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Fig. 1.

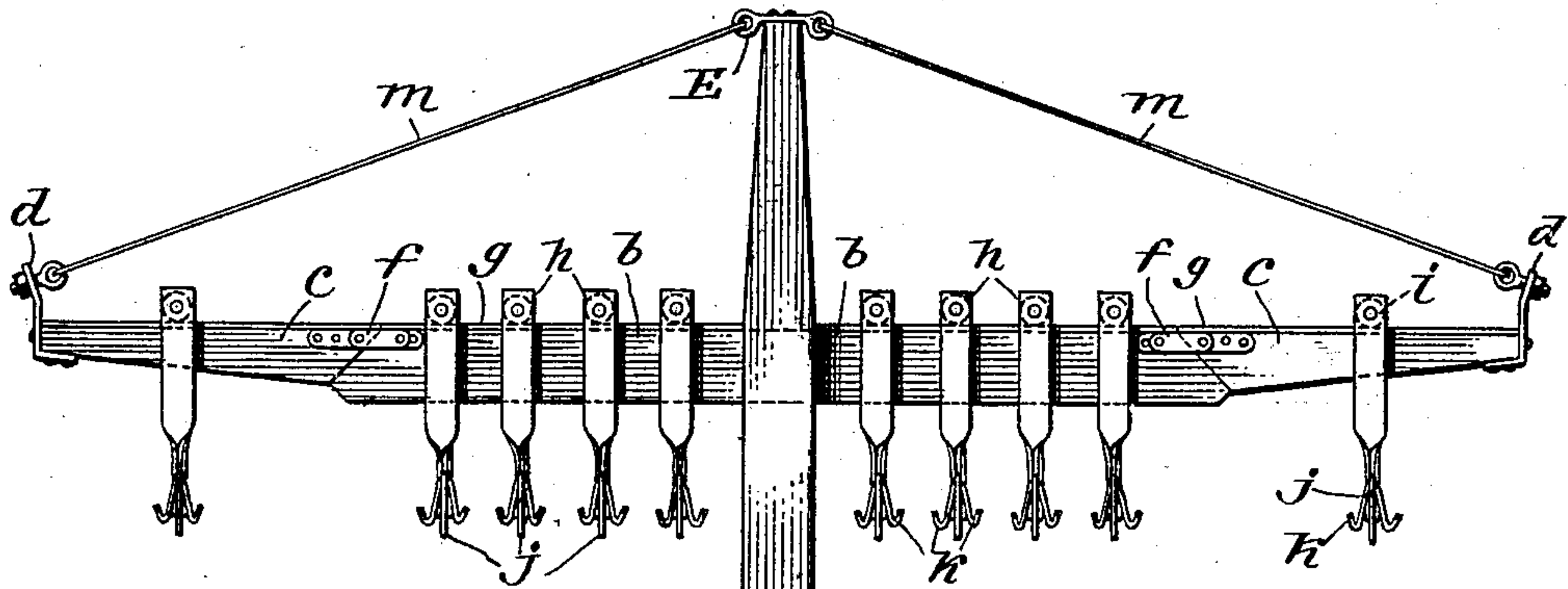


Fig. 4.

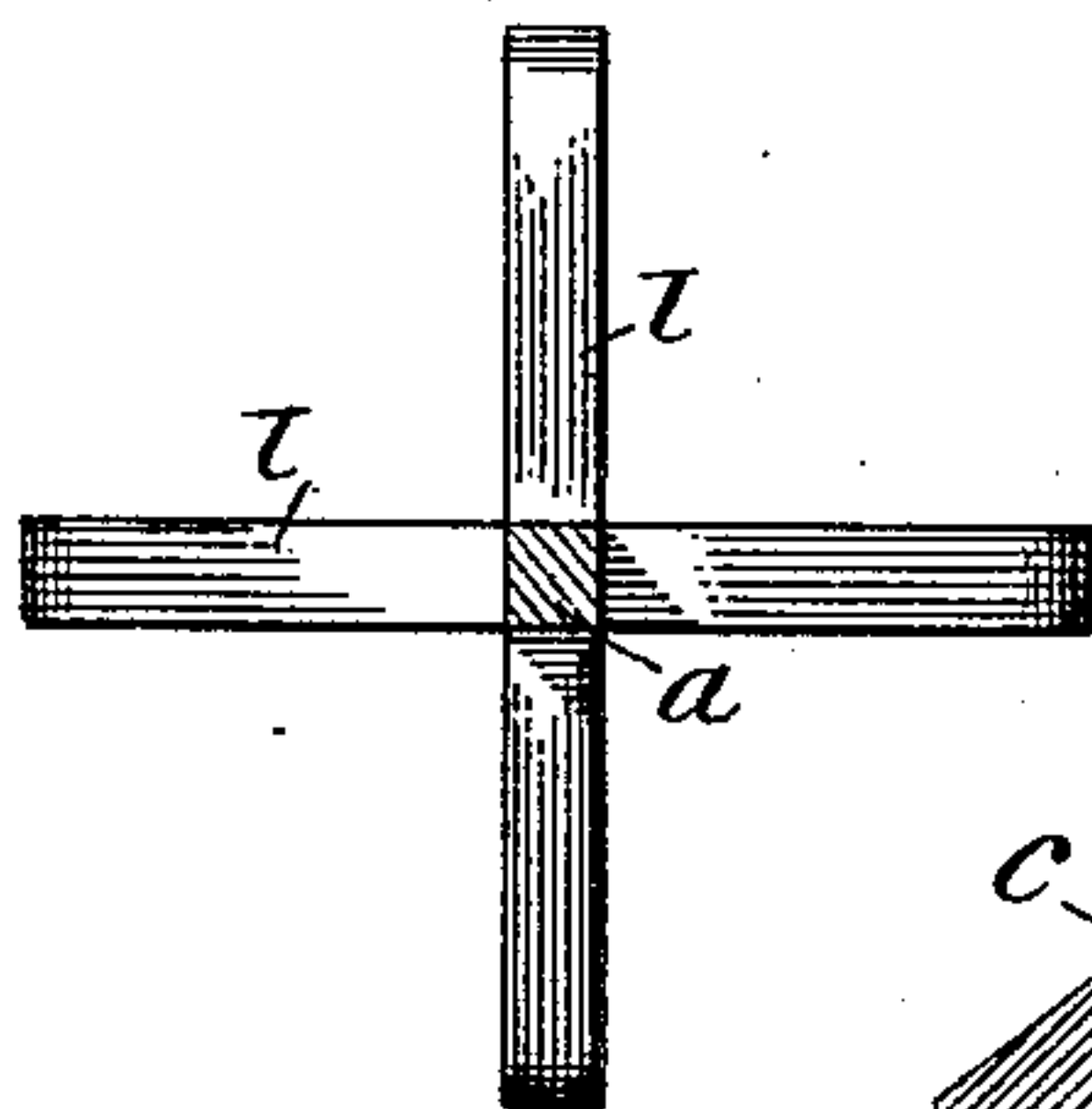


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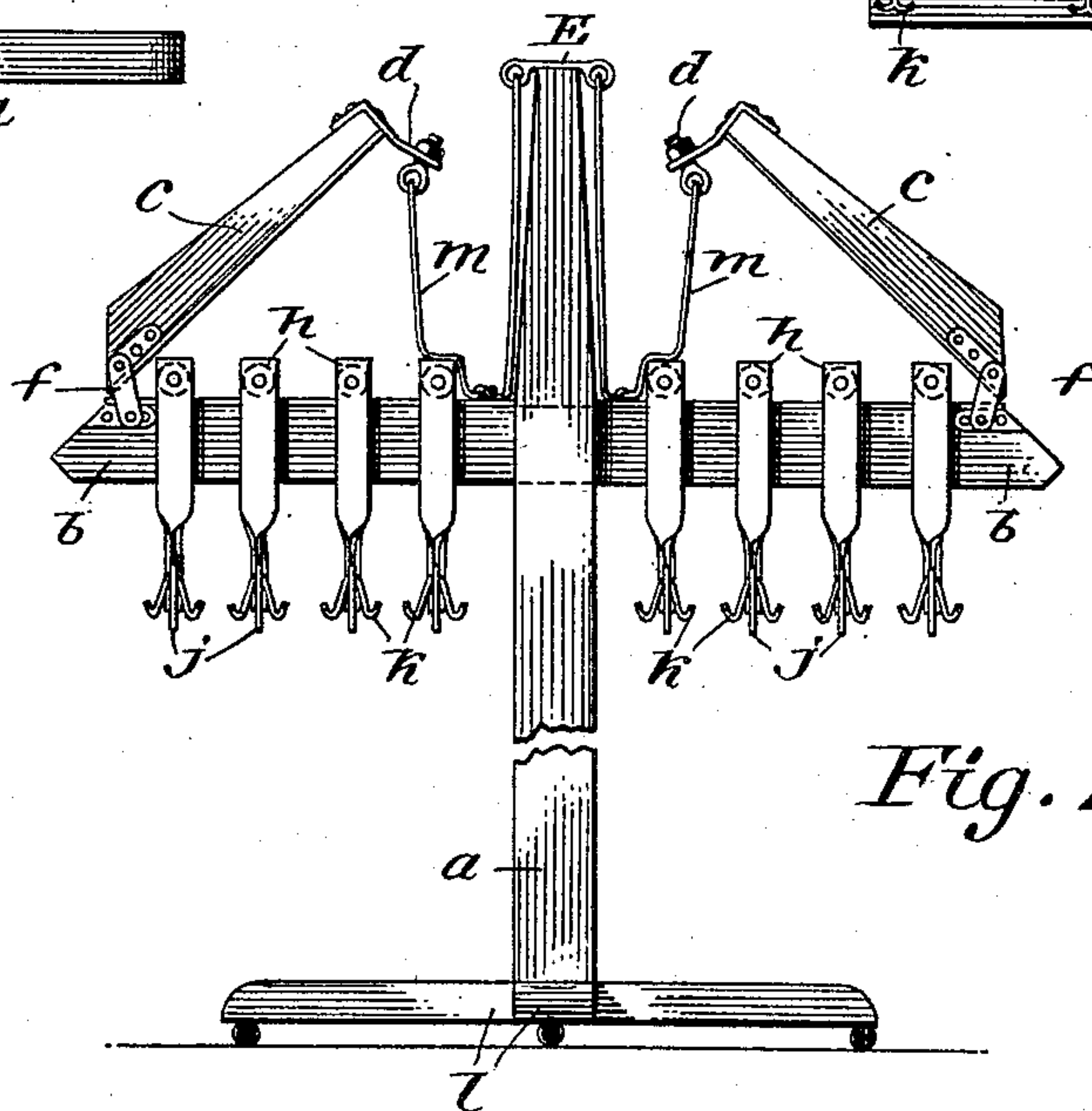
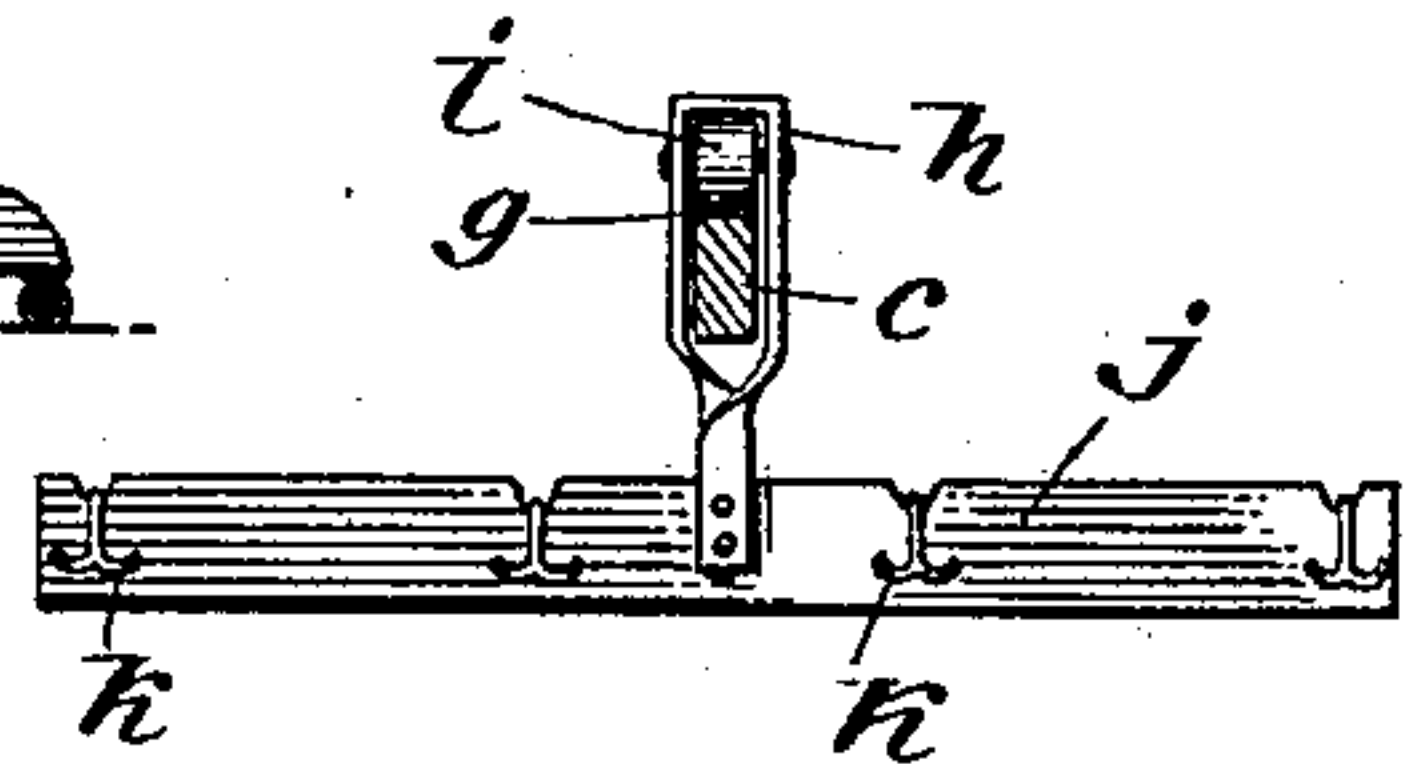


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES BURTON WHITAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Augusta, in the county of Richmond and State of Georgia, have invented a new and useful Display-Rack, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in "display racks" on which any and all dry goods, clothing, and similar merchandise may be exhibited, but specially designed for displaying and exhibiting rugs, art squares, lap robes, table covers and similar articles of merchandise; and the object of my improvement is to provide a safe and compact place for hanging all such merchandise as before described, so as to protect them from unnecessary exposure to the dust and light, or from the wear and tear of unnecessary handling in exhibiting the same to customers, also to economize in space without impairing a full exhibition of the goods thus to be displayed. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1, represents a side view of the "display rack" open; Fig. 2, the same side view of the rack as it appears folded up; Fig. 3, represents a full side view of the cross bar, hanger, hooks and rollers, as constructed and passing over the arm of the rack; Fig. 4, represents the base, or foot of the "display rack" to which rollers are attached.

Fig. 1, represents the side view of the "display rack", opened out to full size, which may be made any size and with any number of hangers, as may be desired, according to the size and number of articles which it is desired to store and display. It is constructed by the use of an upright post (a), being let into a base (L), and placed on rollers, post (a) being of such material, size or shape as may suit the fancy of the builder, through which the arm (b) should be let in or mortised. (c), represents an extension arm hinged in any manner to the permanent arm, on which the hangers (h), (j), and (k) may be pulled out for exhibiting the goods, hung thereon, to customers. (i) represents a small roller of any material on which said hangers, (h), (j) and (k) move, (g) shows a thin strip

of iron covering the top of the permanent and extension arms, on which said roller (i) moves. (m) represents a wire, cord or chain, fastened at the top of the upright post at (e) to a fastening on the extension arm (d).

Fig. 2, represents the "display rack" folded, and pushed aside, and gives a side view of the same, as in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3, shows the roller (i) through the hanger (h) as it passes over the arm (c), and the track (g), the hangers (h) being riveted or fastened to a stretcher beam of any material, marked (j), and of such length as may be desired according to the width of goods to be displayed, the hooks (k) to be either dropped in a notch on the stretcher bar (j), so as to hold merchandise, or a rug on each side of said stretcher, or the hooks may be riveted to the stretcher as may be preferred.

Fig. 4, represents two cross beams (L) on rollers, forming the base or foot of the "display rack", to be made of any design or material.

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

1. In a display rack, the combination with an upright post, of a plurality of out-standing horizontal arms rigidly secured thereto, an extension hinged to each arm and adapted to form a prolongation thereof, means to secure each extension in line with the top of its respective arm, and a plurality of display hangers mounted to travel over both parts of said arms.

2. In a display rack, an upright post, a two-piece foldable track rigidly and horizontally secured at one end to said post, means adapted to support the free end of the track in a horizontal position, and a plurality of display stretchers extending on each side of said track and secured to hangers mounted to travel upon both parts of said track.

3. In a display rack comprising an upright post and a series of horizontal arms extending therefrom and rigidly secured thereto, each arm having an extension hinged thereto and a plurality of display hangers mounted to travel over both parts of said arms, said extension adapted to fold back upon the fixed arm when in inoperative position.

4. In a display rack comprising an upright post and a plurality of horizontal arms secured rigidly thereto, each arm having an extension hinged thereto and a plurality of hangers embracing each arm, said hangers provided with a roller adapted to engage the top of said arm and travel on both parts of said arm, and a display stretcher secured to the under side of the hanger at right angles to the said arm.
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