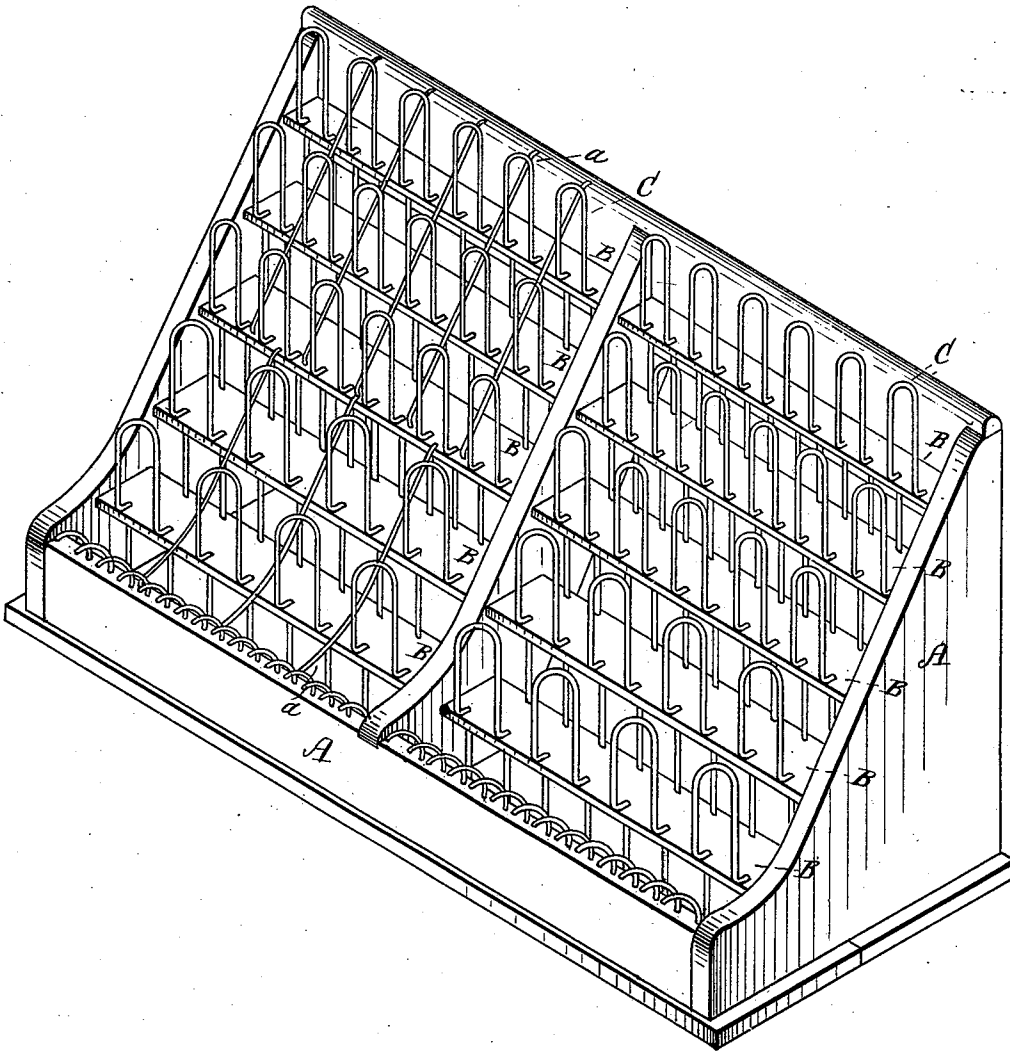


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## SHOW CASE AND STAND.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL A. HOSKINS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sioux City, in the county of Woodbury and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Portable Newspaper and Periodical Stands; 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 appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and valuable improvements in portable or stationary racks for newspapers and periodicals; and it consists in a rack or stand provided with a series of shelves arranged similar to a flight of stairs, each shelf being divided into compartments by curved or arched wires, to hold its contents firmly against the compartment next back of it, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

In the accompanying drawing, which represents a perspective view of my invention, A represents the frame, of any desirable form, either round, square, or in the form shown. This frame A has a series of longitudinal shelves, B, each shelf, from the top of the frame to the base thereof, extending out beyond the one preceding it, similar in its arrangement to a flight of stairs. These shelves B, which may be of varying widths, or increase in width from the upper to the lower shelf, form compartments for newspapers or periodicals, which are arranged thereon in an upright or vertical position. Each shelf is furnished with a series

of curved or arched wires, C, to hold the contents firmly against the compartment next back of it, the ends of the arched wires being continued through the shelves into the one next below it, thereby forming the back of the compartment next in front of it.

The compartments may be separated from each other by wire partitions *a*, the object of the whole being to make a complete arrangement for holding newspapers and periodicals, so that their titles can be seen at a glance, and so that each kind can be removed and replaced without disturbing others.

I do not desire to be understood as confining myself to any particular form or shape of frame, as it may be of various shapes or designs, either portable or stationary, or arranged to revolve upon a suitable support, as found desirable, and the wire arches may be removable from the shelves, or lengthened by raising them as deemed necessary.

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

A newspaper or periodical stand consisting of a suitable frame, A, having shelves B, arranged as described, each of which is provided with a series of curved or arched wires, C, said wires being continued through the shelves to form a back to the compartment next in front of it, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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