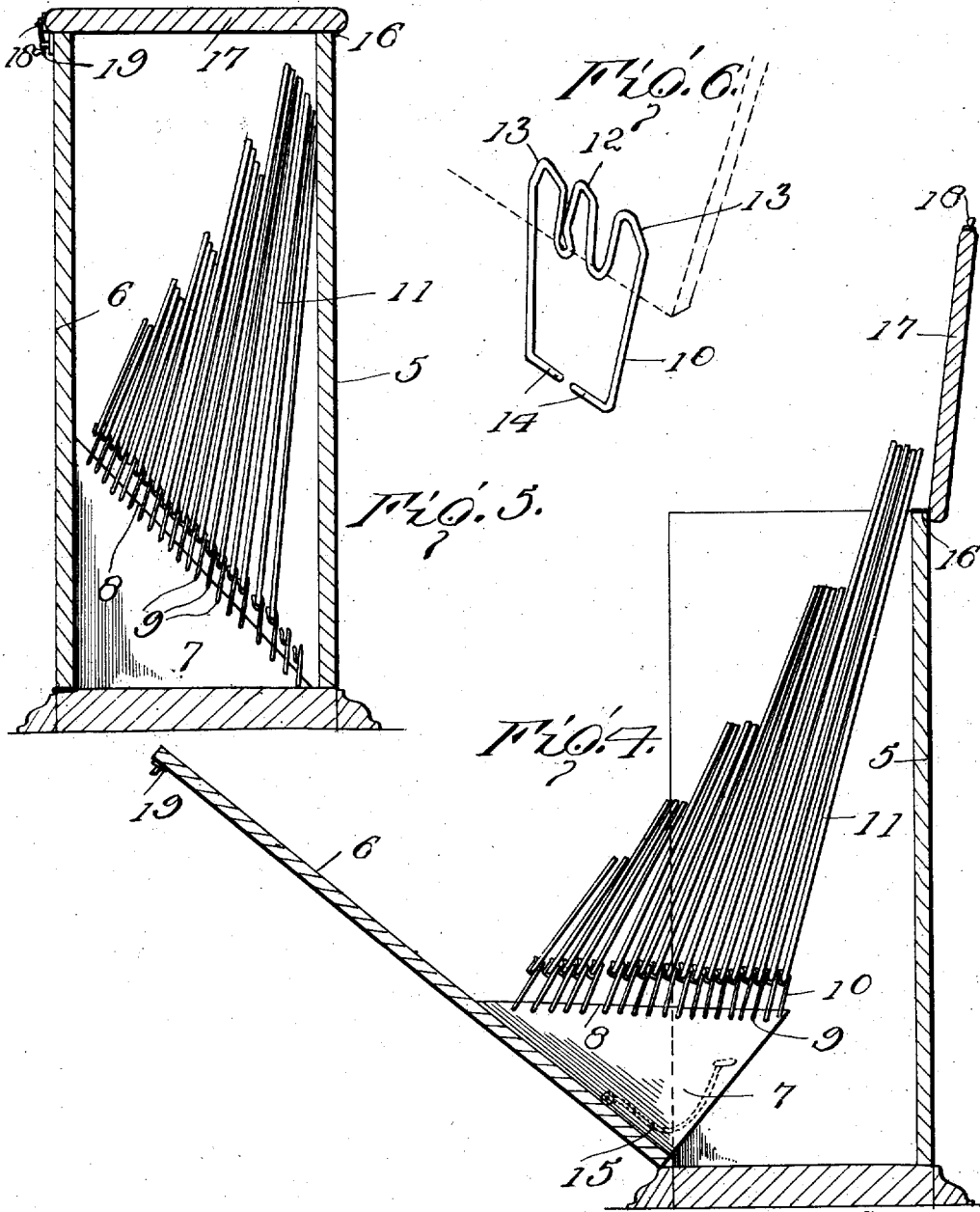


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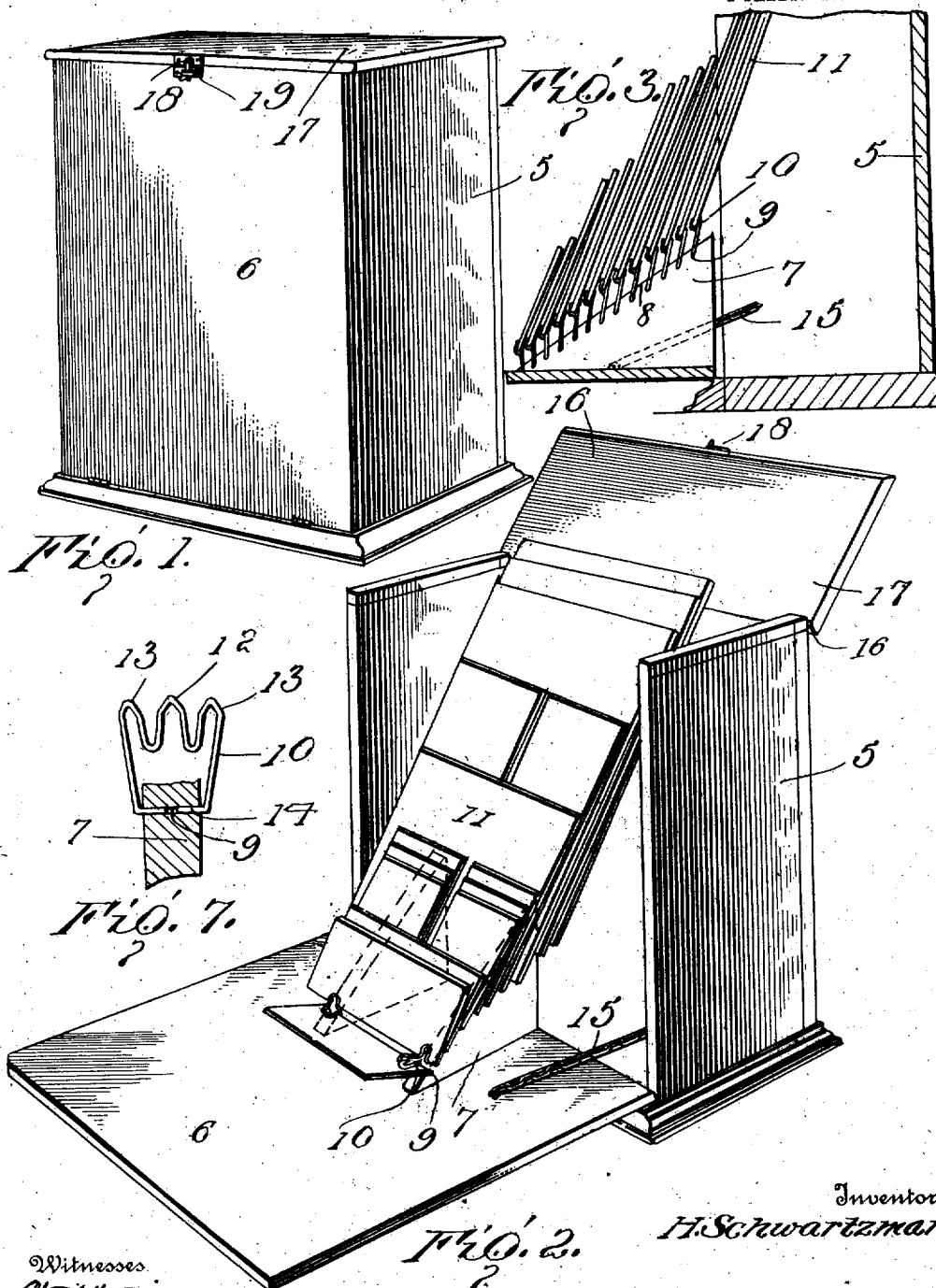
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARRY SCHWARTZMAN, citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Cabinets for Photographs, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to display stands or holders for photographs and the like and has for its object the provision of a comparatively simple and thoroughly efficient device of this character, designed to take the place of the ordinary album and by means of which photographs may be successively presented to view for inspection and effectually housed and protected when not on exhibition.

A further object is to provide a photograph holder including a cabinet having a pivoted door or closure on the inner face of which are mounted brackets for supporting the photographs or other articles to be exhibited so that when the door is opened, the photographs will be presented in a convenient position for inspection and when the door is closed, said photographs will be housed within the cabinet.

A further object is to provide a novel form of clip for supporting the photographs in the brackets of the door or closure, said clips being pivotally connected with the brackets and so arranged as to permit the display of photographs of different sizes.

A still further object of the invention is generally to improve this class of devices so as to increase their utility, durability and efficiency, as well as to reduce the cost of manufacture.

Further objects and advantages will appear in the following description, it being understood that various changes in form, proportions and minor details of construction may be resorted to within the scope of the appended claims.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction and the means for effecting the result, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a photographic display stand or holder constructed in accordance with my invention, showing the pivoted door in closed position; Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the pivoted door in opened position; Fig. 3 is a detail verti-

cal sectional view, showing the inclination of the photographs when the door is opened; Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view showing the position assumed by the photographs when the pivoted door is partially closed; Fig. 5 is a vertical sectional view of Fig. 1; Fig. 6 is a detail perspective view of one of the picture supporting clips; Fig. 7 is a vertical sectional view showing the manner of mounting the picture supporting clip in the adjacent bracket.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The improved photograph holder forming the subject matter of the present invention comprises a cabinet 5, preferably rectangular in shape, as shown and having a movable front wall 6 constituting a pivoted door or closure.

Secured to the inner face of the pivoted closure 6 are spaced supporting brackets 7, preferably triangular in shape, as shown and having their inner ends disposed flush with the pivoted edge of the door 6 and their upper faces inclined in the direction of said closure, as indicated at 8.

The brackets 7 are provided with a plurality of spaced transversely disposed openings 9 arranged near the inclined faces 8 of said brackets and adapted to receive spring clips 10 for supporting photographs, indicated at 11.

The clips 10 are each preferably formed of a single piece of wire, the intermediate portion of which is bent to produce a spring tongue 12, the wire being thence bent upon itself to form oppositely disposed arms 13 offset with respect to the tongue 12 so as to permit the insertion of the lower edge of a photograph between the tongue and said arms, the wire after the arms 13 are formed being extended downwardly and thence inwardly to form spring fingers 14 which enter the adjacent opening 9 and form the pivotal axis of the clip, as shown.

By having the clips 10 pivotally mounted on the brackets 7 in the manner described, the photographs 11 may be successively turned over face down on the pivoted door or closure 6 so as to present the different photographs for inspection.

Secured to the inner walls of the cabinet are chains or other flexible connections 15, which latter are secured to the pivoted door

or closure 6 and serve to receive the weight of the door when the latter is moved to open position.

Pivotally mounted at 16 on the rear wall of the cabinet is a top or cover 17, the free edge of which is provided with a catch 18 adapted to engage a suitable keeper 19 on the adjacent end of the movable door or closure 6.

In using the device, the catch is released from the keeper 19, after which the door or closure 6 is swung downwardly to horizontal position which causes the rear photographs to press against and elevate the pivoted top of the cabinet and the front photographs to assume an inclined position on the supporting brackets, the pivotal connection between the brackets and picture supporting clips permitting the photographs or pictures to assume this position during the opening movement of the door or closure 6. When the door 6 is swung upwardly to closed position, the brackets 7 will bear against the bottom of the cabinet and thus draw the rear photographs downwardly within the cabinet so that all of said photographs are effectually housed and protected against dust and other foreign matter when the device is not in use.

It will of course be understood that after the door 6 is closed, the cover 17 will be swung downwardly and secured in closed position by inserting the catch 18 in the keeper 19, as before stated.

Any number of brackets or supports may be secured to the inner face of the closure 6 and any suitable kind of clip may be employed in connection with the brackets for supporting the pictures or photographs.

While the cabinet is principally designed to be supported on a table or stand, it will of course be understood that said cabinet may be suspended from a wall or other vertical support or said cabinet made in a plurality of sections, without departing from the spirit of the invention. It will also be understood that the cabinet may be made in different sizes and shapes and provided with any desired surface ornamentation in order to present an attractive appearance.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A display stand including a cabinet having a door pivoted to swing downwardly,

a supporting bracket rigidly secured to the inner face of the door, and picture supporting clips pivotally mounted on the bracket, the pictures carried by said clips being movable with the door to display position when said door is opened and housed within said cabinet when the door is closed.

2. A display stand including a cabinet having a door pivoted to swing downwardly, a supporting bracket rigidly secured to the inner face of the door and having a flat vertically disposed rear face adapted to bear against the bottom of the cabinet when the door is in closed position, and picture supporting members pivotally mounted on the bracket, the pictures being housed within the cabinet when the door is closed and movable with the door to display position when said door is opened.

3. A display stand including a cabinet having a pivoted top and provided with a movable front wall pivoted to swing downwardly and constituting a door, a bracket secured to the inner face of the door near the pivotal axis thereof, and picture supporting clips pivotally mounted on the bracket, some of the pictures supported by said clips being adapted to bear against and elevate the pivoted top of the cabinet when the front wall thereof is moved to open position.

4. A display stand including a cabinet having a pivoted top and provided with a front wall pivoted to swing downwardly and constituting a door, a bracket secured to the inner face of the door and provided with an inclined upper edge, there being a plurality of transverse openings formed in the bracket and in spaced relation to the inclined edge thereof, and picture supporting clips, each provided with inwardly extending spring fingers adapted to enter the adjacent openings in the bracket, said pictures being normally housed within the cabinet and movable to display position when the door is opened, some of said pictures being adapted to bear against and elevate the pivoted top of the cabinet when the door thereof is opened.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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