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Fig. 1.

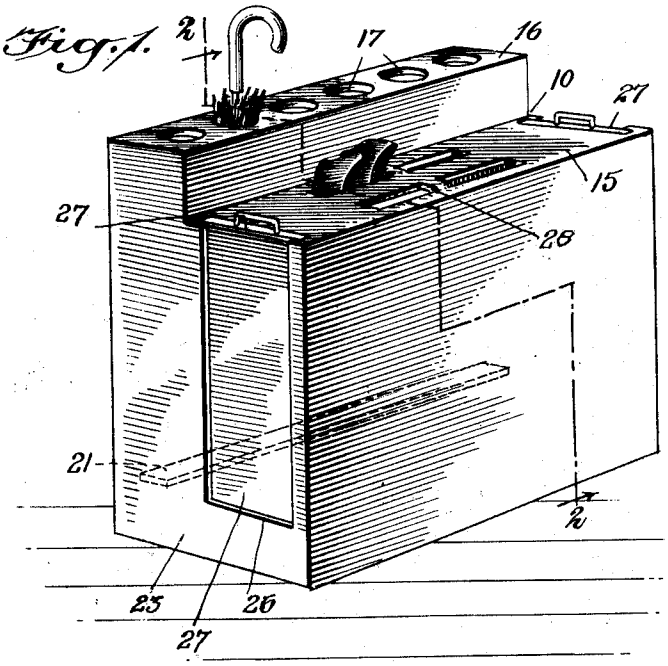


Fig. 2.

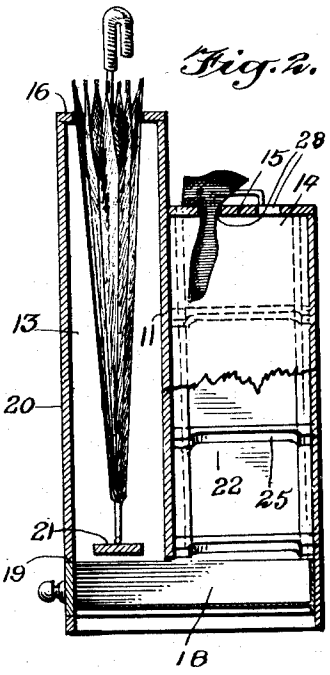
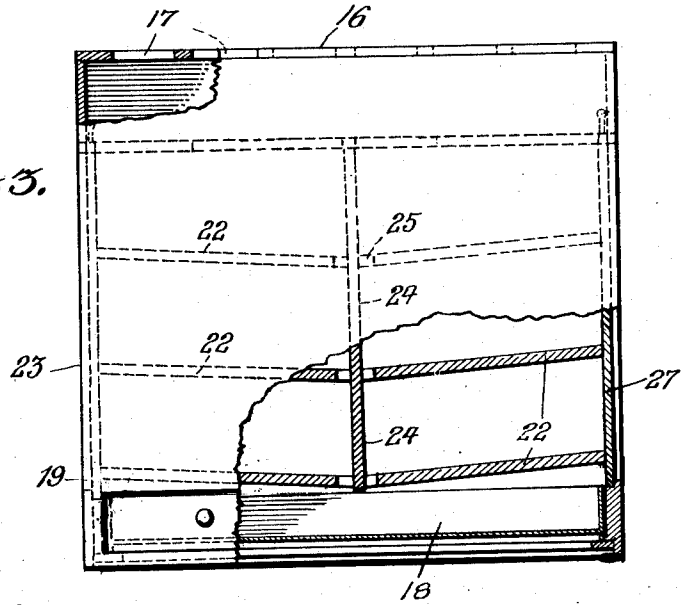


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to an article rack and has particular reference to a combined umbrella and overshoe rack which aims for its principal object to provide a simple, inexpensive, efficient means for supporting articles of this type whereby drying and draining of the same is facilitated.

The invention furthermore comprehends a rack for articles of the character specified which serves as a convenient means for supporting and concealing unsightly articles, such as overshoes, so that the same will be prevented from injuring polished floors, rugs, or the like, while such articles will always be in a place where they may be readily found when needed.

With the above recited and other objects in view, reference is had to the following specification and accompanying drawings in which there is exhibited one example or embodiment of the invention which is in no way intended as a limitation upon the scope of the appended claims as it is to be clearly understood that variations and modifications which properly fall within the scope of said claims may be resorted to when found expedient.

In the drawings—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a rack constructed in accordance with the invention as viewed from the rear;

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view therethrough taken approximately on the line indicated at 2—2 in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a face view with parts broken away and shown in section to disclose the underlying structure.

Referring to the drawings by characters of reference, the rack includes a body 10 sub-divided by a central vertical longitudinal partition 11 into front and rear compartments 13 and 14, the top wall 15 of the latter compartment being disposed in a plane below the top wall 16 of the former compartment. The former or front compartment 13 has its top wall formed with a plurality or row of openings 17 of a size to snugly fit about the upper end of an umbrella when closed. A drain pan 18 in the nature of a drawer is slidable through an opening 19 in the front wall 20 of the body and is designed to respectively underlie both the front and rear compartments when in its closed normal position. The front compartment 13 is provided with a relatively narrow longitudinal strip 21 upon which the lower ends of the umbrella sticks are adapted to rest, the drain water therefrom being adapted to gravitate into the drain pan or drawer 18.

The rear compartment 14 is provided with shelves 22 extending inwardly from its outer end walls 23 to a central partition 24. The partition 24 extends downwardly from the top wall 15 and terminates above the upper edge of the drain pan or drawer 18. The shelves 22 incline inwardly and downwardly and the lower inner ends are recessed at 25 to permit the same to drain into the pan 18. The end walls 23 are provided with openings 26 which are closed by closures 27 vertically slidable with respect to the openings.

The upper wall 15 of the rear compartment is provided with slots 28 medially thereof, and said slots are designed to receive rubbers which are inserted through the slots with the heels engaging over the upper wall 15 so that drain water therefrom will gravitate into the drain pan or drawer 18. By disposing the wall 15 of the rear compartment 14 below the upper wall 16 of the front compartment, it is obvious that the rubbers arranged in the slots 28 will be concealed from view of the casual observer.

From the foregoing it will thus be seen that an attractive, simple and efficient rack has been devised for containing and supporting umbrellas, rubbers, overshoes, and the like, so that the drain water therefrom will be led into a suitable receptacle therefor and prevented from draining on to floors or other coverings to their detriment.

What is claimed is:

1. As a new article of manufacture, a rack for supporting umbrellas, rubbers, overshoes and the like, including a casing sub-divided vertically from a point adjacent its lower end to its upper end to define a front umbrella-supporting compartment and a rear compartment for the reception of rubbers, overshoes, and like articles, a common receptacle subterposed with respect to the articles and within the casing for gravitationally receiving the drain water therefrom, the forward umbrella compartment extending above the upper end of the rear compartment to conceal from view articles projecting above the upper end of the rear compartment.

2. A combined umbrella and overshoe-supporting rack, including a body having a removable drain-water receptacle at its lower

end, and means superposed with respect to said receptacle for supporting the articles, the said body including a forward compartment having an open lower end and a closed upper end provided with umbrella-receiving openings, an umbrella-supporting strip at the lower end of said compartment, a rear compartment having its upper wall disposed below the upper wall of the front compartment, shelves at the opposite sides of the rear compartment for overshoes, the upper wall of said rear compartment having slots for the reception of rubbers, doorways in the opposite ends of the rear compartment and closures therefor to facilitate the gaining of access to the shelves.

3. A combined umbrella and overshoe-supporting rack, including a body having a removable drain-water receptacle at its lower end, and means superposed with respect to said receptacle for supporting the articles, the said body including a forward compartment having an open lower end and a closed upper end provided with umbrella-receiving openings, an umbrella-supporting strip at the lower end of said compartment, a rear compartment having its upper wall disposed below the upper wall of the front compartment, shelves at the opposite sides of the rear compartment for overshoes, the upper wall of said rear compartment having slots for the reception of rubbers, doorways in the opposite ends of the rear compartment and closures therefor to facilitate the gaining of access to the shelves, the shelves being inclined inwardly and downwardly to permit the drain water from the articles supported on the shelves to drain into the drain receptacle.

4. A combination umbrella and overshoe rack, comprising a body sub-divided by a vertical transverse partition into front and rear compartments, the front compartment having an upper wall formed with umbrella-receiving openings and provided at its lower end with a transverse strip upon which the lower ends of the umbrella sticks are adapted to rest, the rear compartment having the upper wall disposed in a plane below the upper wall of the front compartment provided with central slots for receiving and supporting rubbers, inwardly and downwardly inclined shelves in the opposite ends of the rear compartment whereby drain water from the articles supported thereon will gravitate therefrom, the end walls of the rear compartment having openings therein and sliding closures therefor, and a subterposed drain pan underlying both of said compartments and adapted to receive the drain water from the various articles supported by and contained in the rack.

5. A combination umbrella and overshoe rack, comprising a body sub-divided by a vertical transverse partition into front and rear compartments, the front compartment having an upper wall formed with umbrella-receiving openings and provided at its lower end with a transverse strip upon which the lower ends of the umbrella sticks are adapted to rest, the rear compartment having the upper wall disposed in a plane below the upper wall of the front compartment and provided with central slots for receiving and supporting rubbers, inwardly and downwardly inclined shelves in the opposite ends of the rear compartment, whereby drain water from the articles supported thereon will gravitate therefrom, the end walls of the rear compartment having openings therein and sliding closures therefor, and a subterposed drain pan underlying both of said compartments and adapted to receive the drain water from the various articles supported by and contained in the rack, the said drain receptacle being removable from the body for emptying the drain water therefrom

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