

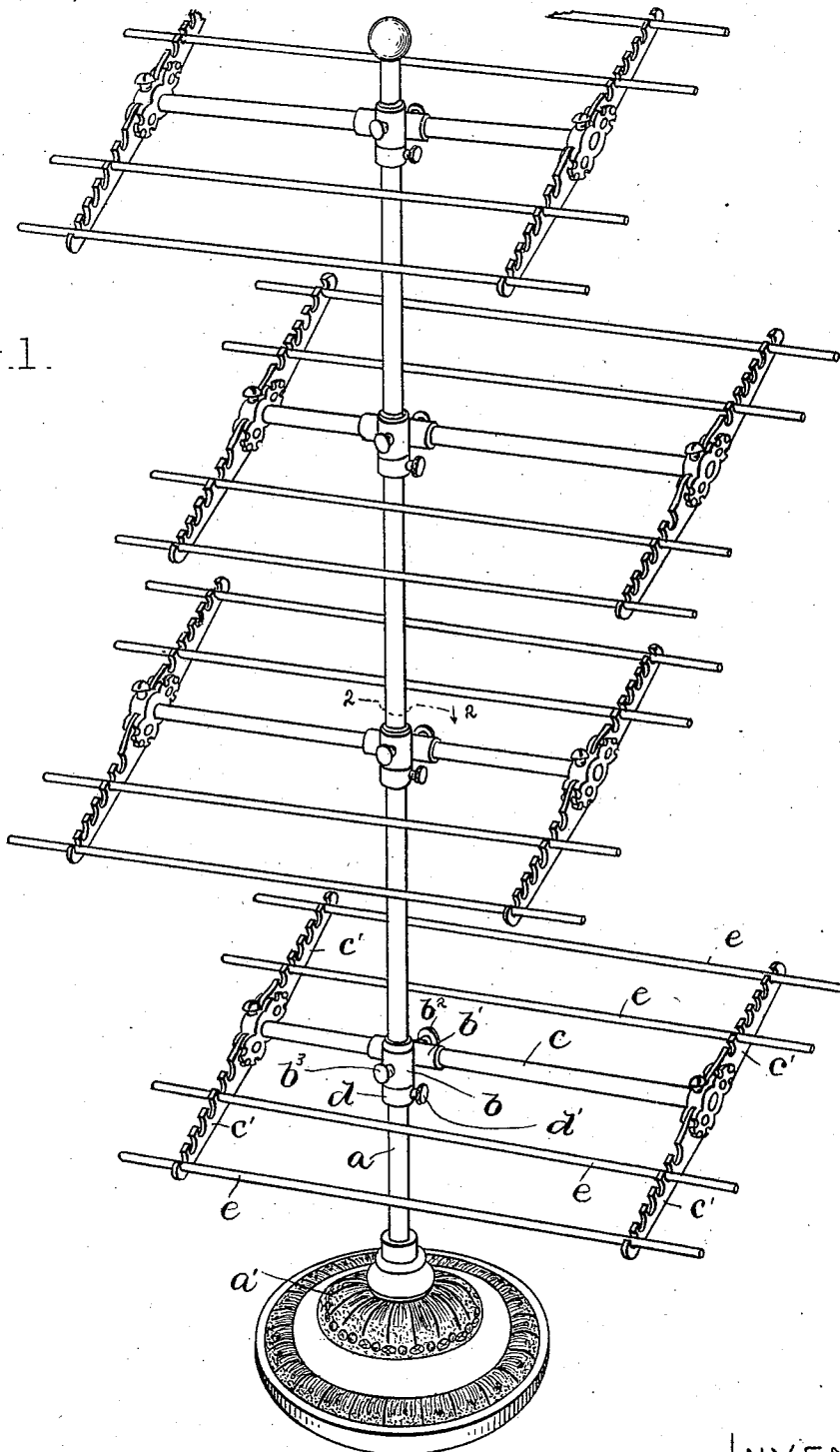
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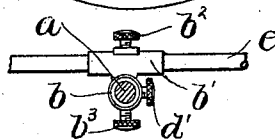
FIG. 1.



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FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS F. MCGANN, of Somerville, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Racks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to appliances for displaying goods in shop-windows and elsewhere, and it has for its object to provide a simple and convenient display appliance adapted to be adjusted so as to afford considerable scope for the exercise of taste and skill in the arrangement of goods.

The invention consists in the improvements which I will now proceed to describe and claim.

Of the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a display appliance embodying my improvements. Fig. 2 represents a section on line 2 2 of Fig. 1, looking downwardly.

The same letters of reference indicate the same parts in both figures.

In the drawings, *a* represents a vertical cylindrical standard mounted on a suitable base *a'*.

b represents a sleeve formed to surround said standard and to move vertically as well as to rotate thereon.

b' represents a transverse sleeve affixed to the sleeve *b* and arranged at right angles therewith, so that when the sleeve *b* is in place on the standard the sleeve *b'* will occupy a horizontal position at one side of the standard.

c represents a rod supported by and adapted to rotate in the sleeve *b'*, said rod being provided at its ends with arms *c'*, which, as here shown, are notched to engage the rods *e* employed to support the goods that are to be displayed on the appliance. The sleeve *b'* is provided with a clamping device, such as a set-screw *b²*, adapted to lock the rod *c* to the sleeve *b'* in any position to which said rod may be turned, thereby securing the arms *c'* at any angle to which they may be adjusted.

Means are provided for supporting the sleeve *b* at any desired height upon the standard *a*, said means, as here shown, comprising a collar *d*, secured to the standard

by a set-screw *d'* and supporting the sleeve *b*. I have also shown a set-screw *b³* engaged with the sleeve *b* and adapted to secure the latter to the standard.

Each set of the above-mentioned devices comprises a complete shelf or support, and as many of said shelves may be employed on the standard *a* as may be desired. It will be seen that the facility of adjustment afforded by the above-described construction will enable a display appliance comprising a standard and plurality of said supports or shelves to be arranged in a variety of different ways, according to the taste of the decorator. For example, the shelves may be disposed at different angles, or may radiate or project in different directions from the standard, thus giving a spiral effect, or one may be adjusted so as to project mainly from one side of the standard, the next projecting mainly from the opposite side, and so on. The arms *c'* may be disposed horizontally or vertically or at any desired intermediate angle and held by the set-screws *b²*.

I claim—

A display-rack comprising a standard *a*, a sleeve *b* surrounding the standard and vertically movable thereon, means for supporting the said sleeve at any height to which it may be adjusted on the standard, a sleeve *b'* affixed to the sleeve *b* at one side of the latter, the sleeve *b'* being arranged at right angles with the sleeve *b* and offset therefrom, so that it extends continuously across the sleeve *b* and across the standard, a rod *c* extending through the sleeve *b'* and adapted both to move endwise and to rotate therein, two pairs of arms *c'* affixed to the end portions of said rod, and a set-screw *b²* engaged with the socket *b'* and adapted to hold the rod *c* therein at any position to which it may be adjusted, the arms *c'* being connected by the rod *c* and simultaneously adjustable by movements of said rod.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 17th day of April, A. D. 1895.

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