

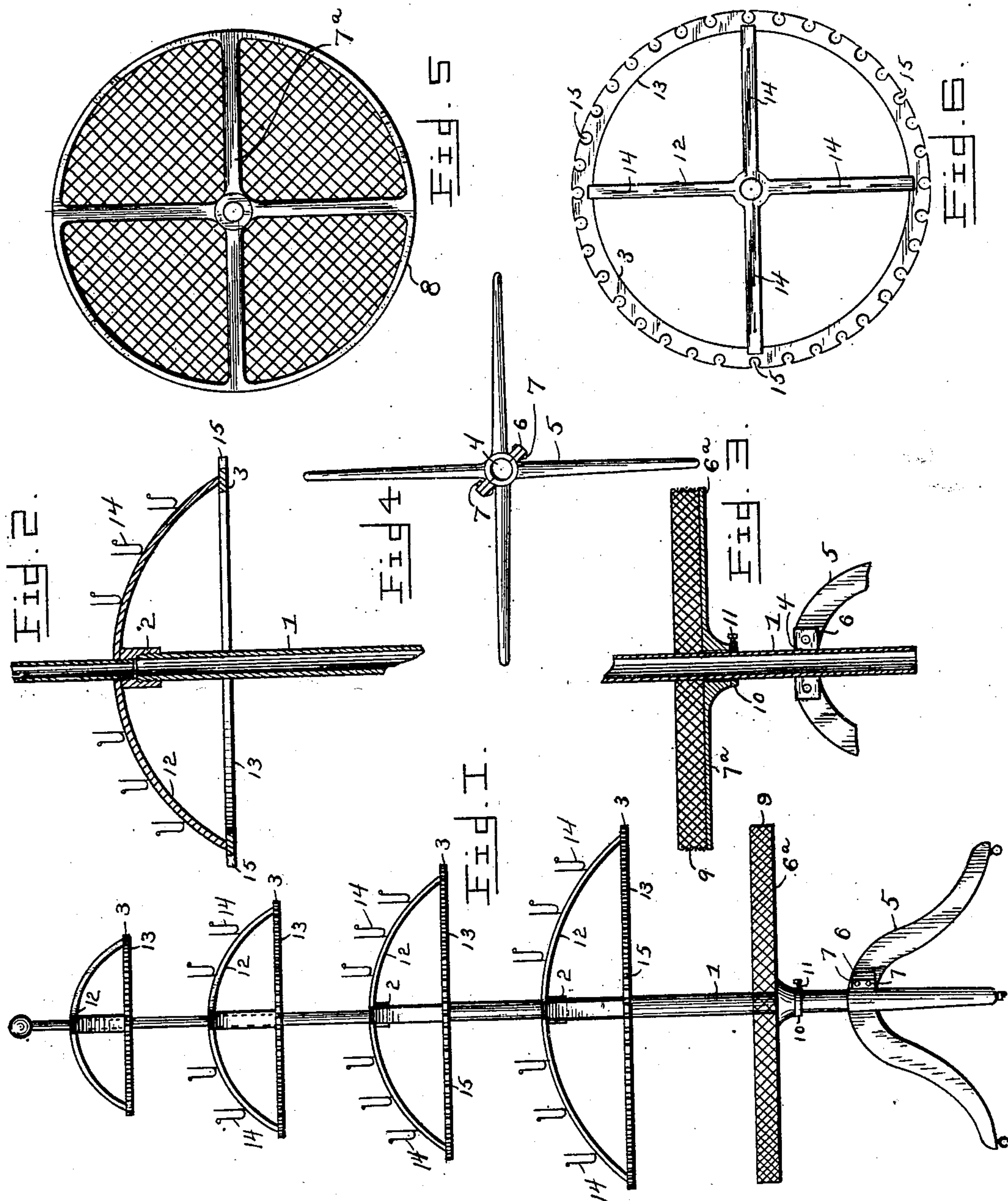
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LORAIN C. MEDEARIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Marshalltown, in the county of Marshall and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Display-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in display-racks.

10 The object of the present invention is to improve the construction of display-racks and to provide a simple and comparatively inexpensive one designed especially for use in harness establishments and adapted to support and advantageously display a large number of currycombs, brushes, and other articles.

15 The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed out in the claim hereto appended.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation of a display-rack constructed in accordance with this invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged sectional view illustrating the construction of one of the supports. Fig. 3 is a similar view illustrating the construction of the shelf and the legs. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the legs. Fig. 5 is a reverse plan view of the shelf. 20 Fig. 6 is a plan view of one of the supports.

30 Like numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures of the drawings.

1 designates a tapering tubular standard composed of sections gradually decreasing in diameter from the bottom to the top of the standard and having their adjacent ends threaded and connected by a coupling collar or sleeve 2, which forms a shoulder for a circular support 3. The lower end of the standard fits within a circular opening 4, formed by a sectional sleeve at the top of inclined legs 5. The legs form a stand which is constructed of two sections provided at opposite sides with perforated ears or lugs 6, connected by bolts 7 or other suitable fastening devices which form a clamp for frictionally engaging the lower portion of the standard. By this construction the standard is adjustably secured to the stand and may be raised or lowered, as desired.

50 A shelf 6^a is located a short distance above

the legs, and it consists of a spider 7^a, having its arms connected at their outer ends by a ring 8 and a wire-fabric covering. The shelf is provided at its periphery with a flange or wall 9 and is adapted to hold a large number of small articles. The spider, which is provided with a central hub, is supported upon a collar 10, having a clamping-screw 11, adapted to engage the standard, as clearly illustrated in Fig. 3 of the accompanying drawings. The woven-wire shelf is adapted to be rotated on the collar, and it is light, strong, and durable. The supports 3 also consist of a spider 12 and a ring 13, connecting the arms of the spider, which is provided at its center with an opening to receive the standard. The arms of the spider are curved downward and are provided at different points with clips 14, located at different elevations, as clearly illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2 of the accompanying drawings, and adapted to receive brushes and hold the same in an advantageous position for displaying them. The supports gradually decrease in diameter from the bottom to the top of the series, and the brushes are placed edgewise in the clips, which are substantially U-shaped, being preferably constructed of stout wire. The ring 13 is provided at intervals with an annular series of circular recesses 15, having contracted entrances, as clearly illustrated in Fig. 6 of the drawings, and adapted to receive the handles of currycombs, whereby the same are suspended. The recesses 15 are arranged at sufficient intervals to afford ample space for displaying the currycombs. The shank of the currycomb is introduced into the circular recess through the narrow entrance-opening, and the comb rests upon the ferrule of the handle and is suspended in the most advantageous position for displaying it. As the combs are suspended from the horizontal circular ring and the brushes are mounted edgewise on the curved arms of the spider, the entire space between the supports is utilized, and as the clips are arranged at different points on the curved arms the inner or rear ones are not hidden by the outer or front ones.

100 The display-rack, which is simple and comparatively inexpensive in construction, is light, strong, and durable, and it is adapted for displaying a large number of brushes and

currycombs, and at the same time it provides a shelf or support for smaller articles. The circular support, which rests upon the shoulders of the tapering standard, gradually decreases in diameter from the bottom to the top of the series to present a symmetrical appearance, and the upper end of the standard is preferably ornamented by a ball or other article.

10 What is claimed is—

A display-rack comprising a stand, a vertical standard rising therefrom and reduced at intervals to provide shoulders of different sizes, a series of independently-movable circular supports removably mounted on the said shoulders and arranged at intervals and gradually decreasing in diameter toward the top of the standard, each support consisting of a ring provided at its periphery with recesses for detachably engaging the handles of currycombs, whereby a circular series of

the same is suspended from the support, the spider or frame having a central opening to receive the standard and provided with depending downwardly-curved arms connected with the ring and supporting the latter at a point below the shoulder, said arms presenting convex upper faces and concave lower faces, and the clips extending upward from the convex upper faces of the arms and located at different elevations and adapted to receive and support brushes, whereby all of the latter will be exposed to view, substantially as described.

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

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