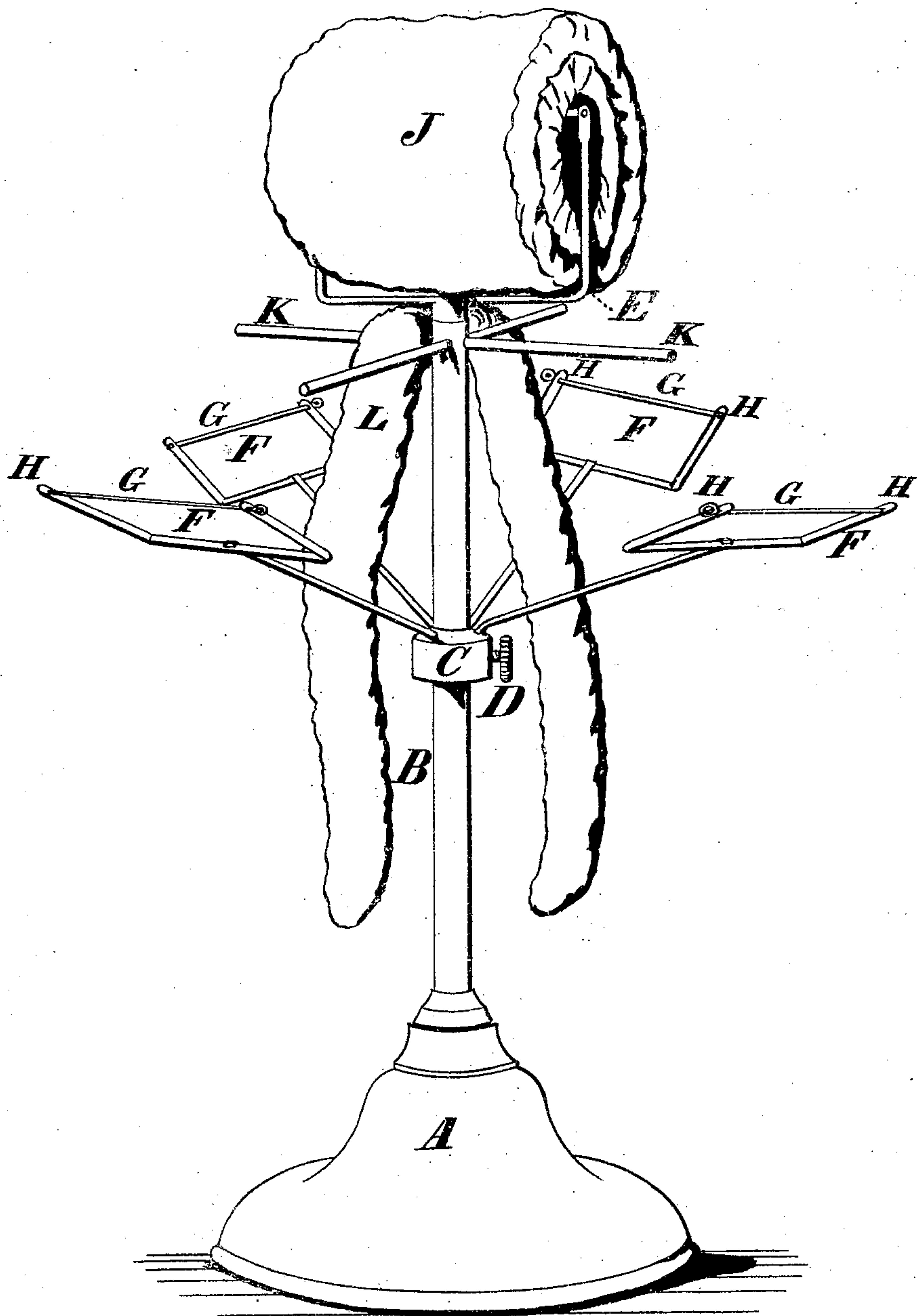


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS BERGTOLD, of the city of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Muff-Stands, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of an adjustable muff-stand, having one or more easily-detachable as well as adjustable forked arms for receiving the muff and so holding it that, while the outer surface can readily be exposed to view, no part of the same will come in contact with the stand or any of its connections, and thereby leave an indentation or otherwise injure the appearance of the fur, which is a common objection to muff-holding devices as ordinarily constructed.

In the accompanying drawing, which is a perspective view representing my said invention complete, A is the base or support for the standard or stem B. C represents a movable ring, which is fitted to the standard B, so that it may be easily raised or lowered and fastened at any point desired by means of the thumb-screw D. E represents a fork-shaped arm, made and arranged to hold a muff at the top of the stand; it is provided with a socket at its lower end, so that it can readily be attached to or taken from the standard B. If desired, a socket can be arranged on the top of the standard, and the lower part or end of the arm E made to slip into it, which would answer the same purpose. The ring C, of which there may be two or more, if required,

is provided with a number of holes in its upper edge or surface, into which the forked arms F are inserted loosely, so as to allow them to be turned around or quickly taken off and put on. G represents a bolt or rod, which is arranged to pass through holes in the ends H of the forked arms E and F. It is kept in place by the head on one end and a nut or other equivalent device on the other. The muff is held in place by means of the rod or bolt G, as will be readily seen by reference to the drawing, in which J represents the muff in place on the arm E.

The object in thus loosely fitting the arms E and F to the stand or standard B is to afford the means whereby they may be easily and quickly taken off and returned again in place, so that a muff or other object placed thereon to be exhibited can be shown without the necessity of handling it with the hands.

K represents a number of arms firmly fixed to the upper part of the standard, for the purpose of holding a boa, or tippet, or other equivalent article, as shown at L.

I claim as my invention—

The standard B, ring C, and arms E and F, constructed, combined, and arranged substantially as and for the purposes herein shown and described.

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