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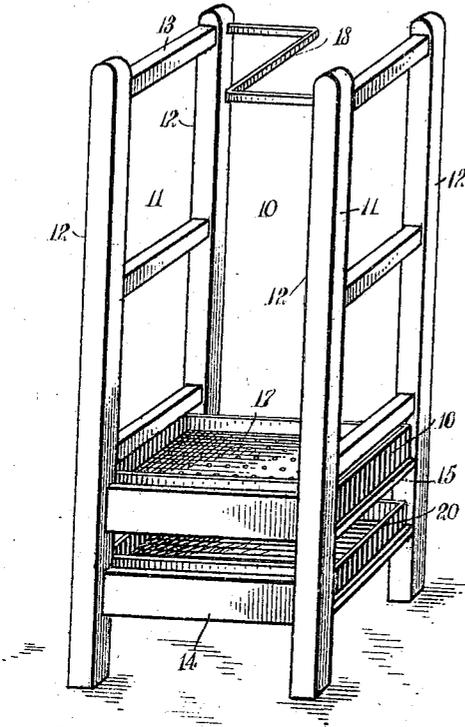


Fig. 1.

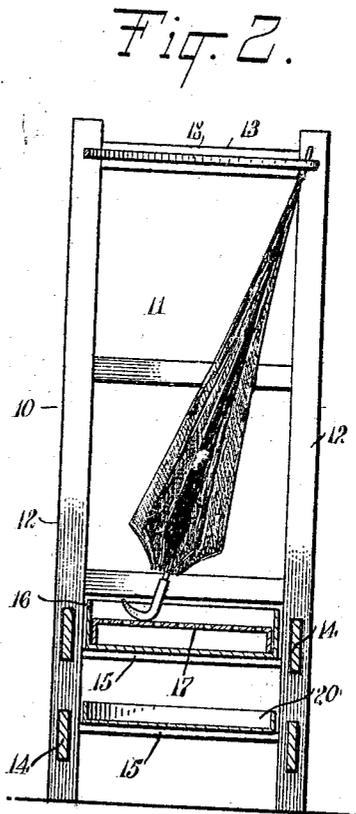


Fig. 2.

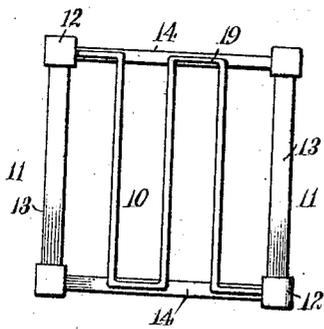


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER P. McMENAMIN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and Improved Umbrella-Stand, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to stands for umbrellas, canes and the like, and has reference more particularly to a stand comprising a frame formed to receive umbrellas or other like articles, and having a holder adapted to have the umbrellas rest against it in positions such that they can easily drain when wet, and out of engagement with one another.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple, strong and durable stand or rack for umbrellas, canes, overshoes and for other articles, which is clean, sanitary, and ornamental in appearance, which can be fashioned from different kinds of material, which permits wet umbrellas to drain and dry quickly, in which the umbrellas or other articles can be separated so that if some of the umbrellas are wet they will not moisten the others, and which is so constructed that the umbrellas can be easily placed in it or removed therefrom without tearing the fabric, or bending or breaking the ribs.

The invention consists in the construction and combination of parts to be more fully described hereinafter and particularly set forth in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of an embodiment of my invention; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the stand, showing an umbrella positioned therein; and Fig. 3 is a plan view of a modified form of the stand.

Before proceeding to a more detailed explanation of my invention, it should be clearly understood that while the same is particularly useful as a stand or rack for holding umbrellas when the same are not in use, it can also be advantageously employed for other articles such as canes, walking sticks, golf clubs or the like, and has in addition a tray or other suitable receptacle

for overshoes and similar articles. While I have shown for example, a stand fashioned wholly from wood, any other material adapted for the purpose can be employed, for example, metal. Certain of the details of construction form no part of the invention and can be varied in accordance with individual preference and special conditions, without departing from the underlying spirit of the invention.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, I provide a stand having a frame, consisting of side members, each having a pair of spaced posts or uprights. These are connected by rails joined thereto by any approved method of carpentry, and for example, three in number. The topmost rail is near the upper extremities of the uprights, while the lowermost rail is spaced a substantial distance above the other ends or feet of the uprights, which rest upon the floor. The frames are connected by side bars joining corresponding uprights, and located near the lower ends of the uprights. Supporting or carrier bars extend between the uprights of each pair, substantially at the levels of the side bars.

Upon the upper pair of carrier bars is located a pan fashioned from sheet metal or any other suitable material, and movably associated with the frame. Within the pan is a grating member consisting of a perforated metal body having downwardly disposed edge flanges which space it above the bottom of the pan. A holder, consisting in the preferred form, of a bar of metal Z form, is secured to two diagonally opposite uprights, near the upper extremities thereof, and is adapted to have the umbrellas or other articles rest against it as is shown in Fig. 2, the lower ends of the articles resting upon the grating member. If wet umbrellas are placed in the stand, they are preferably located with the handles downward, as is shown in Fig. 2. The moisture from the umbrellas can then drain into the pan and collect there. The grating member holds the umbrellas above the bottom of the pan and out of the water which collects there. The Z-shaped holder forms two spaces, so that numbers of umbrellas can be held apart if so desired. It constitutes with the frame, three-sided receivers open at the sides of the frame, so that the

umbrella or other articles can be easily introduced into the same.

In Fig. 3 I have shown a modified form of the device, in which the holder 18 is replaced by a differently formed holder 19 which has successively offset or U-shaped portions, and extends from one upright to a diagonally opposite upright, dividing the frame into more than two spaces. As shown for example, the holder 19 is shaped to receive the umbrellas or other articles in four separated groups. The holder 19 also forms with the sides of the frame, and in itself, three-sided receivers open at the sides. The members 18 and 19 are contiguous and extend across from the same, preferably from one upright to a second upright, diagonally across the first.

Upon the lower pair of carrier bars 15 is removably positioned a tray 20. This is preferably fashioned from sheet metal, and may be of any suitable depth. It is adapted to receive overshoes or any other articles which it is desired to place in the stand. As the tray is water-tight it will prevent the escape of moisture from the articles, should they be wet, on to the floor.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A stand, comprising a frame having rails, a pan carried by said frame, and a Z-shaped bar extending across said frame, between said rails, and forming therewith three-sided receivers open at the sides of said frame, and adapted to receive umbrellas supported upon said pan, so that the umbrellas can rest against said bar.

2. A stand, comprising a frame having uprights, carrier bars connecting certain of said uprights, a pan removably positioned upon said bars, and a holder above said pan, said holder consisting of a bar extending from one of said uprights to another of said uprights located diagonally across from said first upright, said bar having oppositely offset parts forming three-sided receivers open at the sides of said frame and adapted to receive umbrellas supported upon said pan.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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