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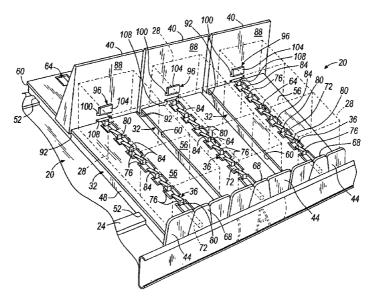
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(54) Title: PRODUCT DISPLAY AND FRONTING ASSEMBLY



(57) Abstract: In some embodiments, a product fronting assembly includes a rotatable rear member and an elongated member extending to a handle at a front of the assembly. The rear member in some embodiments is rotatable to permit rear product loading in the assembly. Alternatively or in addition, the rear member is rotatable between a position in which forward handle movement fronts product and another position in which such handle movement does not front product. In some embodiments, a ratchet mechanism enables a handle to be returned to a stowed position after fronting product. A cable or strip can connect a handle to a rear member used to move the product. A portion of the cable or strip can be wound in a coil within or at least partially defining an assembly handle. Also, in some embodiments the assembly can be snap-fit upon a shelf.



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BOX III. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKI This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate the concept under pct rule in the concept unde	e not so linked as to form a single general inventive				
Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a product fronting assembly.					
Group II, claims 14-35 and 36-44, drawn to a product fronting assembly.					
Group III, claims 45-63, drawn to a product fronting assembly.					
Group IV, claims 64-78, drawn to a product fronting assembly.					
The inventions listed as Groups I-IV do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:					
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