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MERCHANDISE-DISPLAY STAND.

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This invention relates to devices used for the display of merchandise in store and shops, and the object of the invention is to provide a stand for the purpose which is entirely self-contained; may be set up in a moment without the use of tools or fasteners; stands stably in position on a table, counter, or on the floor; presents an attractive and novel appearance, and when disassembled may be packed flat in a comparatively small space.

The invention is fully shown and described in the description and claims following, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Fig. 1 is a view in perspective of a stand embodying the invention, as in position for use. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same.

The upright, supporting members of the stand comprise a pair of bendable strips 5, preferably tapering upwardly somewhat, and provided with transverse foot-blocks 6. The supports are also provided with inner cleats 7 and outer cleats 8, and at the upper ends are slotted at 9 and preferably cut diagonally so as to form a seat for the inclined table 10, which has a correspondingly inclined cleat 11 fitting snugly in the slots. Below this, and resting on the outer cleats is a table 12 mortised at 13 to enclose the uprights. On the lower, inner cleats, rests another table 14. These various tables are well adapted to carry and display merchandise in great variety, as, for example, shoes, collars, hats, millinery, lingerie, hose, draped piece goods, etc.

Assuming the stand to be knocked down, its erection is the work of a moment. The operator, holding the upright strips with one hand, slips the table 14 between them and at rest on the cleats 7. The mortised table is then slipped down over the pair of uprights, which are bent inwardly enough to permit the table to rest on the outer cleats. The stand is then completely self-supporting, and needs no other fastening. If the topmost table is desired, as it usually would be, it is set in place by inserting its cleat in the adjacent slots at the upper ends of the standards, which fitting snugly on the cleat hold the table firmly enough for all practical purposes.

If temporarily not needed for display purposes, the stands may be quickly disassembled packed flat, and stored in a small space. The same is true as to shipment by rail, or other transportation.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

1. In a display stand, a pair of flexible uprights with supporting feet, and interposed table, supports therefor, and an upper table mortised to slide down over the uprights and hold them inwardly curved and with flaring feet.

2. In a display stand, a pair of flexible uprights with supporting feet, inwardly disposed supporting cleats, a table adapted to rest on said cleats, and upper table mortised to slip over the uprights as inwardly compressed, and cleats to limit the downward movement of said upper table.

3. In a display stand, a pair of flexible uprights with supporting feet, a lower table interposed between the uprights, an intermediate table mortised to embrace the uprights and hold them inwardly curved and tensionally against the lower table, and a topmost table with a depending cleat, the upper ends of the uprights being slotted to receive said cleat and hold it snugly in position.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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Fig. 1.

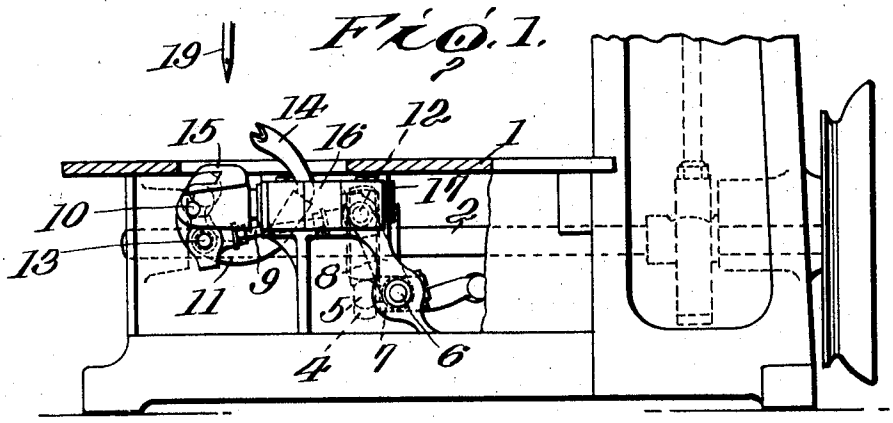


Fig. 2.

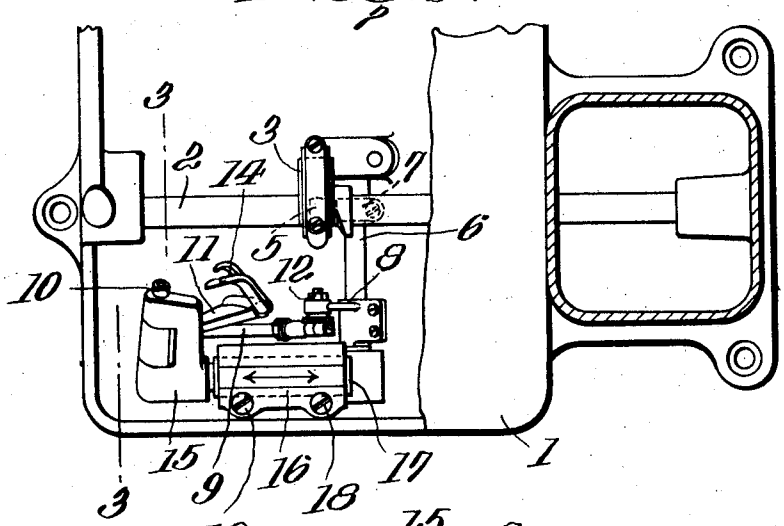
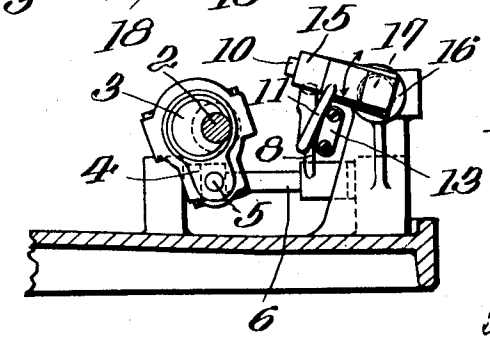


Fig. 3.



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