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## BRACKET FLOWER STAND,

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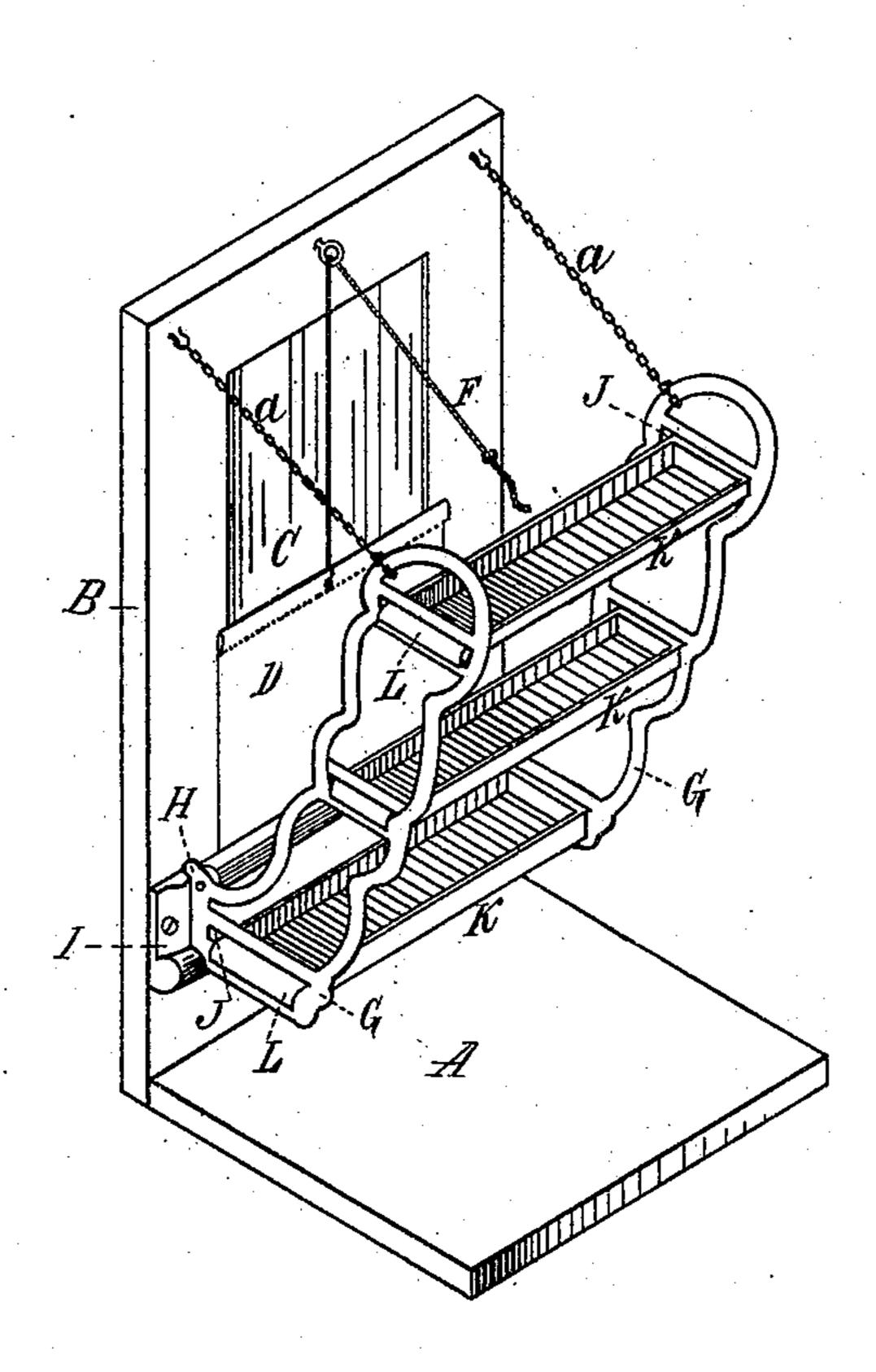


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BRACKET FLOWER-STANDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. SHIRLEY, of Danvers, in the county of Essex, State of Massachusetts, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Bracket Flower Stands, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an isometrical perspective view. My invention relates to that class of bracket flower-stands which are designed for interior use, in connection with a glazed side opening or window for admitting the light; and consists in a novel construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed, by which a more effective device of this character is produced than is now in ordinary use.

The nature and operation of my invention will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters from the following description:

In the drawing, A represents the floor, B the window-frame, and C the window. Attached to the frame are two lugs, I, (one not shown,) provided with vertical grooves or sockets, into which the lower ends of the side

pieces G of the bracket are fitted, and by which and the chains a a they are supported. A series of pot troughs or pans, K, provided with curved downwardly-projecting flanges or lips L at the ends, are supported in the side pieces, the lips extending for this purpose through the horizontal slots J, the parts being so constructed as to enable the troughs to be readily removed. Journaled in the lower end of the side pieces G, and between the troughs and window C, there is a roller, H, carrying the curtain D, provided with the cord F. This curtain, it will be observed, is independent of the ordinary curtain pertaining to the window, being removable with the stand, and is designed to prevent the plants from injury by sun or frost, being elevated for that purpose between the window and troughs as occasion requires.

Having thus explained my improvement, what I claim is—

The improved bracket flower stand described, consisting of the side pieces G, troughs K, lugs I, roller H, and curtain D, constructed and arranged to operate substantially as set forth and specified.

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