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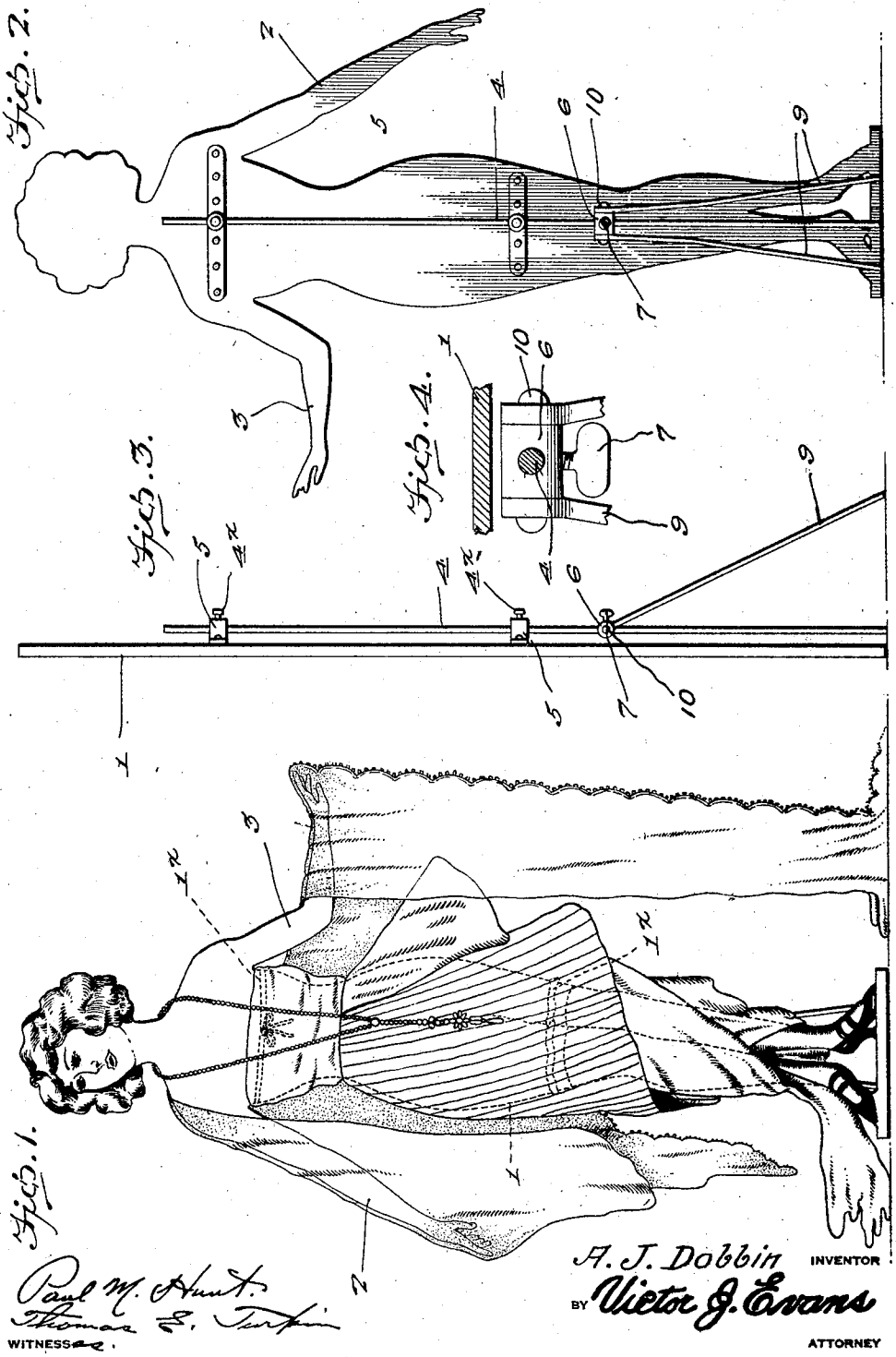


Fig. 2.

Fig. 4.

Fig. 3.

Fig. 1.

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The object of my said invention is the provision of a piece-goods display support characterized by a flat body shaped and embellished to simulate the female human body and a supporting means at the back of the body, the supporting means being of foldable type so that when not in use the support will occupy but little space and can be handled with facility.

In the use of the novel piece-goods display support, the support is arranged in a wall casing or in a show window, and is draped with piece-goods in such a manner as to display the goods to advantage in the same relation that they would be employed on the female human body.

To the attainment of the foregoing, the invention consists in the improvement as hereafter described and definitely claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification:—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my novel support.

Figure 2 is a rear elevation of the support.

Figure 3 is an edge elevation of the same with the legs extended to enable the body to support a considerable weight of piece-goods draped thereon.

Figure 4 is an enlarged detail section showing the leg connection.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all of the views of the drawings.

The body of my novel support is designated by 1. It is in one piece of flat board-like character and is made of wall board or any other appropriate flat board sufficiently heavy to stand when supported at the back and to sustain the weight of piece goods draped on the body. The said body 1 is shaped in outline to simulate the female human body with all of the members thereof in fixed relation to each other and in the same plane, and the face of the body is embellished by painting or otherwise to enhance the simulation or to make the same more perfect, and this preferably by paint applied to the front view of the body. By preference the body is made with a draping 1^x of underwear from the bust to the stockings. It will also be understood that the legs of the figure represented may be and preferably are shown as provided with stockings and with slippers or shoes. In the illustrated embodiment of the invention one arm 2 of the figure represented is shown in a graceful downwardly extending position, and the other arm 3 of the figure is arranged at approximate right angles to the torso portion so as to form a bracket on which a pendent portion of piece-goods may be draped to hang loosely as illustrated in Figure 1. It is to be understood, however, that the figure may be made in various poses without affecting my invention. In addition to the body 1 characterized as shown and described, my novel support includes means at the back of the body 1, for supporting the same in upright position and maintaining the body 1 in such position notwithstanding the weight of the piece-goods draped on the body 1 after the manner illustrated in Figure 1. I prefer to employ the supporting means illustrated which includes an upright rod 4 adjustably secured by set screws 4^x in blocks 5 which are affixed to the back of the body 1, a collar 6 adjustably fixed by a set screw 7 on the rod 4 and legs 9 hingedly connected at 10 to the ends of said collar 6. It will be apparent that the legs 9 can be expeditiously and easily positioned so as to lie in substantial parallelism to the body 1, and when the legs 9 are so arranged the support as a whole may be conveniently carried and may be shipped or packed in a space of small compass. It will also be apparent that when it is desired to support the body 1 in vertical or upright position, substantially vertical, the legs 9 may be positioned as shown in Figures 2 and 3 so as to cooperate with the rod 4 and thereby adequately support the body 1 and the piece-goods draped and displayed on the body 1.

While highly advantageous for the purpose indicated my novel piece goods display support is obviously simple and inexpensive in construction, and with proper usage is adapted to last for an indefinite period of time.

I have entered into a detailed description of the construction and relative arrangement of the parts embraced in the present and preferred embodiment of my invention in order to impart a full, clear and exact understanding of the said embodiment. I do not desire, however, to be understood as confining myself to the specific construction and relative arrangement of parts inasmuch as in the future practice of the invention

various changes and modifications may be made such as fall within the scope of my invention as defined in my appended claim.

Having described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is:—

A display support comprising a body formed to simulate the female human body, blocks fixed to the back of the body and spaced apart in superposed relation and having coincident apertures, an upright rod extending through said apertures and adapted to be secured therein, a collar adjustably fixed on the rod below the lowermost block and being capable of slidable movement on said rod, and legs hingedly secured to the opposite ends of said collar and arranged in contacting engagement with said ends in a manner whereby they may be swung in a vertical plane.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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