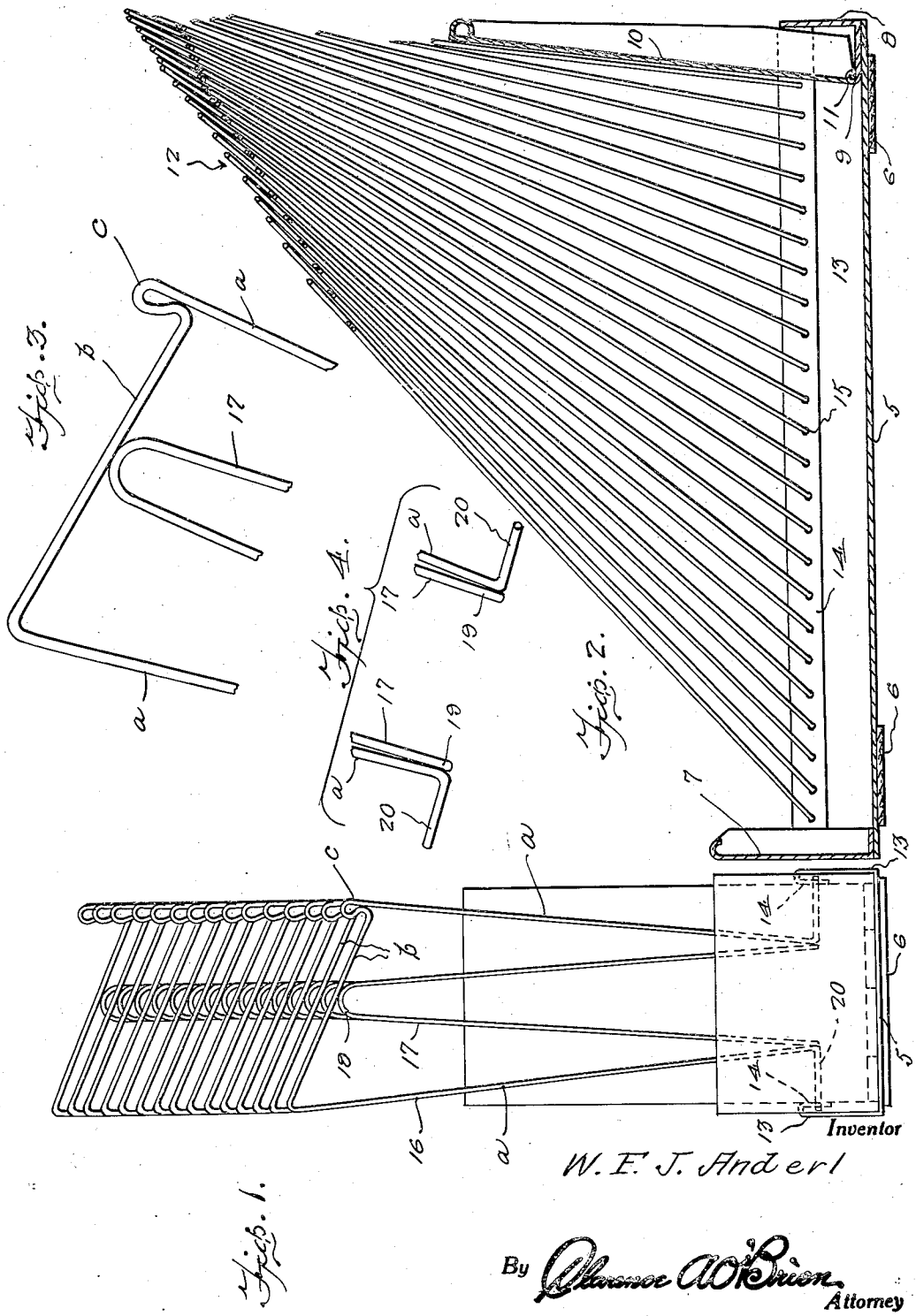
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This invention appertains to new and useful improvements in display racks for stockings and like garments.

The principal object of the present invention is to provide a rack upon which hose can be displayed in an attractive manner.

Another important object of the invention is to provide a hose display rack which can be constructed at a very low price.

Other important objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent to the reader of the following specification.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 represents a front elevational view of the rack.

Figure 2 is a longitudinal sectional view.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary perspective view of the upper end of one of the frames.

Figure 4 represents a fragmentary perspective view of the lower portion of one of the frames.

Referring to the drawing wherein like numerals designate like parts, it can be seen that the rack consists of the base 5 having felt pads 6—6 on the bottom thereof. The base 5 is provided with the upstanding front wall 7 and the upstanding back wall 8, which upstanding back wall 8 is provided with a base portion 9 secured to the top side of the base 5 and to the forward end of which the upstanding plate 10 is hingedly secured as at 11. This plate 10 serves as a back for the frames generally referred to by numeral 12 to rest against as in the manner shown in Figure 2.

The base 5 is provided with the upstanding side walls 13—13, which are bent inwardly and downwardly to provide internal flanges 14 each having a plurality of longitudinally spaced openings 15.

The frame members 12 each consists of an elongated wire member 16 consisting of downwardly converging leg portions A—A and an obliquely disposed bight portion *b* terminating at one end in an upstanding loop portion *c*. This oblique portion *b* serves as a slanting rail for supporting a pair of socks and the loop *c* of course serves as an abutment for the sides to prevent slipping off of the same from the frame.

A brace structure 17 is provided which is in the form of an elongated wire having the bight portion 18 thereof welded to the intermediate portion of the corresponding bight portion *b* while its leg portions extend downwardly and are welded as at 19 to the lower ends of the portions A—A of the corresponding frame. The leg portions A—A of the corresponding frame are provided with laterally disposed pintles 20 which engage into corresponding openings 15 of the internal flanges 14.

Hosiery displayed on this rack may be leafed forward and then backward so that the customer may see the patterns and shades of every pair without removing or handling the same with consequential soiling thereof. The hosiery is easily placed on the rack members and just as easily removed by lifting the same directly off of the supporting members. Furthermore, the rack itself is very compact and can easily be collapsed for shipment in small space.

While the foregoing specification sets forth the invention in specific terms, it is to be understood that numerous changes in the shape, size and materials may be resorted to without departing from the spirit or scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

A display rack of the character described comprising a base, an upstanding plate pivoted to one end of the base, inverted U-shaped article supports, said base being provided with side members having openings therein, each of said inverted U-shaped article supports being constructed of an elongated member having its end portions turned outwardly to provide pintles for disposition through the openings of the side members, the upper or bight portion of the support being deformed to provide an inclined section terminating in an upstanding stop, and a narrow elongated U-shaped brace for the support, the same being secured at its free ends to the lower portions of the support and at its bight portion to the said inclined section of the support, the supports being adapted to be held in upright display position by said plate.

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