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Fig. 1

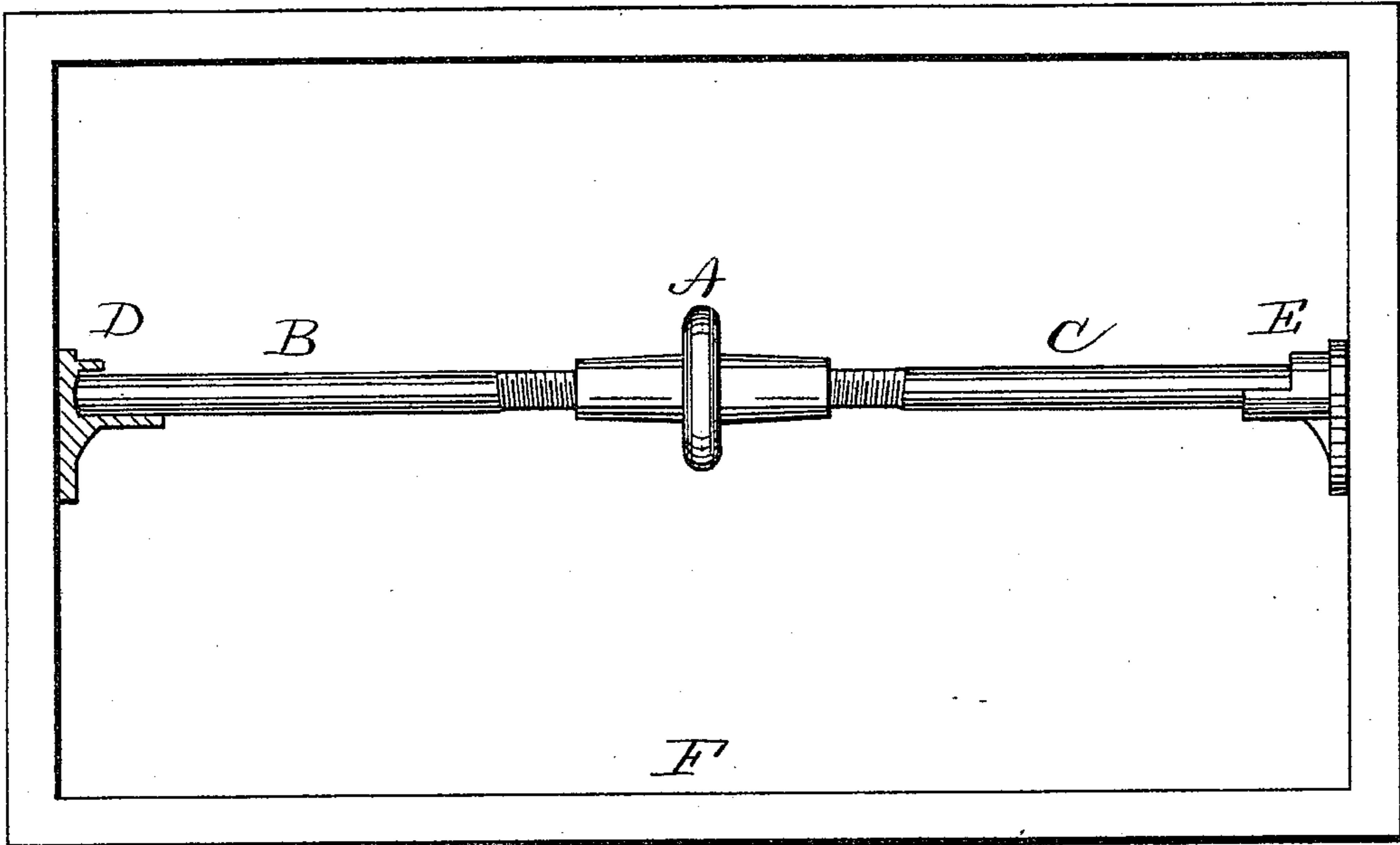
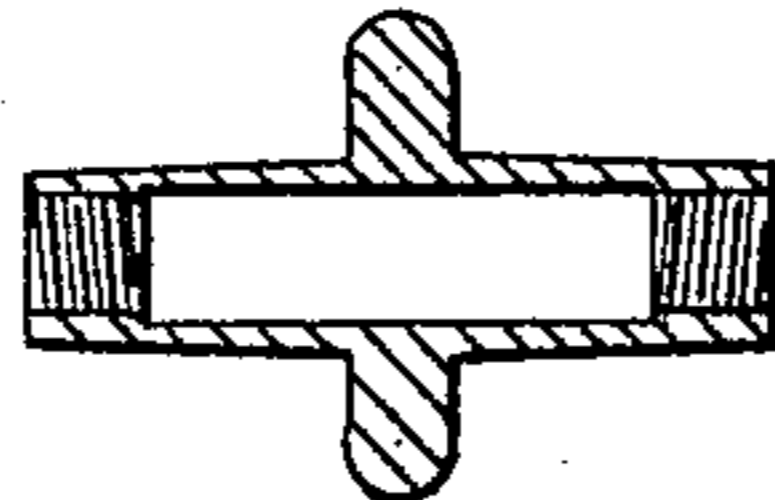


Fig. 2 A



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GOTTLIEB WILKENING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dayton, in the county of Montgomery and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Rods; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to 10 which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in 15 display-rods, the features of which will be fully hereinafter described and claimed.

The object of my invention is the suspension of articles of merchandise in windows or doors; but the device may be used for other 20 purposes. I accomplish the object by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure I is a view of the device as attached to a frame. Fig. II is a longitudinal section 25 of the nut.

Like letters designate like parts in the two views.

The device comprises the nut A, provided with right and left screw-threads in the ends, 30 a central portion to be grasped by the hand, the rods B and C threaded to engage said nut, and the bearing-plates D and E, in which the ends of the rods are seated. The former of the bearing-plates is shown in longitudinal

section. It has a broad face to engage a jamb 35 or wall, a cavity to receive the end of the rod, and an inwardly-projecting part which tends to hold the rod against sagging. It is prepared for use by placing one bearing-plate against a jamb, entering the end of one rod. 40 Then place the other bearing-plate against the opposite jamb and turn the nut until the plates are held firmly against said jambs. In this position articles may be suspended thereon for the display of the same or for other pur- 45 poses.

F is a frame to illustrate the device when in a proper condition for use.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Pat- 50 ent, is—

In a display-rod, the combination of the frame F, the bearing-plates D and E, provided with sockets, the nut A, provided with right and left screw-threads, and the rods B and C, 55 the outer ends to engage said plates, and the threaded ends to engage said nut, the turning of which locks the device in position against the jambs of said frame, substantially as set forth. 60

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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