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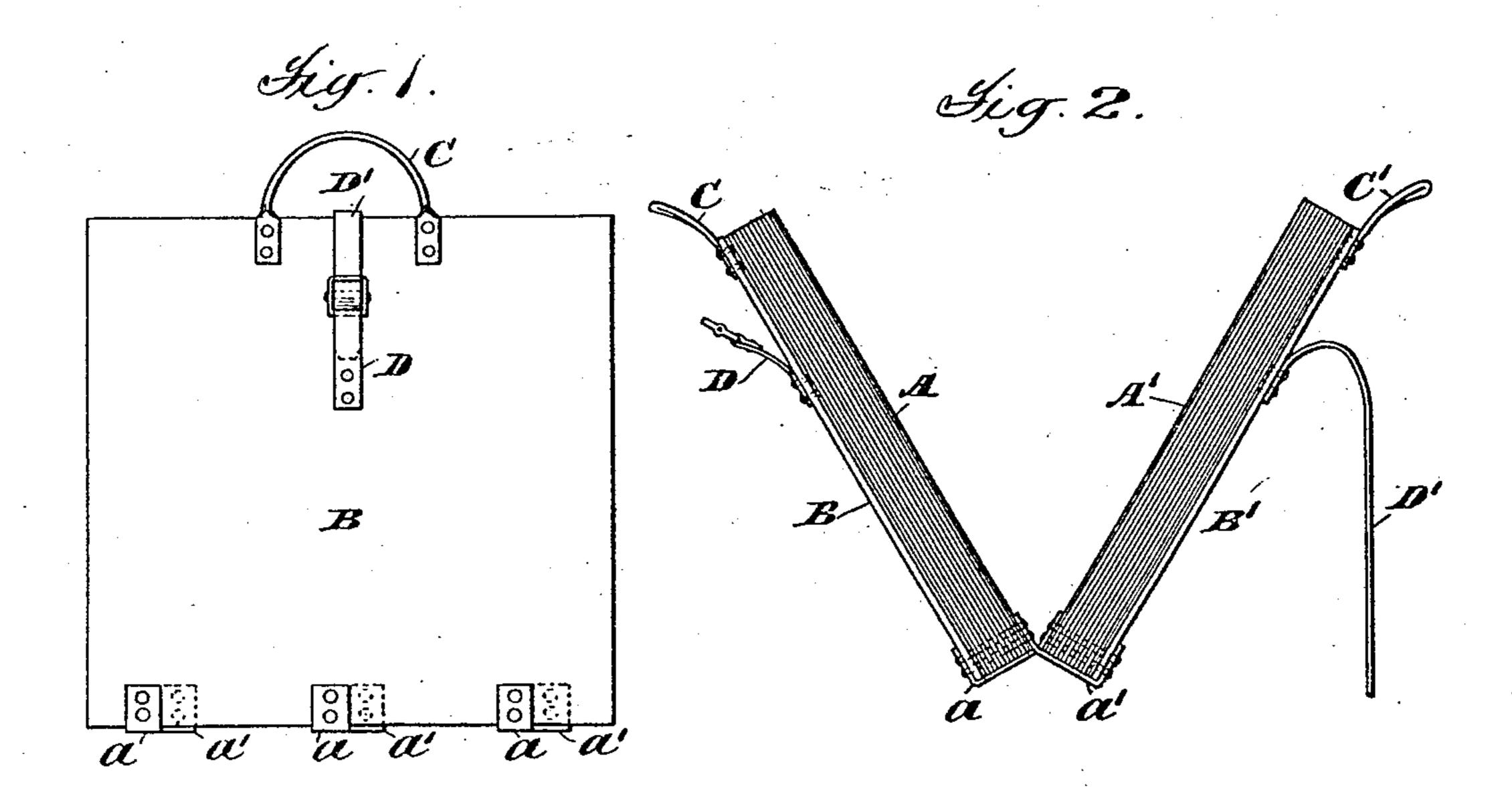
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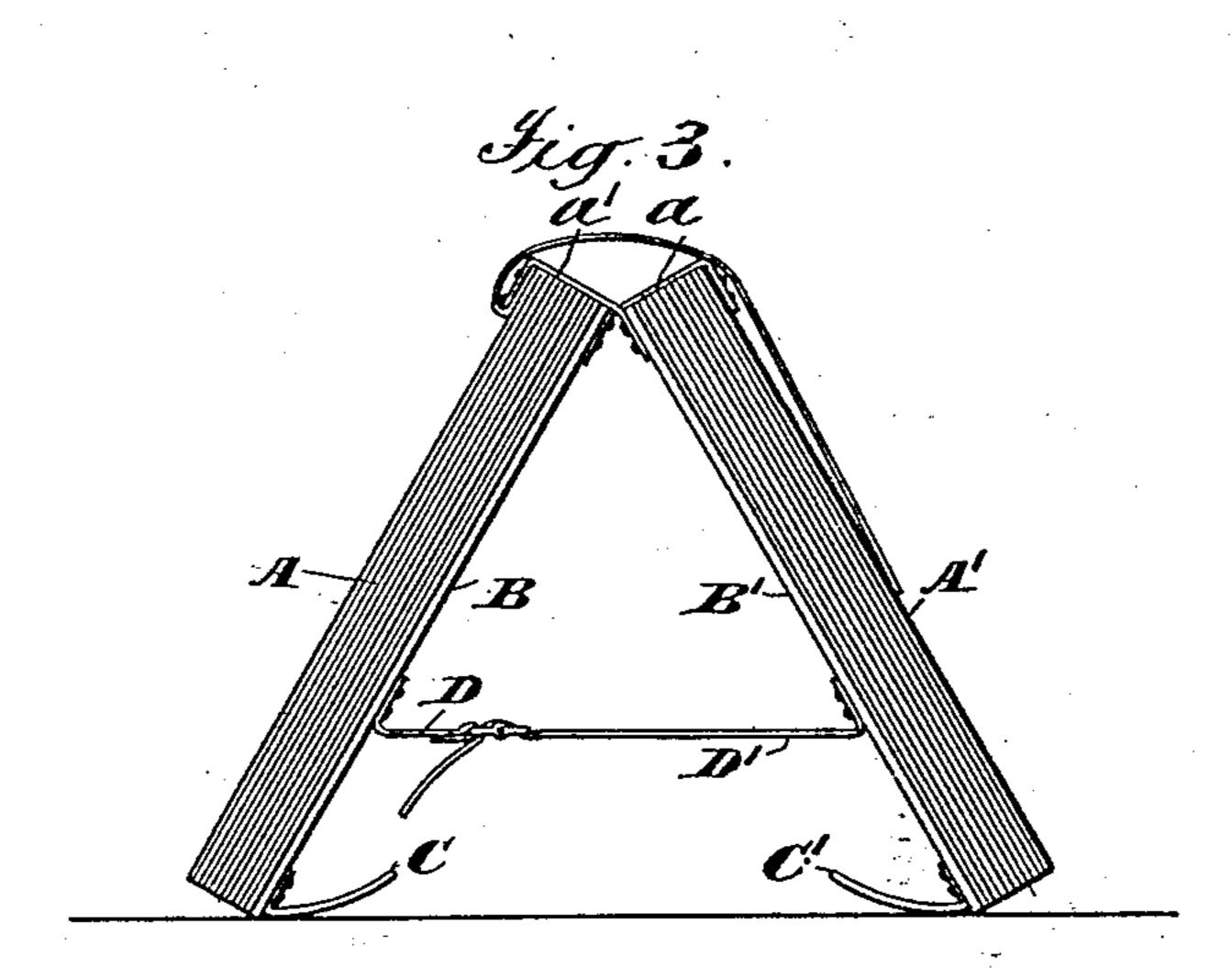
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## COMBINED SAMPLE CARRIER AND DISPLAY-RACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Philip H. Moog, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York city, county of New York, State of New York, have invented a Combined Sample Carrier and Display-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to means for carrying and displaying samples of goods, and has for its object to construct a simple device that will act as a combined carrier and display, rack for samples cut in sheets or leaves—such, for instance, as the usual samples of wall-paper.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side view of my improved device in the form of a combined carrier and display-rack represented as closed as a carrier. Fig. 2 is an end view of the device shown partly opened out from the closed position shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is an end view of the device represented as turned into the position of a stand or display-rack.

In the drawings, A A' represent two series of sample-sheets, such as two books of wall-paper samples, and B B' illustrate two rigid or stiff backs of cardboard, wood, or any other suitable material.

The series of leaves A A' and the backs B B' are connected together along one edge by 30 a flexible joint that will permit the parts A A' B B' being closed together like a book or rectangular satchel, with the stiff backs or covers outside, as shown in Fig. 1, and will also permit the backs being bent backward in the op-35 posite direction toward each other, as shown in Fig. 3, with the series of sheets or leaves outside. The flexible joint here shown consists of short straps a a', one end of each strap abeing secured to the outside of the samplesheet series A' of the set A' B' and the other end secured to the outside of the back B of the set A B and one end of each strap u' being secured to the outside of the sample-sheet series A and the other end secured to the out-

side of back B'. To the said backs B B' are secured strap-handles C C', respectively, that may be brought together when the carrier is closed, as shown in Fig. 1, and both strap-

handles grasped in one hand to carry the de-Also straps D D' are secured to the 50 backs BB', respectively, which straps act in two capacities. When the device is closed, Fig. 1, the straps D D' are buckled together over the series of leaves or books A A' to keep the carrier closed, and when the device is 55 opened out as a stand or display-rack the straps D D' are buckled together between the backs BB', as shown in Fig. 3, for the purpose of steadying and holding these backs in the position to form a display-rack—that is, the straps 60 D D' prevent spreading of the parts A B and A'B' because of the weight of the device when it is set up as a rack, and should the rack be set up on a smooth surface the straps D D' prevent the lower edges of the 65 backs from slipping apart on the surface.

With the rack in the position shown in Fig. 3 the sheets or leaves of either book A or A' may readily be thrown over the top of the rack to display the different sheets in the books. 70 One sheet from book A is represented as thrown over the top of the device to display the second sheet in the book A.

It will be evident that various modifications could be made in the device without depart-75 ing from the invention as set forth in the claims hereto appended, and I do not limit myself to the specific construction shown and described. While the sample-leaves are shown as divided into two series, and this is preferable 80 especially with a large number of samples or the same thickness of backs B B', it is not essential. Any other suitable flexible joint may be used in place of the straps a a'. Also it is evident that the strap-handles C C' or the 85 straps D D' may be modified.

I claim as my invention—

1. A combined sample carrier and display-rack, comprising a series of sample-sheets, two rigid backs and a flexible joint connect- 90 ing said backs and said sample-sheets along one edge, said joint permitting said backs to be closed together with the sample-sheets between them, or to be bent back toward each other in the opposite direction to form an up- 95 right display-rack with said sample-sheets on

the outside adapted to be turned over and dis-

played upon said rack.

2. A combined sample carrier and display-rack, comprising a series of sample-sheets, 5 two rigid backs and a flexible joint connecting said backs and said sample-sheets along one edge, said joint permitting said backs to be closed together with the sample-sheets between them, or to be bent back toward each other in the opposite direction to form an upright display-rack with said sample-sheets on the outside, and means for holding said backs in position as a display-rack.

3. A combined sample carrier and displayrack, comprising a series of sample-sheets,
two rigid backs, a flexible joint connecting
said backs and said sample-sheets along one
edge, said joint permitting said backs to be
closed together with the sample-sheets between them, or to be bent back toward each
other in the opposite direction to form an upright display-rack with the sample-sheets on
the outside, handles by which the device may
be carried, and means for holding said backs

either in the closed position as a carrier or in 25

the position as a display-rack.

4. A combined sample carrier and display-rack, comprising a series of sample-sheets, two rigid backs each provided with a strap, and a flexible joint connecting said backs and 30 said sample-sheets along one edge, said joint permitting said backs to be closed together with the sample-sheets between them, or to be bent back toward each other in the opposite direction to form an upright display-rack 35 with the sample-sheets on the outside, said straps adapted to be secured together in either position of said backs, to close the carrier when the backs inclose the samples, or to hold the backs in position for displaying the sam-40 ples.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two sub-

scribing witnesses.
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