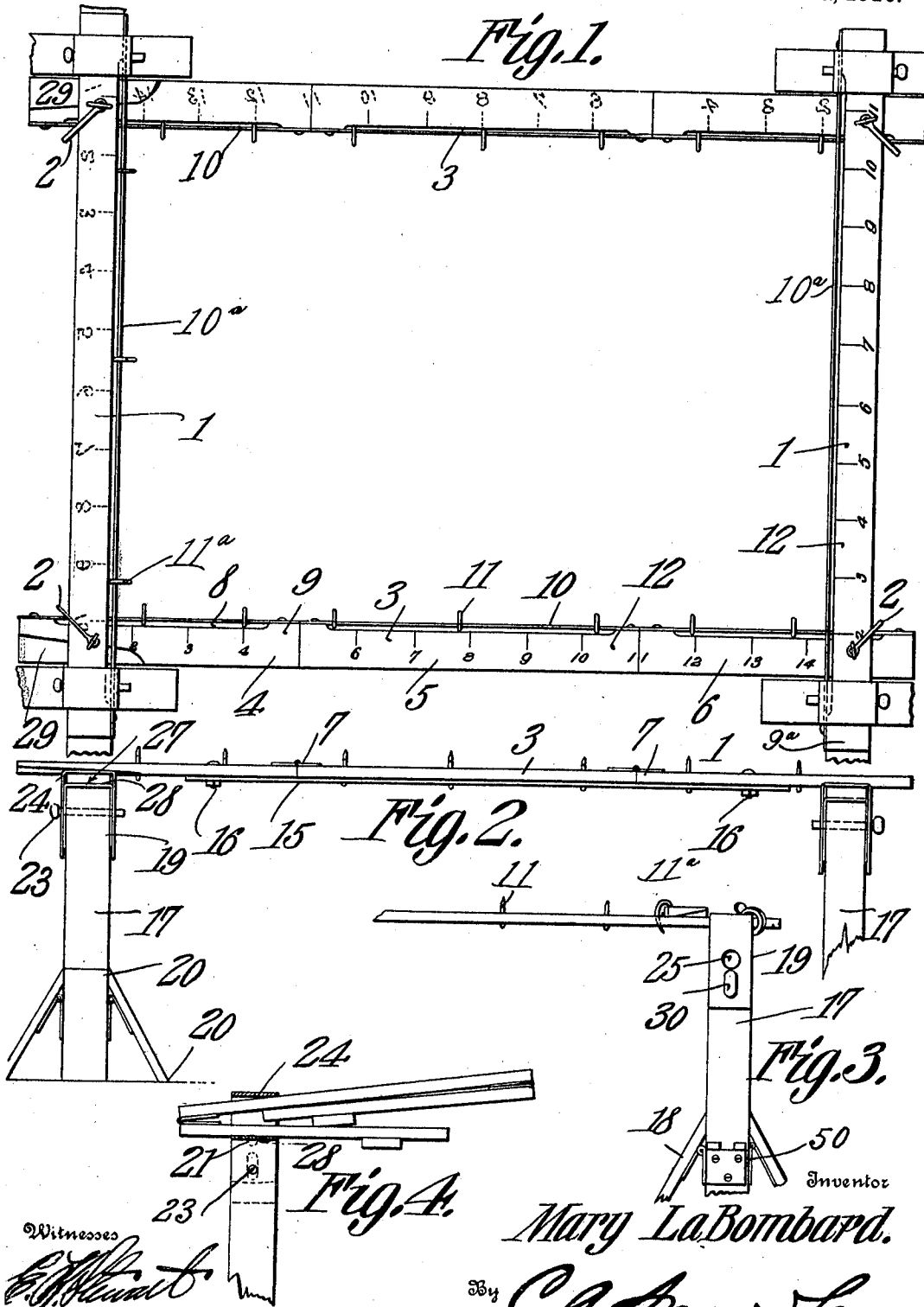


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY LA BOMBARD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bristol, in the county of Addison and State of Vermont, have invented a new and useful Quilting-Frame, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has reference to quilting frames and is designed to construct a frame which may be used as a curtain stretcher or quilting frame and which may be folded while the curtain or quilt is mounted thereon, to occupy a small amount of floor space.

It further contemplates the provision of a scale on the end and side rails of the frame, to facilitate the adjustment thereof to any size and shape of quilt or curtain.

A still further object is to dispense with the use of boxes and chairs, now commonly used to support frames of this type and character, by supplying an improved standard, which is not only adjustable but of such a nature that it can be folded when not in use.

With the above and other ends in view the invention consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts as hereinafter more fully described, specifically claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawings wherein,

Figure 1 is a top plan of my frame open. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of my frame with the supports attached, parts being broken away. Fig. 3 is an end elevation of a portion of the frame, setting forth the arrangement of attaching hooks and the beveled ends. Fig. 4 is an elevation partly in section setting forth the method of engaging the frame, when folded, in the standard.

Reference being had to the drawings, 1 indicates the end rails or bars of my frame to one side of which are secured by the clamps 2, the foldable side rails or bars 3. These side rails are formed in three sections, 4, 5 and 6, the end sections 4—6 being hinged at their inner ends to the ends of the intermediate section 5 by any suitable hinge 7. Each section of the side rails is cut on its inner edge to form the in-set portions 8 having at their ends the projections 9, to which are secured the sheet metal rods 10. Slidably carried on the rods are a series of downwardly extending wire hooks 11 which are formed with an eye at one end to receive the rod and with an outwardly curved hook at the other

end. The in-set 8 allows sufficient room between the rails 3 and the rod 10 to permit the eye to have a free and unobstructed passage between the projections 9.

The end rails or bars 1 are made of one piece of material but in approximately all other respects are similar to the side bars 3, having the in-set portion 8, the projections 9^A at each end thereof and the rod 10^A, attached to said projections. In order to form a secure and more firm hold for the article attached to the frame and to prevent any danger of the article being released, the hooks 11^A carried on the rod 10^A, are oppositely disposed to those on the rod 10, as shown in Fig. 3.

The face of the frame opposite to that on which the hinges are attached is the face used for quilting purposes, having a scale 12 along one of the side rails 3 and the adjoining end rail 1. This scale serves as a means whereby the knots may be placed in the quilt at regular intervals, without the aid of any auxiliary measuring apparatus.

On the side of the rails 3 to which the hinges are secured curtains may be stretched for the purpose of drying, the frame being adjusted to the required size by a scale along the face of the rails 1 and 3 opposite to that carrying the scale 12. To prevent the frame from buckling when used as a curtain stretcher, a bar 15 is fastened to the under face of one of the side rails, by the bolts 16 passing through the said bar and the end sections 4—6 of the rail 3, thus making the joints rigid.

The support for my frame comprises the upright standard 17 of any desired height, provided with the pivoted diverging legs 18 at the base, and with the frame engaging clamp 19 at the top thereof. The legs 18 are pivoted to the standard by hinges 50, and have the bevels 20 at each extremity, so that when the legs are in their distended position they will rest firmly against the standard at one end and firmly upon the ground at the other. A strip of sheet metal 28, bent in the form of a U, or clevis, is attached over the upper end of the standard 17 by the rivets 21 and is provided with registering openings in its arms coinciding with an orifice clearly indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 2 of the drawing in the standard adapted to receive a split pin 23 which secures a similar U-shaped member 24 to

the member 28. This member 24 has in each of its arms a series of openings 25 the lower one 30 thereof being elongated which permits adjustment in the size of the passage 5 27 between the parts 24 and 28, to receive the frame when opened; or when folded as shown in Fig. 4.

The sections 4 of the side rails are provided at the outer extremity with beveled 10 portions 29, which makes the frame, when folded, snug and compact. It can be readily understood that this frame may be of any suitable material and size, having an increase of hooks in proportion thereto.

15 Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a device of the class described, a frame-forming member having one of its 20 edges cut away to define projections at the ends of the member; a rod terminally mounted upon the projections and spaced from the edge of the member between the projections; and article-engaging elements 25 slidably mounted upon the rod.

2. In a device of the class described, a frame-forming member comprising sections 30 hingedly connected upon one face, each of said sections being cut away along one edge to define projections at the ends of said sections; a rod terminally mounted upon the projections and spaced from the edge of the section between the projections; and

article-engaging elements loosely mounted upon the rod to slide thereon. 35

3. In a device of the class described, a standard; a pair of superposed clevises enclosing the standard at one end; a frame-forming member adapted to be clamped between the clevises; and a pin adapted to be 40 inserted through the arms of the clevises and through the standards.

4. In a support for a frame composed of connected members, the combination with an upright standard of pivotally secured, 45 diverging legs at one end thereof, and of a frame clamping member at the other end comprising a metallic U shaped part having two registering openings in each arm thereof, coinciding with an orifice in the top of 50 the standard to which it is secured, a similarly formed member having a series of registering openings in each arm thereof adapted to engage a member of the frame between it and the other U shaped member, and 55 to hold said member by means of the split pin passing through the opening in said U shaped member and the orifice in the top of the standard.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 60 my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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