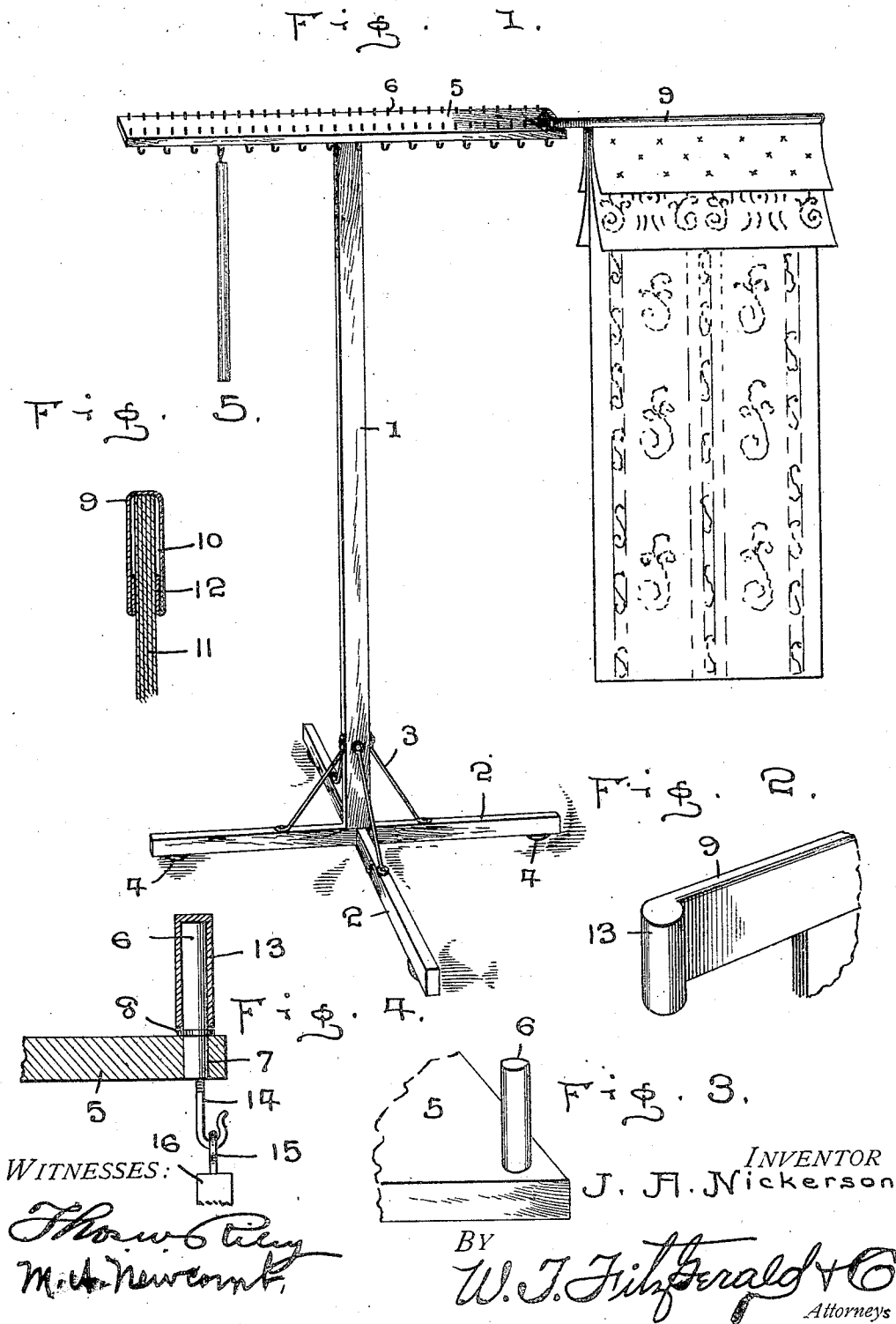


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES A. NICKERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fairbury, in the county of Livingston and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Racks; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in display racks and more particularly to that class adapted to be used in displaying wall papers and moldings to be used therewith and my object is to provide means for suspending a plurality of different grades of wall paper in position to be readily exhibited.

A further object is to provide means for holding samples of the wall and ceiling paper and border to be used therewith and a further object is to provide means for attaching samples of molding to the rack. Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings forming part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved form of rack, showing a section of wall paper and molding attached thereto. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of one end of the arm employed for receiving the samples of wall paper. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of one portion of the rack showing the pins thereon to receive the socket of paper holding arm. Fig. 4 is a detail sectional view through a portion of the rack and socket of the supporting arm, showing the means of attaching sections of molding thereto, and, Fig. 5 is a transverse sectional view through the paper receiving arm.

Referring to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, 1 indicates a standard, to the lower end of which are secured cross arms 2, which are adapted to form a base for the standard, said cross arms and standard being securely braced by means of brace straps 3, the lower edges of the cross arms having bearing blocks 4 thereon.

Attached in any suitable manner to the upper end of the standard 1, is a plate or table 5, extending upwardly from the sur-

face of which are a plurality of pins 6, the lower ends of said pins being introduced through openings 7 in the plate and are held in position on the plate by means of collars 8, there being a row of said pins lengthwise of the plate and adjacent each edge thereof.

Adapted to cooperate with the pins 6 and pivoted thereon, are arms 9, which arms are preferably formed of metal and provided with channels 10, rectangular in general outline to receive the ends, and accommodate a multiplicity of samples of wall paper 11, the free edges of the arms being preferably bent upwardly and interiorly thereof, as shown at 12 to reinforce the lower edges of the channel and at the same time form clamps for engaging the inserted wall paper, one end of the arms being open, whereby the wall paper may be readily introduced into the channel, while the opposite end thereof is provided with a socket 13, which is adapted to extend over the pins 6, said sockets forming a bearing for the arms and it will be seen that by mounting the arms in this manner, they may be shifted from side to side to exhibit the various samples of wall paper. Depending from the plate 5 are a plurality of hooks 14, with which are adapted to engage eyes 15 in the ends of sections of molding 16 and as said hooks are placed below the plate 5, the suspending of said moldings will not interfere with the exhibition of the wall paper. In this manner it will be seen that a number of different samples of the wall paper may be placed in position for convenient exhibition and when not in use, the arms may be swung substantially in alinement with the edges of the plate, in which event the rack will occupy but a minimum amount of space and it will further be seen that by suspending the various grades of molding in the manner shown, it will likewise be in convenient position for exhibition purposes.

It will further be seen that the samples of paper may be readily changed as desired and a new sample of paper placed in the channels 10 and it will likewise be seen that the arms may be removed from engagement with the plate and the paper rolled therearound and stored away and in this manner a great variety of different grades of wall paper may be exhibited from one rack.

What I claim is:

A sample wallpaper display rack, com-

prising a board member, means for supporting said board member in an elevated position, said board member being provided with upstanding pins adapted for insertion into
5 said board for retention in upright position, a hollow arm of rectangular formation in general outline, the lower edge of the walls of said arm being inturned thus thickening said walls at the lower edges thereof, said
10 arm having at one end a socket the axis of which is at right angles to the axis of said arm, said socket being adapted to receive

one of said pins, the thickened portion of the lower edges of said walls being adapted to clamp the infolded paper samples inserted into said hollow arm. 15

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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