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DISPLAY STAND.

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Fig. 1.

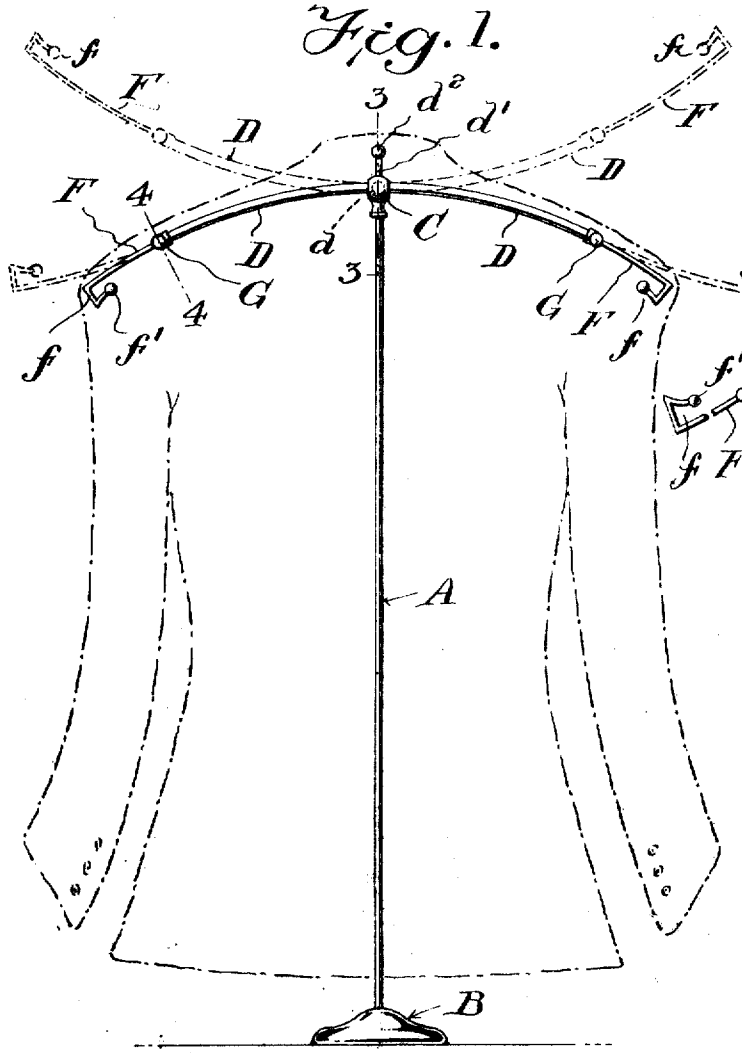


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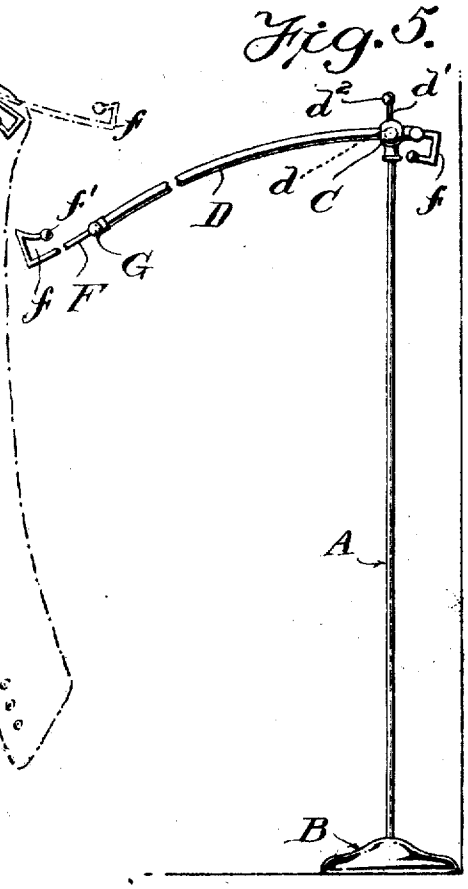


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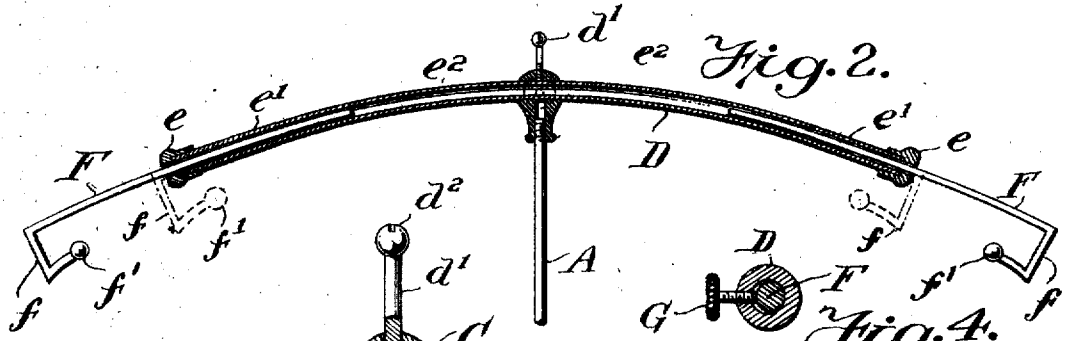


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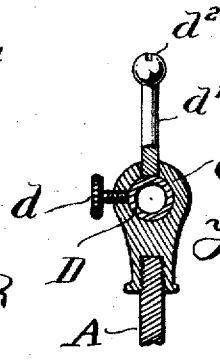


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DISPLAY-STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM NIXON, a citizen of the United States, residing in Dixon, in the county of Lee and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Stands, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to stands or holders for displaying wearing apparel of various kinds, and the invention comprises an upright standard connected at its lower end to an extended base, and a cross piece connected to the upper portion of the standard in such manner that it may be adjusted sidewise or laterally relatively to the standard and may also be turned thereon about a horizontal axis, said cross piece being provided with laterally extending arms having hooked ends, and which are extensible laterally relatively to the cross piece, and may be turned therein about longitudinal axes when extended.

In the accompanying drawings:—

Figure 1 is an elevation of a display stand embodying my improvements, showing by dotted lines various adjustments of the parts, and indicating one way of supporting a garment.

Fig. 2 is a detail view in section and on an enlarged scale showing the manner of connecting the cross piece to the upper end of the standard, and showing also how the laterally projecting arms carried by the cross piece may be adjusted.

Fig. 3 is a detail view in section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1, showing particularly the manner in which the cross piece is connected to the upper end of the standard and how it may be held in adjusted positions.

Fig. 4 is a detail view in section on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 5 is an elevation of the display stand showing another way of adjusting the cross piece.

The upright standard A is supported by an extended base B, and it carries at its upper end a knob C which has a threaded connection with the upper end of the standard, this connection, permitting of the cross piece being turned on the standard, if desired. D indicates a tubular cross piece which extends through the knob C and is adapted to slide cross wise therein. It may be held in this adjusted position by means of a set screw *d*. The arrangement is such that the cross piece may be arranged centrally on the standard, as indicated in Fig. 1, or may be extended laterally and held in extended position in the manner indicated in Fig. 5. Said cross piece may also be held in place by a set screw *d'*, carried by the knob and which engages the cross piece. The set screw *d'* is provided with a slit d^2 in which a card, such as an advertising or indicating card, may be held. The cross piece D is hollow or tubular as before stated, and it is provided at each end with a nut *e* which affords a smooth finish. The cross piece D is curved, but the outer portions e' are curved to only a slight extent, being practically straight, while the inner portions e^2 are curved to a greater extent. At each end the cross piece carries an arm F, each of which is provided at its outer end with a hook *f* carrying a knob *f'*. The shank of each arm F extends into the tubular cross piece and may be held therein by a set screw G. The arrangement is such that each arm may be adjusted laterally to any desired extent and held firmly in its adjusted position. The arrangement is also such that each arm F may, when extended sufficiently, be turned in the cross piece in the manner indicated in Fig. 5 so that the hook portion will be above the shank of the arm instead of below it, as indicated in Fig. 1.

By the constructions shown various adjustments of the stand may be obtained for the purpose of supporting articles of various kinds. When arranged in the manner indicated in Fig. 1, the stand is adapted to support a lady's coat, and inasmuch as the arms F are laterally adjustable, coats of various sizes may be supported. Some articles may be better supported by turning the cross piece about its horizontal axis to cause it to assume the dotted line position shown at the top of Fig. 1.

The hooked ends *f* with the knobs *f'* provide smooth terminals for the arms so as not to cut the garment, and these hooks provide means for supporting articles which have loops or other devices for hanging the garment on the stand. In some cases the window space may be such that it is not convenient to hold the cross piece in the manner indicated in Fig. 1, in which case the base of the standard may be placed close to a wall or window and the cross piece extended fully to one side of the standard. In such position the stand may support hats or other

such like articles, and a series of stands may be arranged side by side for this purpose, (see Fig. 5).

A display stand of the kind shown in the drawings and hereinbefore described may most conveniently be made entirely of metal. It is light, strong, and durable, may be easily adjusted, and may be manufactured at small cost.

I claim as my invention:—

1. A display stand, comprising an upright standard, a tubular cross piece curved from end to end, but curved to a less extent at its outer ends, a knob on the upper end of the standard through which the cross piece extends and in which it turns about a horizontal axis, and extensible curved arms carried by the cross piece which are mounted to turn therein when extended and which are formed with hooks at their outer ends.

2. A display stand, comprising an upright standard, a tubular cross piece curved from end to end, but curved to a less extent at its outer ends, a knob on the upper end of the standard through which the cross piece extends, in which it is longitudinally adjustable, and in which it is mounted to turn about a horizontal axis, extensible curved arms carried by the cross piece which are mounted to turn therein when extended and which are formed with inwardly projecting hooks at their outer ends, means for holding the cross piece with its opposite ends turned either upward or downward, and means for holding the arms with the hooks disposed either above or below the cross piece.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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