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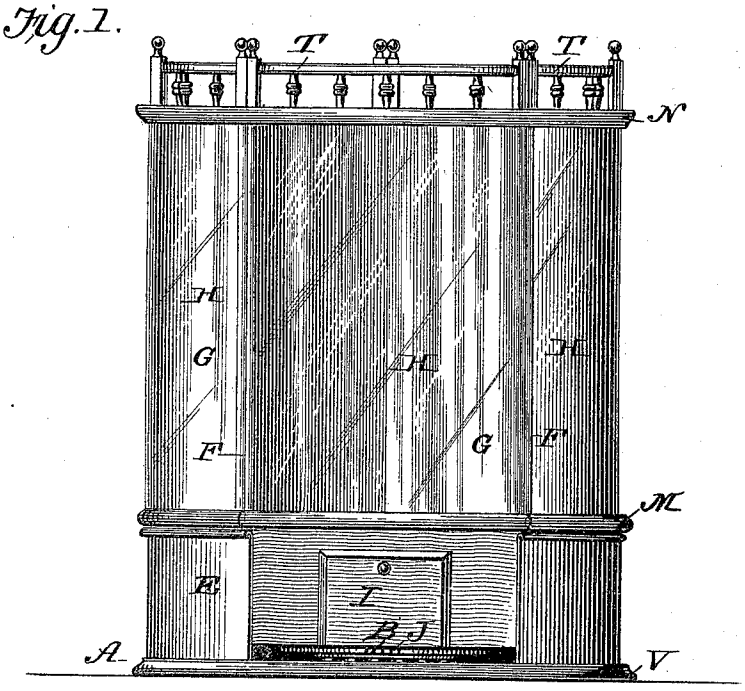
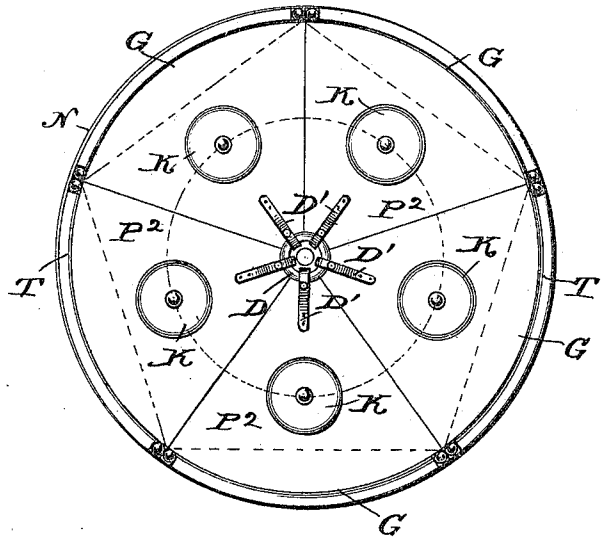


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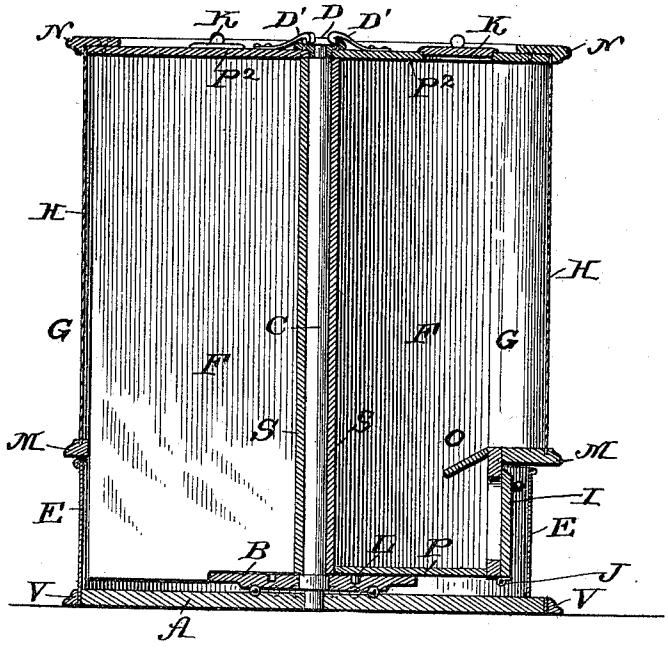
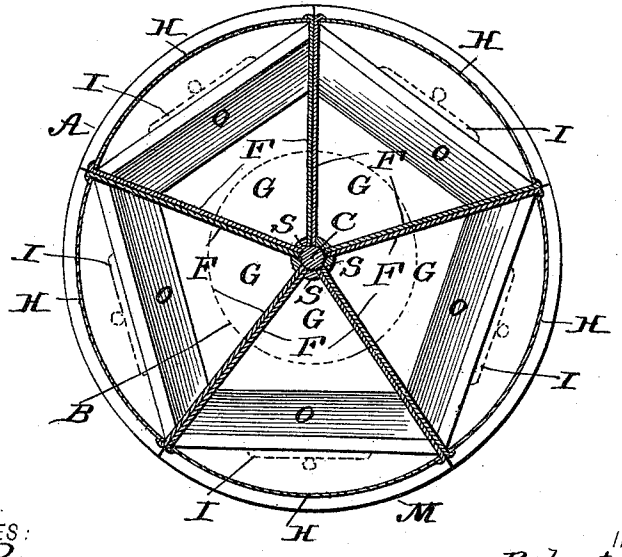


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ROBERT W. LEVITT and CHARLES W. HUNT, of Somerset, in the county of Perry and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Revolving Show-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object of our invention is to provide a revolving show-case which shall be made in sections so arranged as to permit any one of them to be conveniently taken out, cleaned, and refilled without moving or disturbing the rest of the case, and which shall be so inclosed and secured that while readily accessible to the proprietor its contents cannot be reached or tampered with by outsiders. It operates on the general principle of a central standard turning in a seat or step bearing in a base; and it consists in the peculiar construction and arrangement of the body portion whereby the objects of our invention are attained, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

Figure 1 is a side elevation of our show-case. Fig. 2 is a vertical central section. Fig. 3 is a horizontal transverse section, and Fig. 4 is a top plan view.

In the drawings, A represents the circular base, made, preferably, of seven-eighths-inch poplar mortised, tenoned, and glued. B is a revolving collar connected to a central vertical standard or post C, but revolving together on the base and both made of hard wood. The lower end of the post extends through a hole in the base, and the collar B has between it and the base a series of ball-bearings, as shown in Fig. 2.

G are the detachable triangular sections of the case formed by side pieces F F of three-eighths-inch poplar, a convex front panel H, of glass, and a narrow back strip S near the center. P is the bottom of each section and P^2 the top, which latter has an opening closed by a removable cover K. The bottom or floor P of each section has a dowel-pin L, that loosely fits in a hole in the top of collar B to hold it in place, while the top part P^2 of each section has near the center a radially-arranged spring catch or hook D′, that catches into a hollow cup D, surmounting the central post C and forming a locking-keeper. This pin L and spring-catch D′ form the means for assembling and holding the sections to the post and yet readily removing each one therefrom by simply raising the spring-catch D′ out of the cup D and lifting the section G, with its subjacent pin L, off the collar B.

Around the edge of the base A there is erected a standing skirt or flange E, of sheet metal, secured permanently to the periphery of the base by an external strip of molding V. This flange extends all around the base, except the width of one of the sections G, so that when any one of these sections is turned opposite this opening in the flange said section may be readily detached and withdrawn.

The upper edge of each glass panel is retained by a curved segment of molding N, and the lower edge is received in a corresponding segment of molding M, which stands just above the metal skirt or flange E. The face of each section G below this glass panel is straight and forms one side of a regular polygon, and in this face there opens a door I, having a spring-hinge J at the bottom. Through this door I at the bottom and K at the top access may be had to the interior of each section to remove and replace articles to be displayed therein and to clean out the case.

O is a guard-flange projecting inwardly and downwardly to prevent easy tampering with the contents of the section.

On top of each section there is formed as a segment of a circle an ornamental balustrade or crest T, which when the sections are all in place form a complete circular balustrade or crest.

Our invention may be used for a show-case, cabinet, or any other analogous use.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A show-case or cabinet consisting of a base, a rotary standard with a rigid supporting-collar at the bottom, and a cup-shaped keeper at the top, a series of detachable segmental compartments having independent top bottom and sides the latter converging to a common center, the bottom portions resting upon the collar at the bottom and having a dowel-pin connection therewith, and the top part of each compartment having a locking-hook at its inner edge engaging with the cup-shaped keeper substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. A show-case or cabinet consisting of a base, a rotary standard with recessed collar at the bottom, and a cup-shaped keeper at the top, and a series of segmental sections having locking pins or studs at their lower inner ends fitting in the recesses of the collar, and spring-catches at the top engaging with the cup-shaped keeper substantially as shown and described.

3. A segmental section for a rotary case or cabinet made with converging sides, segmental top and bottom, a curved glass panel in front, and a straight lower front portion with a door in it substantially as shown and described.

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