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MOVABLE PARTITION.

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Fig. 1.

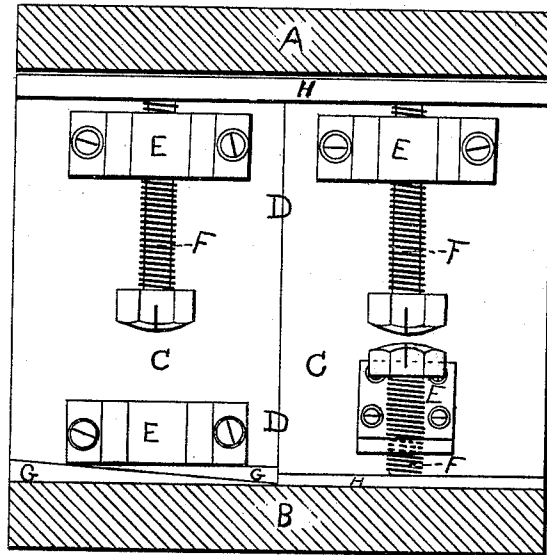
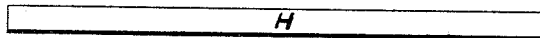


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN MOVABLE PARTITIONS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SYLVESTER N. STEWART, of Philadelphia, county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Movable Partition, which is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention is a partition for subdividing rooms or other spaces. This partition is constructed in such a manner that it may be put up, taken down, and removed at will without defacing or injuring the walls, ceiling, or floor of the room where used.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the partition and a sectional view of the ceiling and floor, taken upon the plane of the partition.

A is the ceiling. B is the floor; C C, the two sections of which the partition is composed. These sections may be joined together by a tongue and groove, or hooks, or pins, or bolts, or any other of the known methods at the line D D. E E are blocks, composed of either wood or metal, screwed to the top and bottom of each section of the partition. F F are screw-bolts. G G are wedges of wood or metal. H H are strips of wood, metal, or rubber placed against the ceiling and floor for the bolts to press against, to prevent the bolts from defacing the ceiling

and floor. The partition is fastened and kept in place by the wedges, and by turning the screw-bolts F until they press firmly against the strip H. The partition is taken down at any time by loosening the screw-bolts F and wedges G.

In the construction of this movable partition, I do not confine myself to any particular material or style of manufacture. The partition, when of wood, may be of plain flooring, the boards composing each section held together by cleats or by battings, or the sections may be paneled. In general the partition will be fastened by using fasteners only at the top, it not being necessary to use fasteners at both top and bottom, except in cases of high ceilings. In some cases the strip H will be dispensed with and the screw-bolts allowed to penetrate floor and ceiling. Again, in some cases a strip, H, will be placed beneath the wedges.

I claim as my invention—

A partition held in place by the blocks E, the screw-bolts F, the wedges G, and the strips H, substantially as described.

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