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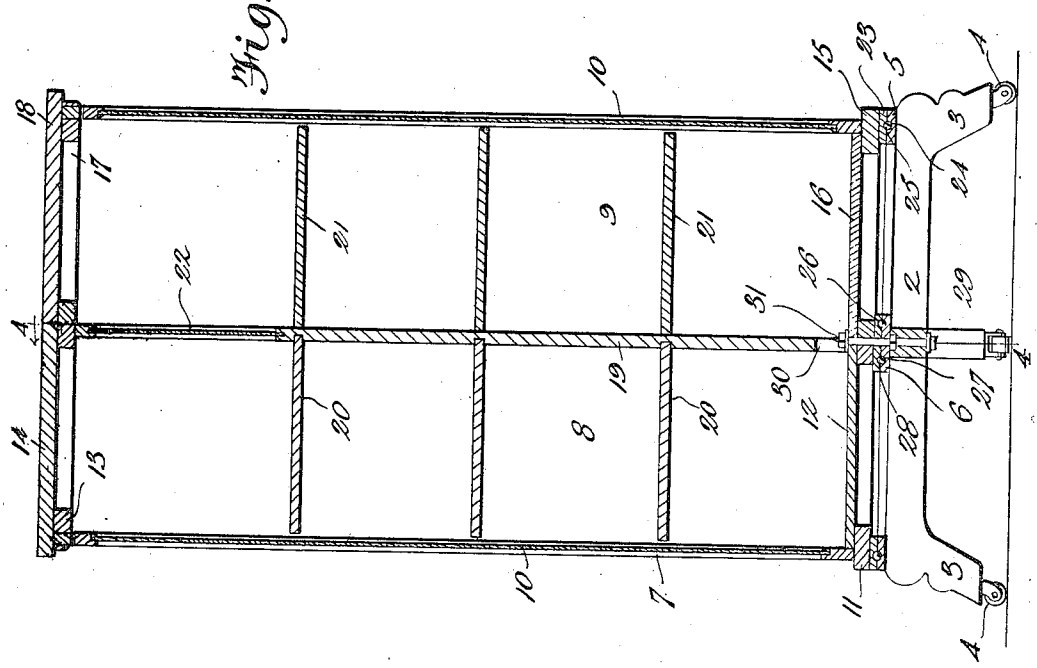
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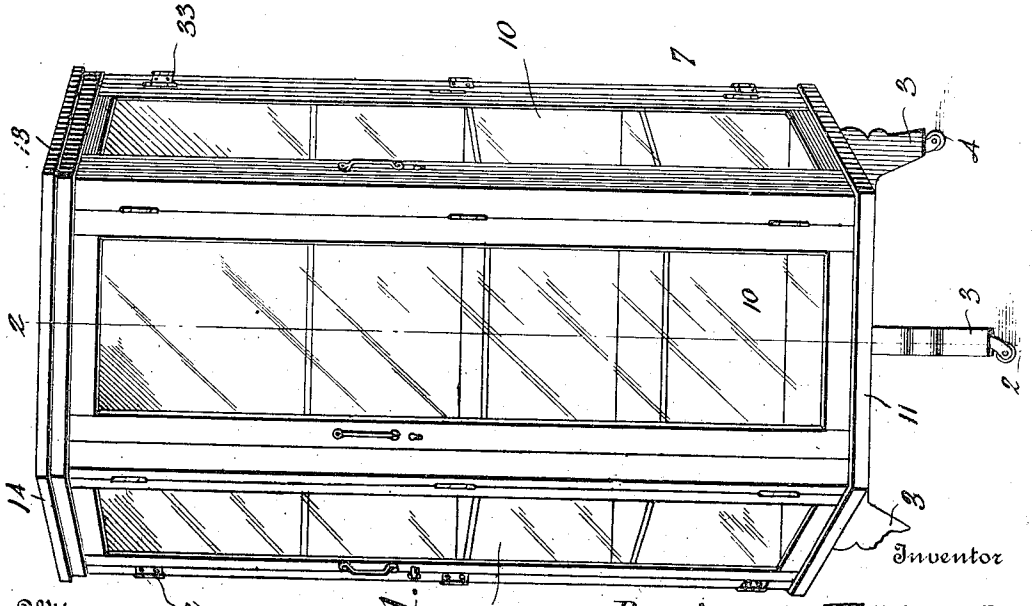


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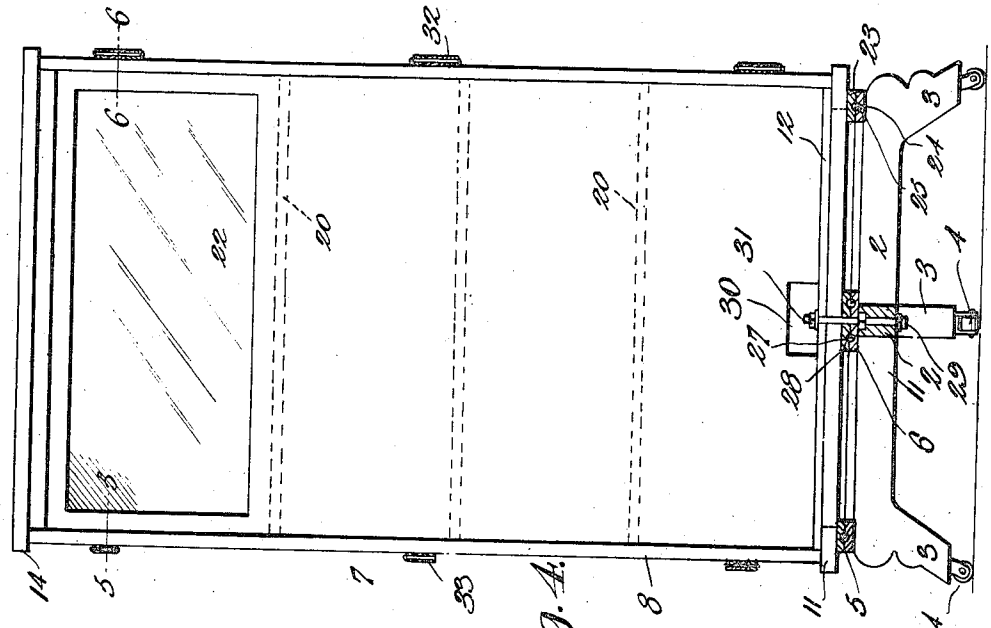


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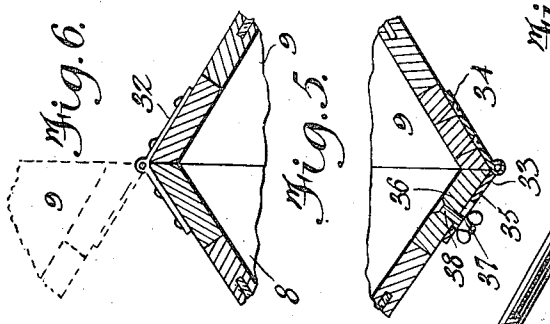


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. MIFFLIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at 212 Randel Ave., Trenton, in the county of Mercer and State of New Jersey, have invented new and useful Improvements in Display-Cabinets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improved display cabinet for use as a china closet and for other analogous uses, the object of the invention being to provide an improved cabinet of this class which consists of a supporting base and a body detachably and revolubly mounted on the base and which body comprises a pair of vertically divided members or halves, hinged together at one side and provided with means at the opposite side for detachably securing said device or members together, so that, when the body has been removed from the base and one half or member of the body is opened out from and extended in line with the other, the cabinet can be readily carried through a door way, or passage of restricted width.

The invention consists in the features of construction, combination, and arrangement of devices, hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a display cabinet constructed and arranged in accordance with my invention.

Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse sectional view of the same.

Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional view of the same showing the members of the body in normal position in full lines and one member opened outwardly and arranged in line with the other in dotted lines.

Fig. 4 is an elevation of the same, partly in section and on a plane at right angles to that of Fig. 2.

Fig. 5 is a detail sectional view, showing one of the means for detachably securing the body members together at one side.

Fig. 6 is a similar view showing one of the hinges for connecting the body members together at the opposite side.

The base 1 is here shown as comprising a pair of cross bars 2 provided at their outer ends with legs 3. The legs are preferably provided with casters 4. On the upper side of the base is secured a circular track member 5 and on the center of the base at its upper side is secured a circular hub member or plate 6.

The body 7 of the cabinet or closet is here shown as hexagonal and comprises a pair of halves or members 8, 9, each of which has a hinged and glazed door 10, in each of its walls. The member 8 has a bottom frame 11, a bottom 12, a top frame 13 and a top 14. The member 9 has a bottom frame 15, a bottom 16, a top frame 17, and a top 18. The member 8 also has a back wall 19 at its inner side and the said back wall forms a partition between the two members. The members are also shown as respectively provided with shelves 20, 21, and a mirror 22 may also be provided in the back or partition wall.

An upper track member 23 is also provided which is arranged above the track member 5, said track members or rings having annular ball races 24 in their opposing sides and in which bearing balls 25 are mounted. An upper hub member 26 is also provided which bears on the hub member 6, said hub members also having annular ball races 27 in their opposing sides and bearing balls 28 being mounted in said races. The body is secured on the base by a bolt 29 which passes through the center of the base and through openings in the hub plates, bottom frames and bottoms of the body members. An opening 30 is provided in the bottom center of the partition wall 19 to afford access to the bolt and enable the nut 31 thereon to be removed and replaced as required, when the parts of the cabinet are assembled and disassembled.

The body members of the cabinet are connected together at one side by hinges 32 and are detachably connected together at the opposite sides by any suitable means, hinged jointed hasps 33 being here shown for this purpose, each having a member 34 secured by screws to the body member 9 and a member 35 to bear on the body member 8 and provided with a slot 36 for engagement by a winged nut 37 on a bolt 38. Any suitable means may be employed within the scope of my invention for detachably securing the body members together at one side.

The member 9 may be opened from the member 8 and swung to a position in line therewith as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 3 to reduce the width of the body and enable the same to be readily carried through a nar-

row doorway or a restricted passage, the body having been first removed from the base, as will be understood.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the advantages of construction, and of the method of operation will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art to which the invention relates, and while I have described the principles of operation of the device together with the device which I now consider to be the best embodiment thereof, I desire to have it understood that the device shown is merely illustrative and that such changes may be made when desired as are within the scope of the appended claim.

Having described the invention, what is claimed is:

A cabinet of the class described comprising a base and a body detachably and revolubly mounted on the base, the base and body being respectively provided on the upper side and under the bottom with circular track members and also with centrally arranged hub members, said body comprising a pair of members separable on a vertical line intersecting the center of the body, said members having means detachably securing them together and each of said members having a bottom, and a pivot for the body comprising a bolt extending upwardly from the center of the base and arranged between the bottoms of the body members, said bolt being provided with a nut which bears on said bottoms so that the bolt serves to hold the body on the base, one of the body members having a back wall which forms a partition between the body members, said back wall having an opening at its lower end affording access to and permitting the removal of said nut of said bolt.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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