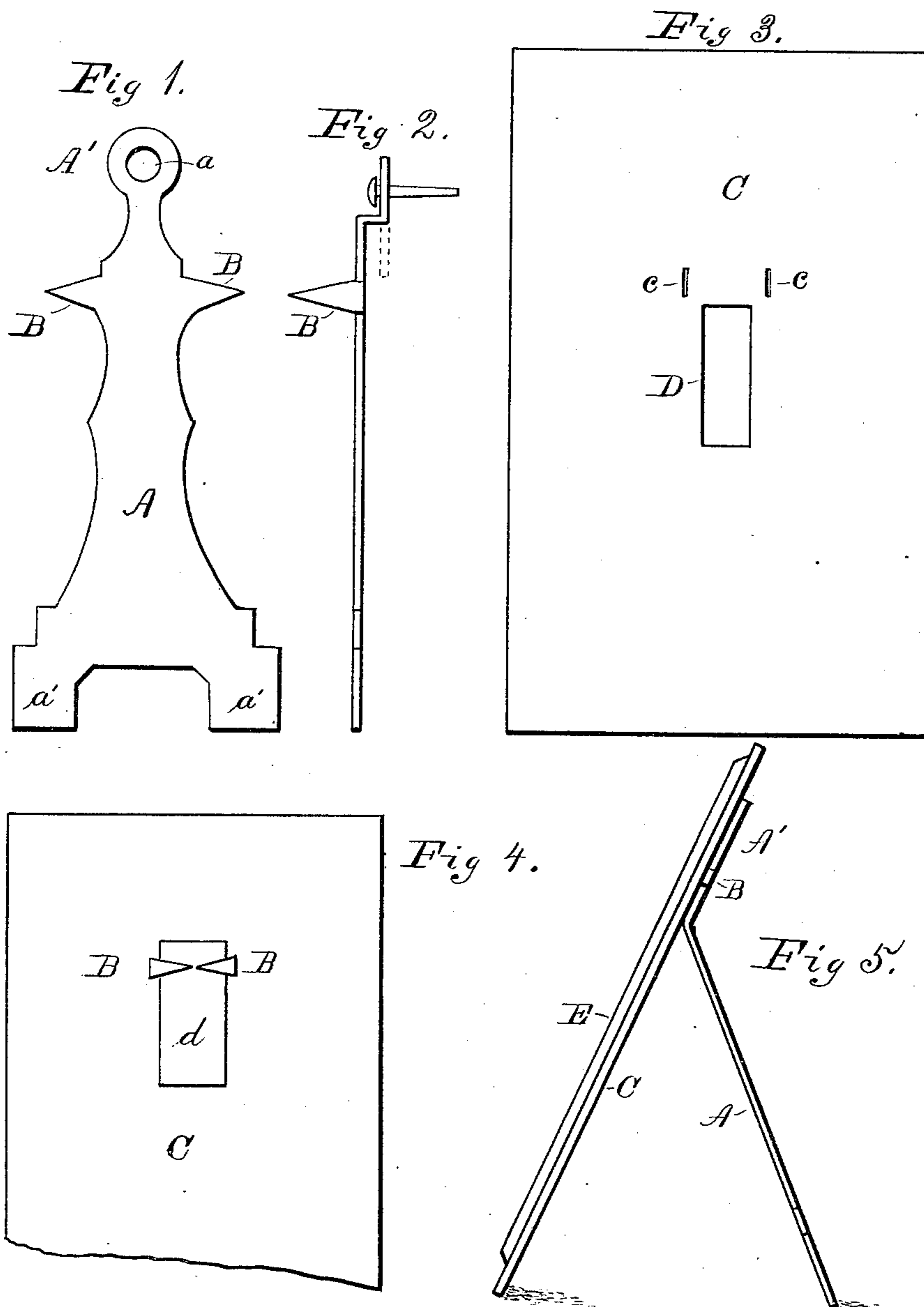


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE ST. JOHN HENRY FLOTO, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combined Card and Card-Supporter; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to cards and supporters in which the brace and hanger are fixed to the card, but are made adjustable, so that when not in use they may be pressed flat against the back of the card for convenience in packing for shipment, &c.

The use of hinges and kindred appliances are dispensed with, also, in my invention.

The drawings which accompany and form a part of this specification fully illustrate the nature of my invention.

The various features of the device are referred to by letters, similar letters indicating corresponding parts in the different views.

In Figure 1 of the drawings is presented a plan view of my support as struck out by a die. Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same with the hanger bent in operative position. Fig. 3 presents the front, and Fig. 4 the back, of the card; and Fig. 5 is a side elevation of my invention with the brace in operative position.

The support is struck out from thin flexible sheet-brass or other preferred material, and is formed in any desired pattern. The lateral tapering projections or arms B B, the head A' with the opening *a*, and the legs *a' a'* are all in one piece with the brace A, and are formed at the same time with it. The card C is preferably made of pasteboard, and has two holes, *c c*, adapted to admit the arms B B on the brace A. A slot, D, is also provided to permit a gradual escape of the perfume from the sachet *d*. The show-card, picture, or other object, E, is secured to the front of the card C by any ordinary means.

The parts of my invention are united as follows: Bend the arms B B forward to a right angle with the brace A, as shown in Fig. 2, pass the said arms through the holes *c c* in the

card C, paste or otherwise attach the sachet *d* to the card C between the holes *c c* and so as to cover the slot D, then bend inwardly upon the sachet the arms B B, thus binding all firmly together. The sachet should be made quite thin and the arms be pressed snugly down upon it to secure a nearly plane surface on the card C. It is not essential that the sachet should be pasted to the card C, as the arms B B will hold it securely in place. When it is desired to dispense with the sachet *d*, the slot D in the card C is omitted. The ornamented card E, picture, or other object is now attached to the front of the card C.

The brace A and the head A' may be bent outwardly and back again a great number of times without danger of breaking.

In using the hanger the head A' is bent outwardly, and then at a distance from the card C equal to the thickness of the nail-head it is bent again either upward, as shown in Fig. 2 by solid lines, or downward, as shown in dotted lines.

I am aware that means somewhat similar to mine are used for supporting cards, and I do not broadly claim such; but

What I do claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. In a combined card and card-supporter, the brace A, hanger A', perforation *a*, arms B B, and legs *a' a'*, all struck out in one piece from flexible sheet metal, as herein set forth.

2. In a combined card and card-supporter, the combination of the brace A, hanger A', perforation *a*, arms B B, legs *a' a'*, card C, and holes *c c*, as described.

3. In a combined card and card-supporter, the combination of the brace A, hanger A', perforation *a*, arms B B, legs *a' a'*, card C, holes *c c*, slot D, and sachet *d*, substantially as herein set forth.

4. As a new article of manufacture, the combined card and card-supporter, consisting of the card or other object, E, card C, holes *c c*, slot D, sachet *d*, brace A, legs *a' a'*, arms B B, hanger A', and perforation *a*, all combined and constructed substantially as herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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