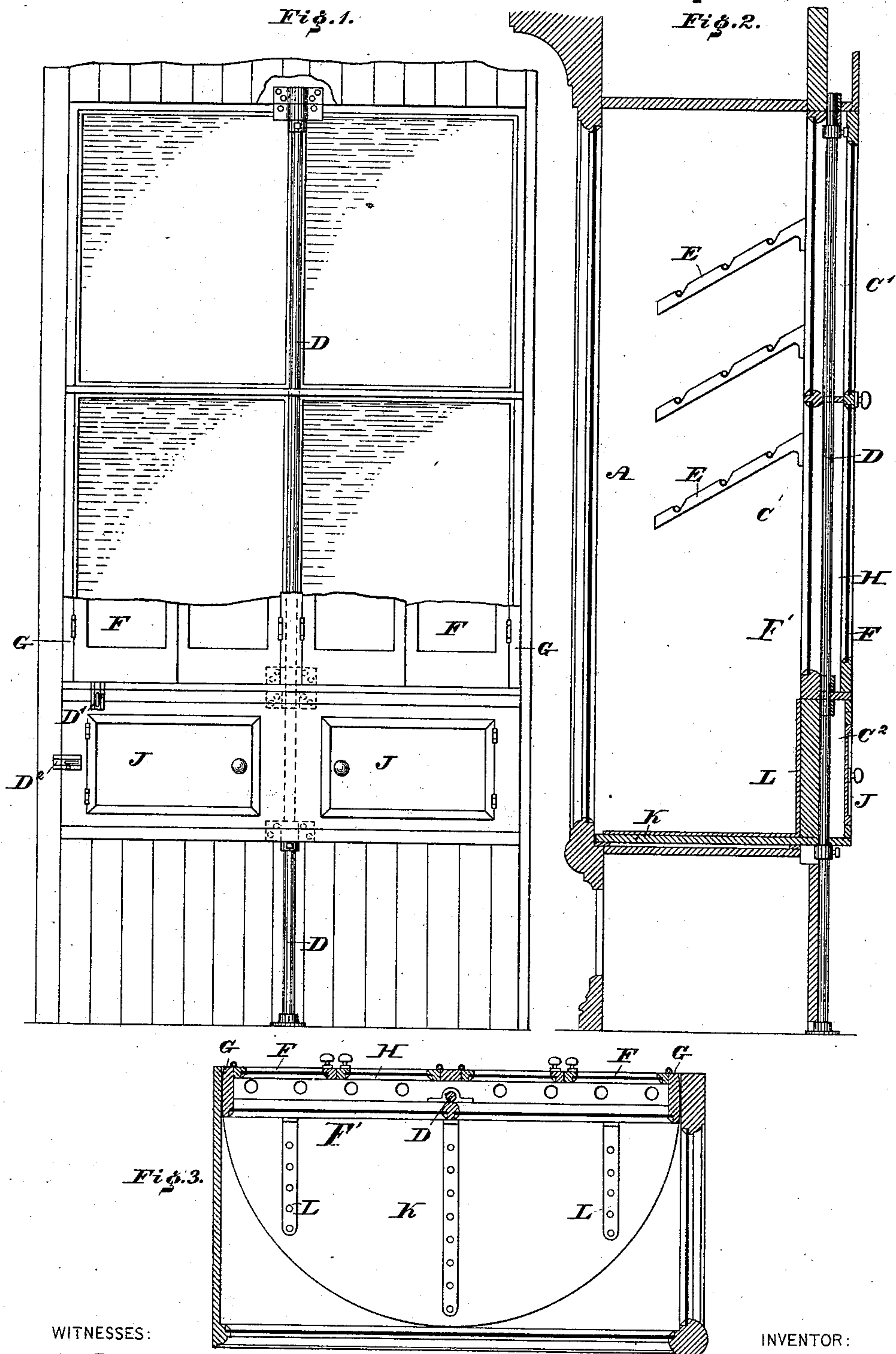


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES D. WILLIAMS, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Show-Windows, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a rear view of a show-window embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a vertical section thereof. Fig. 3 represents a horizontal section thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

My invention consists of a show-window formed in sections, which may be rotated separately or simultaneously.

It also consists of a rotating show-window having a central axis.

It further consists of a combination of parts forming improvements in show-windows.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a window generally known as a "bulk-window."

C represents a show-window, which has a vertical axis at the center thereof, said axis consisting of a rod, D, which is stepped in or secured to the top of the window-frame and the floor of the apartment or bulk-head. The window C is horizontally divided, or formed of sections C' C<sup>2</sup>, which may be rotated independently of each other or simultaneously, the latter action being accomplished by connecting the sections by a catch or bolt, D', whereby they may be rotated as one, said bolt, however, being moved or drawn when either section is to be rotated independently of the other section. The section C' has connected with it, in front, rods or racks E, of suitable construction for supporting articles to be exhibited, and the rear of the window has doors F, preferably glass or sash doors, which are hinged to the side pieces, G, of the window at the rear thereof, and with the partitions or inner doors, F', form a chamber, H, to receive umbrellas and other articles, access thereto being had by opening the doors F. The section C<sup>2</sup> is also chambered, having an inner wall or partition below the partitions or doors F', as shown, and has doors J on its rear, the chamber as formed

being adapted to contain brushes, rags, &c., for dusting and cleaning the window.

Connected with the section C<sup>2</sup> is a platform or shelf, K, which occupies a position over the bulk-head and serves to hold articles to be exhibited, said shelf, for purposes of strength, being provided with braces L, which are fastened to the section and platform. It will be seen that the sections C' C<sup>2</sup> and the platform K may be rotated as one, in order to bring the front of the same into the room, whereby articles thereon may be removed or the window dressed, as required. Should it be desired to reach the front of the section C<sup>2</sup> or the platform K, said section or platform is rotated without disturbing the section C', and the latter section may also be rotated without disturbing the first-named section. When the two sections are connected by the catch or bolt D', they may be rotated as one, thus bringing the entire front of the show-window into the store or apartment, the doors F J then facing the front of the bulk-window and the rear of the latter remaining closed, as the show-window in either of its positions closes said rear of the bulk-window.

As the show-window has its axis at the center thereof, said window may be rotated in either direction to the right or left, and requires much less room for rotation than if its axis were at one side. Either of the sections C' C<sup>2</sup> may have a catch or bolt, D<sup>2</sup>, for locking the show-window to the window A. The number of sections may be increased, and the front of the same may be made of glass, wood, or other material, according to the extent of light desired, it being noticed that the sections close the space at the rear of the bulk-window.

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

1. A rotatable show-window divided horizontally into vertical sections which may be rotated independently or as one, substantially as described.

2. A rotatable show-window formed of independent sections divided horizontally, having a common axis and connected by a catch or

bolt, whereby they may be rotated as one, substantially as described.

3. A rotatable show-window having a rear chamber, substantially as described.

5 4. A rotatable show-window formed of independent sections and provided with a catch or bolt for connecting the sections as one, substantially as described.

10 5. A bulk or other window, in combination with a rotatable show-window formed in sections, a catch or bolt for connecting the sec-

tions, and a catch or bolt for locking the show-window to the bulk-window, substantially as described.

6. A rotatable show-window formed of independent sections and a platform connected with one of the sections, substantially as described.

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