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Fig. 3.

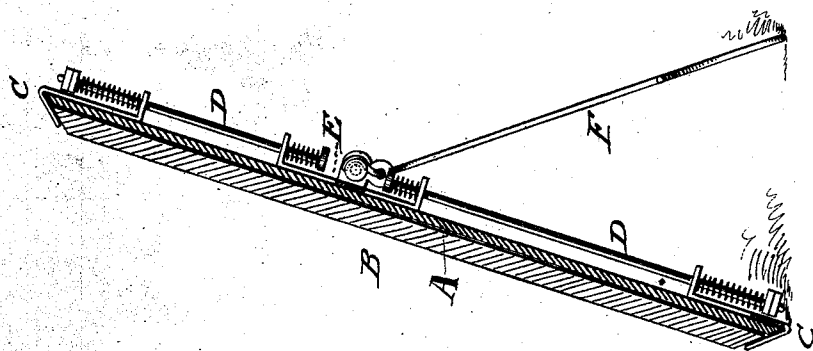


Fig. 2.

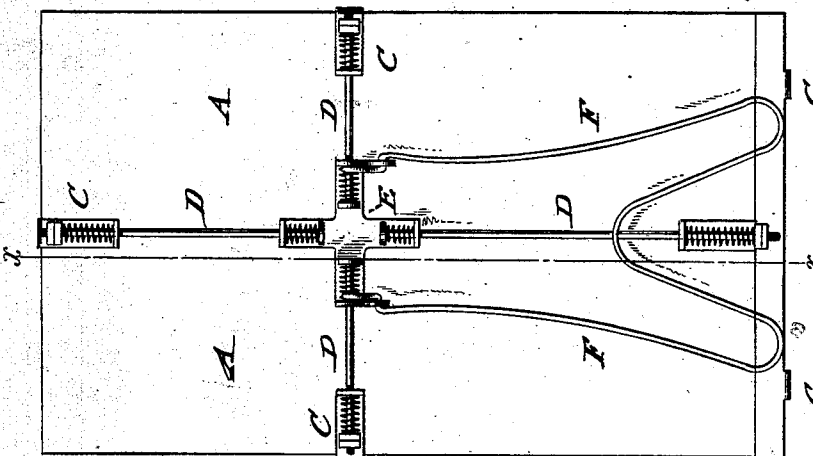
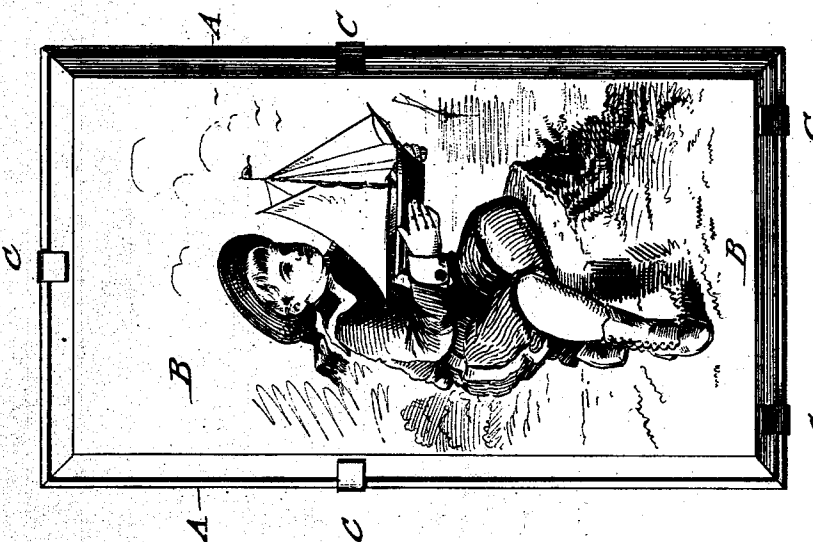


Fig. 1.



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PICTURE-STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORG SCHEURICH, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Picture-Stands, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved stand or support for photographs and other pictures, by which the expensive framing of the same is dispensed with and still a very neat and convenient protection for the same obtained, so as to be applicable to exhibiting photographs and the like in show-windows, mantel-pieces, &c.

The invention consists of a photograph or other picture, which is mounted on a panel-card and covered with a glass plate of the same size, which is retained on the panel-card by means of overlapping hooks that are connected by spring-cushioned rods to a cross-shaped center-piece, to which, also, a hinged support is applied.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a front view of my improved picture-stand. Fig. 2 is a rear view, and Fig. 3 a vertical transverse section of the same on line *x x*, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A in the drawings represents a bevel-edged or other panel-card, of suitable size, upon which the photograph or other picture is mounted. If a bevel-edged panel-card is used the edge is preferably finished in gold bronze, by which a neater appearance is imparted to the card. The picture is covered and protected by a thick glass plate, B, the edges of which are either square or beveled. The glass plate B is retained on the panel-card by means of overlapping hooks C, which extend over the edges of the card and glass plate, while their shanks extend along the back of the card and are bent up at the opposite ends into the shape of lugs or ears, through which connecting and spring-cushioned rods D are passed. The rods D serve to connect the hooks C with a cross-shaped center-piece, E, which is provided with similar lugs or ears as the hook-shanks through which the opposite ends of the connecting-

rods D are passed. The connecting-rods D are provided at one end with an enlarged head and at the opposite end with a small nut and jam-nut, between which and the ears of the hooks and center-piece are interposed spiral cushioning-springs, as shown clearly in Figs. 2 and 3.

If desired, more than one retaining-hook C may be applied to each side of the panel-card and glass plate, in which case they are preferably bent up from an edge-strip running along the back of the card, which strip is provided with a center shank and bent-up ear, in the same manner as the hooks C, as shown in Fig. 2.

To the center-piece E is hinged a wire brace or support, F, which is allowed to swing back up to a certain extent, being then stopped by suitable hooks binding upon the transverse rods D, or otherwise.

If it be desired to hang the picture to the wall, hooks or eyes are arranged in connection with the shanks of the hooks, for attaching a picture-cord thereto.

The retaining-hooks, spring-cushioned rods, and center-piece may be readily detached whenever another picture is to be substituted for exhibition, the hooks being then replaced in the same manner.

The stand may be finished in a very ornamental manner by using top and bottom strips for the hooks, and providing the ends of the strips with ornamented corner-pieces.

In this manner a picture mounted on a panel-card is readily prepared for being exhibited in show-windows, show-cases, or upon the mantel-piece, which is a point of great convenience to photographers, picture-dealers, and others, as it dispenses with the expensive framing or matting of photographs or other pictures.

The stand may also be used for mirror-glass, and thereby a convenient mirror-frame and support obtained.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The combination of a panel-card and covering glass plate with overlapping and retaining hooks, which are connected by spring-

cushioned rods with a center-piece at the back of the panel-card, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of a panel-card and covering glass plate with overlapping and retaining hooks, which are connected in detachable manner to a center-piece at the back of the card, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination, with a panel-card and covering glass plate, of overlapping and retaining hooks, connected to a center-piece at

the back of the card, the center-piece having a hinged support or brace, substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two witnesses this 12th day of October, 1880.

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