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Fig. 1.

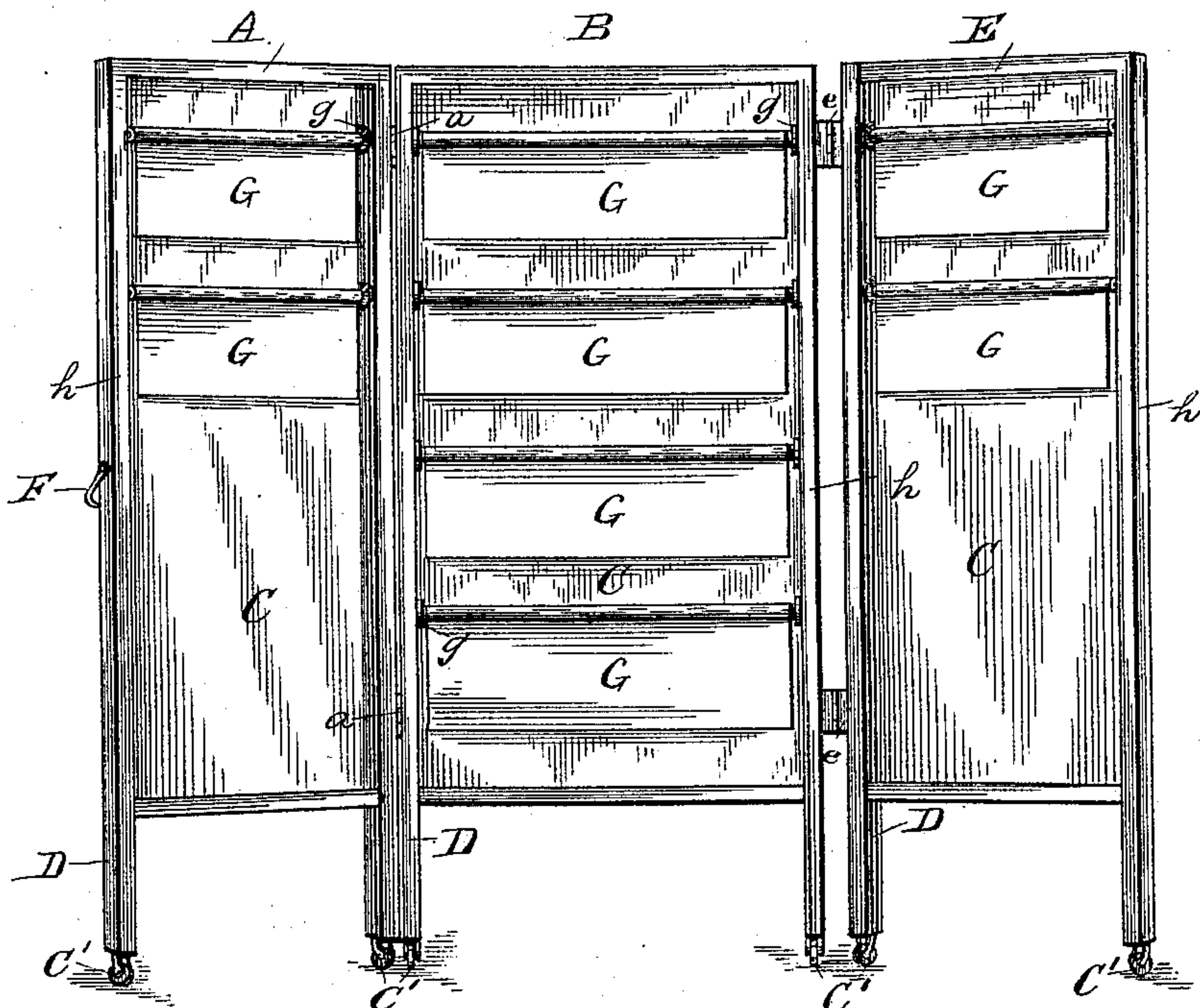
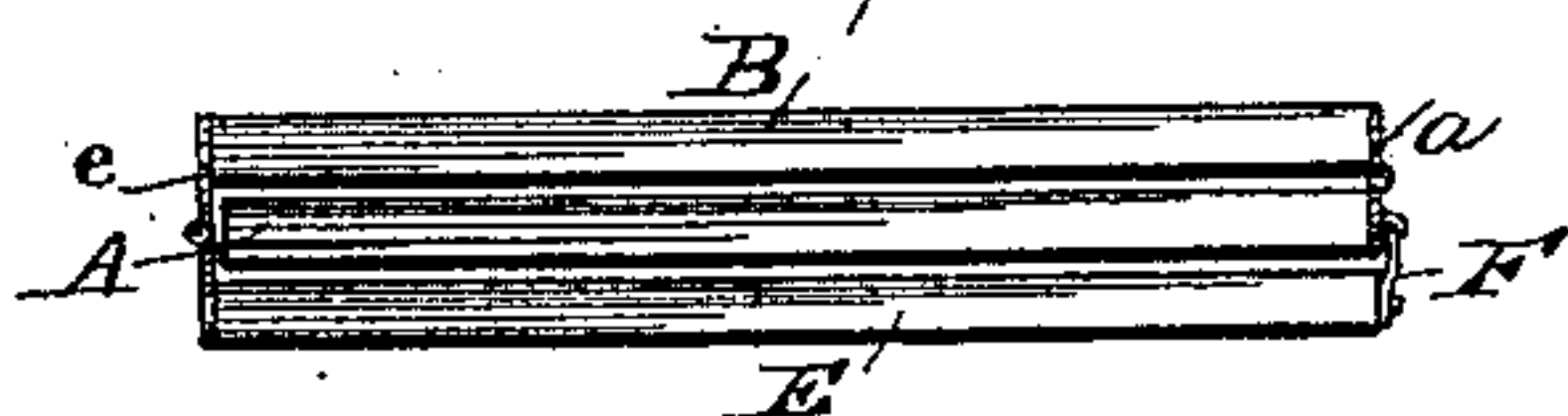


Fig. 2.



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DISPLAY-STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK E. WALLACE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Monmouth, in the county of Warren and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Stands; 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.

My invention relates to a display-frame for window-shades, the object being to provide a device of this character which will be compact in construction, readily removable, and adapted to protect the shades from dust and light when the frame is not in use.

The invention consists in the features of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 illustrates my invention opened for use, and Fig. 2 shows a top view of the same closed.

A and B indicate rectangular frames of the same height hinged together by hinges *a*. Each frame is provided with a back C, legs D, and casters C'.

E represents a third frame secured to the frame B by wide hinges *e*, so that the three frames A, B, and E may be folded together, as shown in Fig. 2, and fastened by a catch F.

G represents the window-shades arranged in suitable fixtures *g* in the sides of the frame, one above the other in parallel order, to facilitate showing them.

The meeting edges *h* of the frames are covered with felt to insure close joints, thus preventing the entrance of dust and light when the frames are folded together.

It will be apparent that the entire device may be readily moved upon its casters, that

it occupies but little space, and constitutes a convenient means for displaying shades.

It is obvious that one or even more additional frames may be added or one frame omitted without departing from the spirit of my invention.

I am aware that hinged frames have been used for various purposes, and that a display-stand has been provided with rollers and with a backing, and such devices are not broadly of my invention.

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

1. A display-stand for window-shades, consisting of two or more frames hinged on their vertical edges and provided with dust-proof backs, and having on their meeting edges a lining or packing of a yielding nature, such as felt, said frames having rollers for supporting shades, substantially as described.

2. A display-stand for window-shades, consisting of several frames hinged together at their vertical edges, the hinge on one side of the middle section being of a width equal to or about equal to the combined thickness of the several sections, and having their outer parts or edges secured to adjacent sections, leaving between the edges of said sections a space equal to the thickness of a third section, the several sections being provided with rollers, dust-proof backing, and yielding lining or packing strips, substantially as described, whereby the sections can be placed in parallel position and all light and dust excluded.

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

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