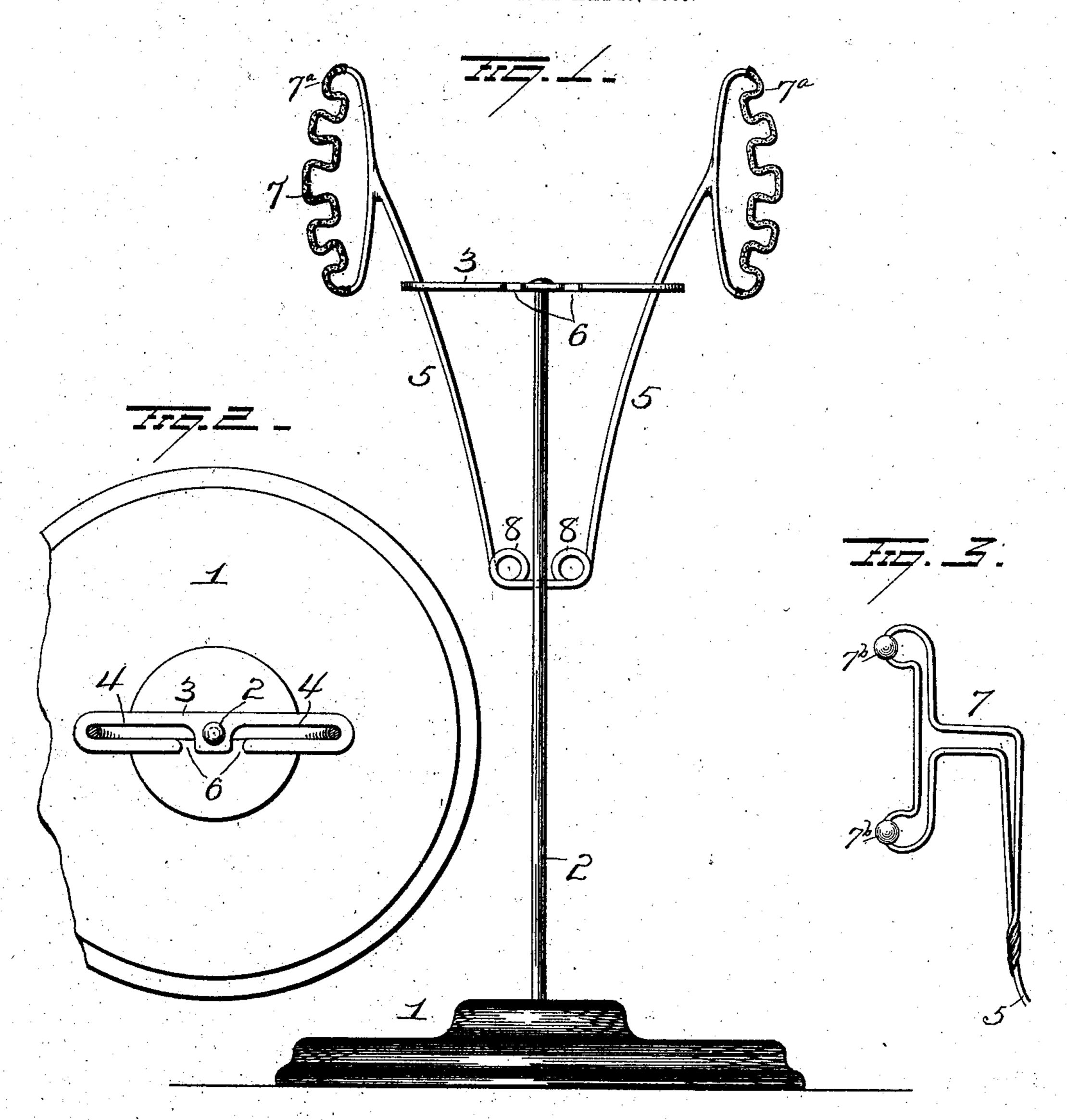
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## HAT-DISPLAY STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Henry J. Montgom-Ery, a resident of Silver Creek, in the county of Chautauqua and State of New York, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-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 10 it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to an improved hatdisplay stand, the object of the invention being to provide simple and efficient means of this character for supporting one or several hats and which shall be of inexpensive construction and strong and durable in use.

With this object in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts, as will be more fully hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in elevation illustrating my improvements. Fig. 2 is a detail view of the crossbar 3, and Fig. 3 is a view of a modified form of hat-frame.

1 represents a base of any shape and material, having a standard 2 secured thereon, and a cross-bar 3 is secured at its center to the upper end of standard 2. This cross-bar 3 is preferably of sheet metal having longitudinal slots 4 at both sides of its center to receive spring wires or arms 5 and limit the movement thereof, and entrance or exit slots 6 are provided to said slots 4 for the arms or wires 5 to be entered or removed from the cross-bar 3.

Both spring-arms 5 are formed by a single spring-wire passed through standard 2 and 40 coiled, as shown at 8, at both sides of the standard, and the ends of the wire then extend up through the slots 4 and have my improved hat-holding frames 7 secured to their free ends. These frames 7 are composed of wire bent into the general shape shown—that is to say, they form a general corrugated outline comprising a series of rounded lugs, the lugs being of greatest length at the center of the frame and diminishing in length to the

ends to form the general curved contour of 50 the frames. If desired, this corrugated portion of the frames may be covered with tubular rubber 7<sup>a</sup> or like material.

In Fig. 3 the frame 7 is provided with lugs at its ends only, and these lugs are provided 55 with rubber coverings 7<sup>b</sup>.

Hats may be supported on frames 7 in any desired manner, a hat being supported on each frame, or a single hat held by both frames or any other arrangement of the hats 60 may be devised to best suit the exhibitor.

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

1. A hat-display device comprising two 65 spring-arms and upright frames at the upper ends of said spring-arms, each of said upright frames having their outer portions corrugated, forming a series of upright outwardly-projecting lugs.

2. A hat-displaying device comprising a standard, two spring - arms projecting upwardly and outwardly therefrom, and an upright frame at the upper end of each springarm, each of said frames having its outer portion corrugated, forming a series of upright outwardly-projecting lugs.

3. A hat-displaying device, comprising a standard, a cross-bar fixed thereto and having alined elongated slots, spring-arms se- 80 cured to the standard and passing freely through the slots of the cross-bar and upright frames at the free ends of the spring-arms, each upright frame having its outer portion corrugated, forming a series of up- 85 right outwardly-projecting lugs.

4. A hat-display device comprising two spring-arms, and a vertically-disposed corrugated frame at the free end of each spring-arm.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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