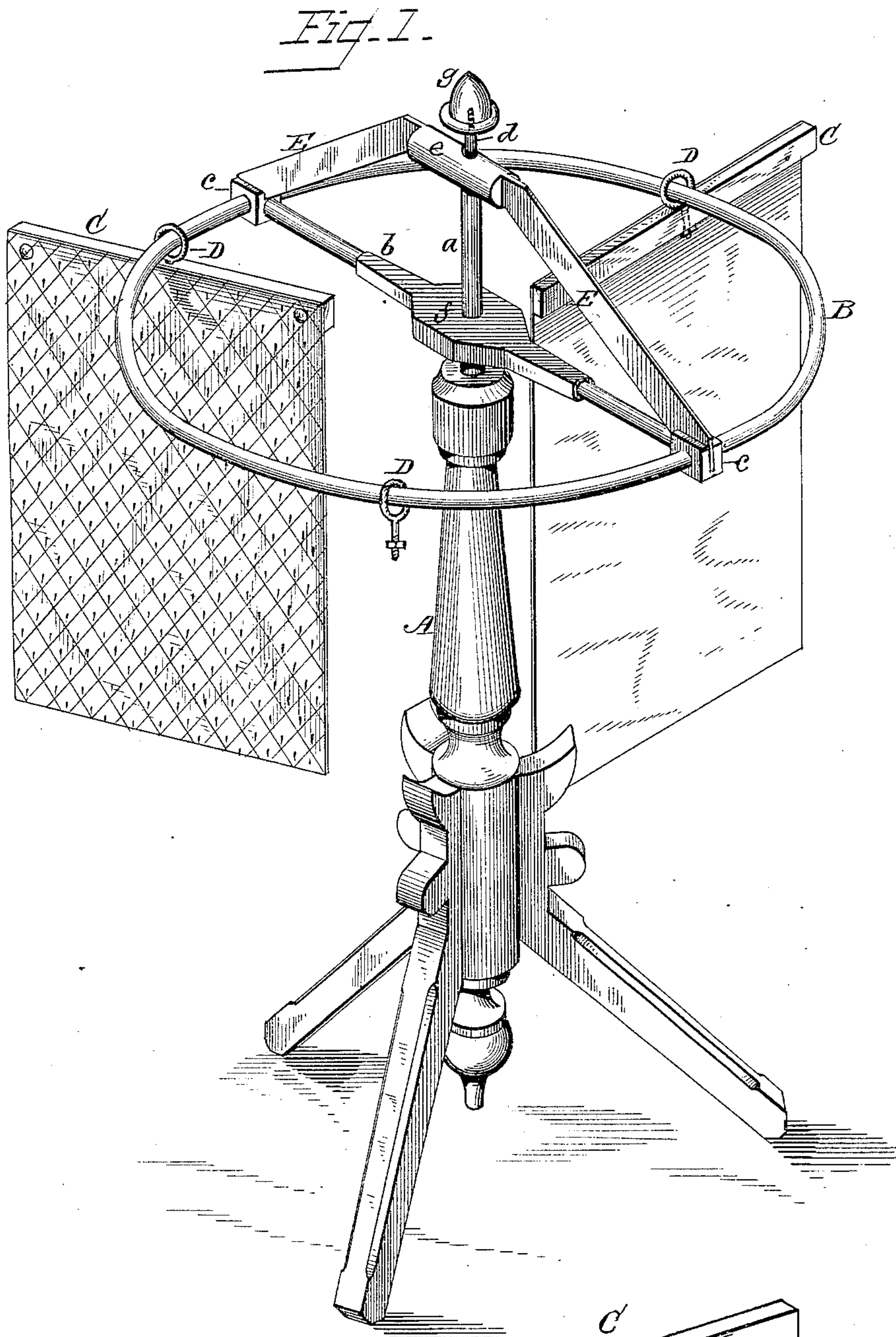


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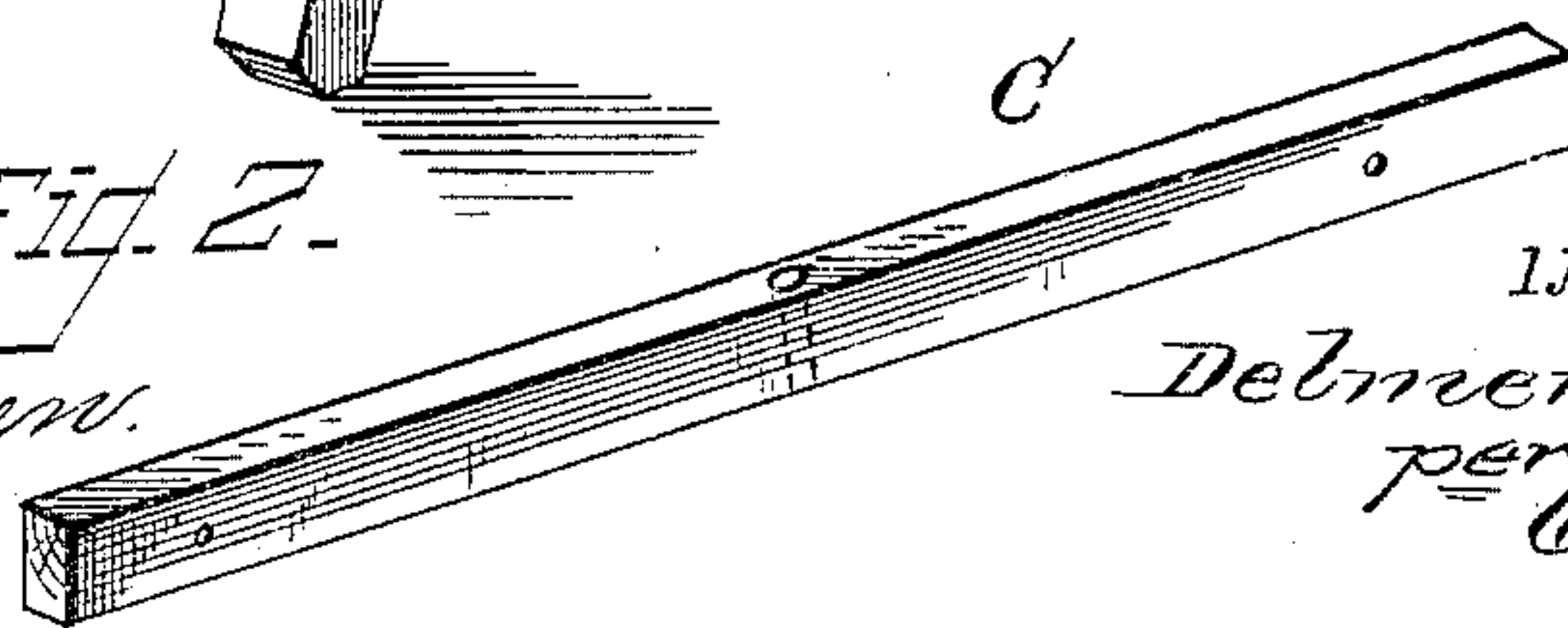
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## WALL-PAPER RACK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, DELMER GARDINER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Prattsburg, in the county of Steuben and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Wall-Paper Racks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of my invention, and Fig. 2 a detail view of one of the cross-bars from which the paper is suspended.

The present invention has for its object to provide a simple and convenient device for displaying in stores the different samples of wall-paper; and the invention consists in a device constructed substantially as shown in the drawings, and hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents a standard, of any suitable construction and design, provided at its upper end with a vertical rod, *a*. This rod *a* at its upper extremity is reduced in circumference to form a shoulder and a stationary pivot, *d*, and is screw-threaded to receive a retaining-nut, *g*.

Supported upon the rod *a* is a large ring, B, adapted to revolve around said rod, and is strengthened by a diametrical brace, *b*, extending horizontally across the ring and terminating at its ends in eye-blocks *c*, through which the ring passes and is secured, the brace having at its center a flat and wide body, *f*, so as to increase the weight at its center of axis and make it more evenly balanced. This body *f* has a hole sufficiently large to admit the rod *a*, and the eye-blocks *c* have slits in them to receive the lower ends of flat angular braces E, to which they are fastened, the upper ends of said braces terminating in a head, *e*, perforated to receive the reduced end *d* of the rod *a*. The head *e*, which is horizontal, rests upon the annular shoulder formed by the reduced end of the rod, and is held thereon by the confining-nut *g* engaging with screw-threads on the extremity of the stationary pivoted or reduced end *d*.

If preferred, the pivot *d* may be formed

with a screw-threaded socket, and the nut *g* provided with a screw-shank to enter said socket, or any desirable means may be employed for detachably connecting the nut to the pivot *d*.

The ring B, being supported by the two braces *b* E, and also strengthened radially, and the ring turning on two pivotal centers, one above the other, there is no possibility of the ring being thrown out of a true horizontal plane when it is revolved or having a rocking motion, as would be the case were the ring not properly balanced and journaled at two separate points on the same vertical plane.

The ring B is provided with a series of fastening devices consisting of eyes D and suitable means for detachably connecting thereto cross-bars C. To these cross-bars are suitably fastened the samples of wall-paper, and by means of the eyes D the bars C, with the paper thereon, can be conveniently moved along the wire, so that any particular one of a large number of samples can be examined, or the entire number of a hundred or more can be shown to good advantage with comparatively little time and trouble. The ring may also be revolved to bring any particular sample of paper to the light for examination, so that the same light is projected on each sample and at the same angle.

The cross-bars may be permanently connected to the eyes or adapted to be removed therefrom, as found desirable, and any suitable means may be provided for attaching the bars to the eyes, as found most convenient.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a device for displaying and exhibiting wall-paper, a suitable standard provided with a revolving ring, in combination with eyes and cross-bars for attaching thereto the samples of paper, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. In a device for exhibiting and displaying wall-paper, a suitable standard having an upright rod, in combination with a ring adapted to revolve around said rod, and carrying a series of eyes sliding thereon, and to which are connected cross-bars for fastening the samples of paper thereto, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

3. In a device for displaying and exhibiting wall-paper, a suitable standard having an upright rod to serve as a pivot, in combination with a ring adapted to revolve thereon,  
5 cross-bars to which the paper is attached adapted to slidethereon, and two cross-braces arranged on different horizontal planes, the rod passing up through the braces, and the ring held on the rod by a nut or other fasten-

ing device, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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