenty-eight by twenty-eight by forty, which will take at present only one figure, I can pack conveniently nearly seven figures constructed on my improved plan.

I do not claim a lady's figure made of wire and fixed on a stand, as this has been before known and used; but

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The arrangement and construction of ladies' figures in parts and the manner of fastening the separate parts together, substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

JOSEPH R. PALMENBERG.

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