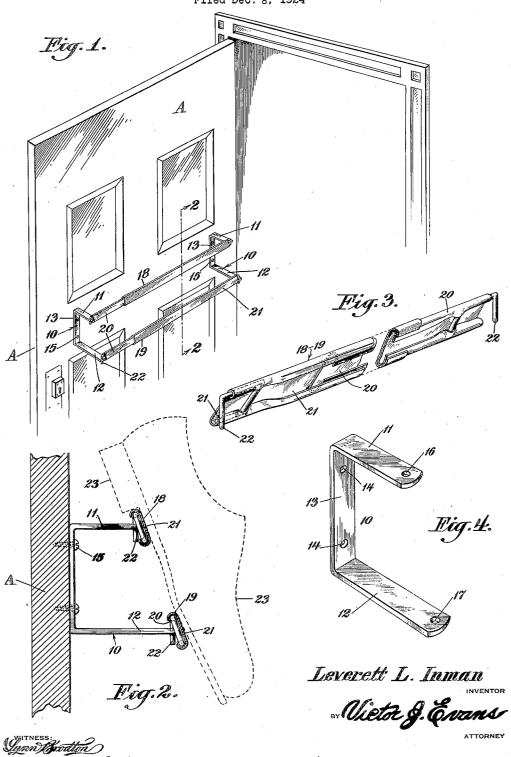
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This invention relates to improvements in sloe racks and has for its primary object the provision of a device for conveniently supporting a plurality of shoes upon structure such as the door of a closet, in a neat and orderly manner.

Another object of the invention resides in shoe rack which is adjustable to permit the length of the same to be varied according to the width of the door or other structure to which the same is adapted to be applied.

A further object of the invention is to provide a shoe rack of the type mentioned which is simple in construction, cheap of manufacture and easy to apply or remove

from a supporting structure.

With these and other objects in view, the invention resides in certain novel construction and combination and arrangement of parts, the essential features of which are hereinafter fully described, are particularly pointed out in the appended claims, and are illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improve shoe rack applied to the rear of a

door.

Figure 2 is a transverse sectional view on the line 2—2 of Figure 1 and showing in 30 dotted lines the position of a shoe supported thereon.

Figure 3 is a detail perspective view of one of the adjustable supporting rods.

Figure 4 is a detail perspective view of

35 one of the attaching brackets

Referring more particularly to the drawing, the reference numeral 10—10 designates a pair of supporting brackets which are U-shaped in configuration to provide a short 40 leg 11, and a relatively long leg 12 which are disposed in a horizontal plane when in position. The connecting leg 13 between the legs 11 and 12 is formed with openings 14 for receiving suitable fastening elements in the nature of screws or the like 15. The brackets 10 are shown in the drawing as arranged in spaced relation upon the back of a door A adjacent the side edges of the same and may be positioned at any height desired, 50 but in horizontal alignment.

The leg 11 of each bracket is formed with an opening 16, while the legs 12 extend beyond the legs 11 and each is formed with an

opening 17.

Rods 18 and 19 respectively, connect the legs 11 and 12 and each comprises a pair of

slidable telescoping channel shaped sections 20 and 21 which have their longitudinal edges curved upon themselves as shown in Figure 3. In the present instance, the rods 60 are shown as relatively flat, but it is to be understood that tubular rods may be employed if desired. The end of the curved portions of each section is rolled to provide a clamp for a substantial U-shaped member, 65 and one arm of the U-shaped member is clamped in the rolled portions while the opposite arm is free and arranged out of alignment therewith in a manner to provide a pin 22 for reception in the respective open- 70 ings 16 and 17 whereby to support the rods in a manner to permit easy removal of the same when it is desired to change the position of the rack. It will be noted that the rods may be adjusted to various lengths de-75 pending upon the width of the door to which the device is adapted to be attached. In practice, the lower rod is disposed further from the door than the upper rod and the heel of the shoe 23 shown in dotted 80 lines in Figure 2 of the drawing is positioned in contact with the upper rod while the sole of the shoe rests upon the lower rod. Any number of pairs of shoes may be supported in a row in a neat and orderly man- 85 ner for instant removal. The novel arrangement of the arms of the U-shaped member dispose the flat faces of the rods at an angle so the shoes rest upon the flat faces, thereby providing a relatively broad supporting 90 surface.

While I have described what I deem to be the most desirable embodiment of my invention, it is obvious that many of the details may be varied without in any-way departing from the spirit of my invention, and I therefore do not limit myself to the exact details of construction herein set forth nor to anything less than the whole of my invention limited only by the appended 100 claims.

What is claimed as new is:-

1. A shoe rack comprising a pair of brackets including a relatively short leg and a relatively long leg and being adapted 105 to be secured in alignment to a support with the short legs above the long legs, said legs being provided with openings in their free ends, rods each including telescoping sections having their longitudinal edges curved 110 upon themselves with the ends of the curved portions rolled to provide clamps, a sub-

stantially U-shaped member arranged in the roll portion with one arm thereof clamped therein while the other arm is free and forms a pin to be received in the openings of the legs as and for the purpose specified.

2. A shoe rack comprising a pair of brackets including a relative short leg and a relative long leg and being adapted to be secured in alignment to a support with the short legs above the long legs, said legs having openings in their free ends, rods including telescoping sections of flat channel shape formation and having their longitudinal edges curved upon themselves with the

ends of the curved portions rolled to provide clamps, roubstantially U-shaped member arranged in the roll portions with one arm of the U-shaped member clamped in the roll portions while the other arm is free and arranged out of alignment with its 20 companion arm to form a pin to be received in the openings in a manner to arrange the flat portions of the channel shaped members at an inclination.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my 25

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