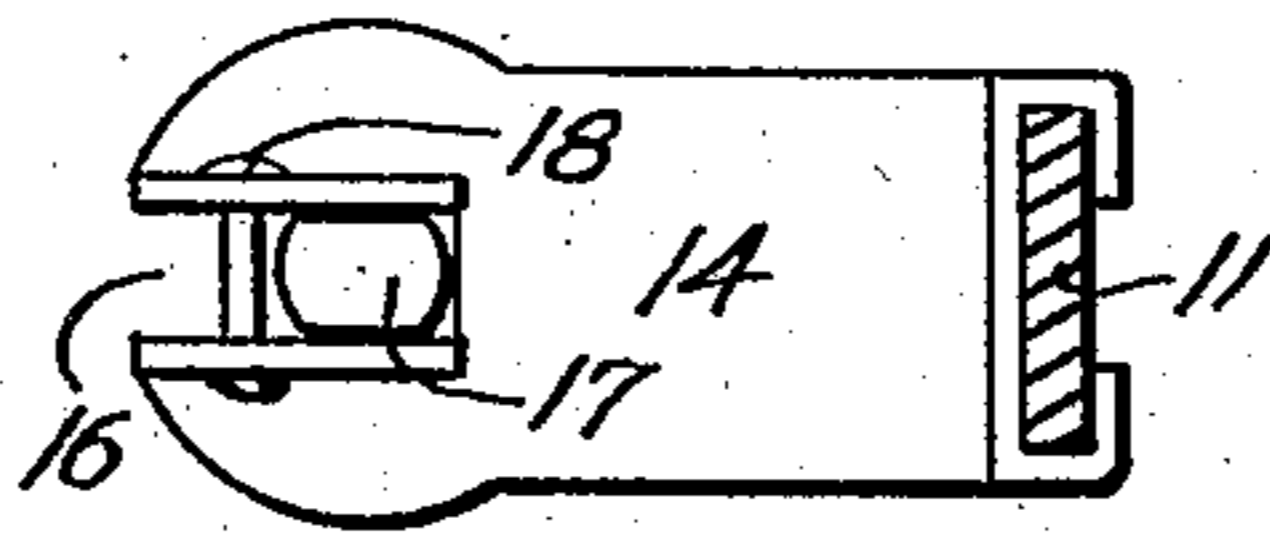
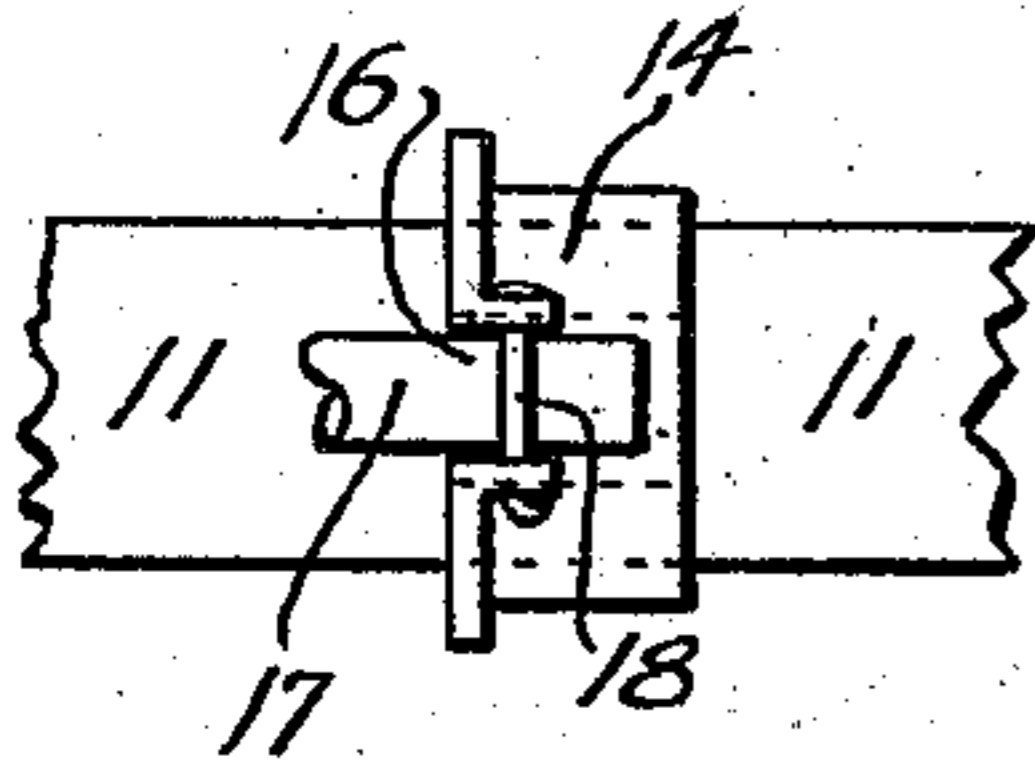
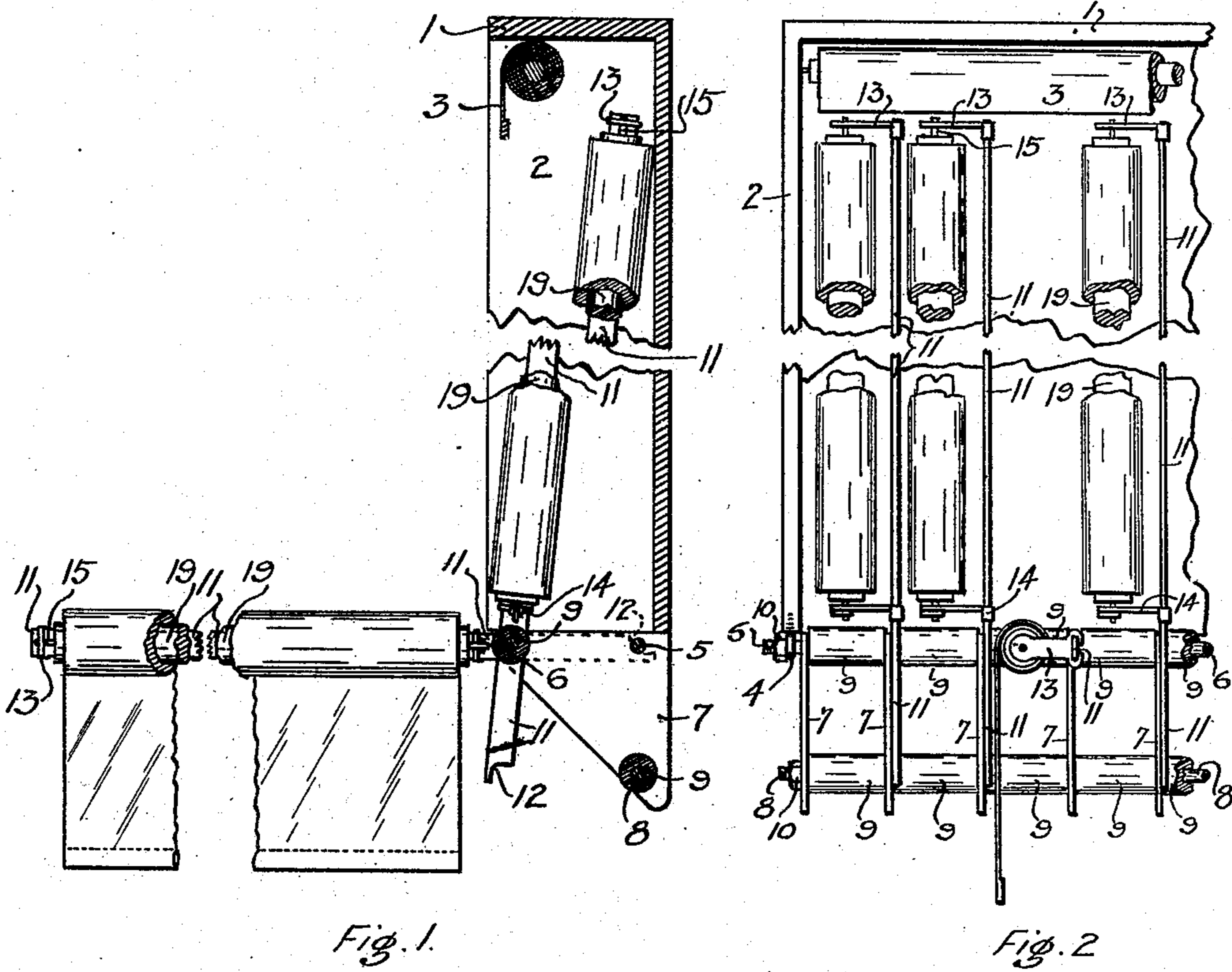


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THOMAS A. THOMPSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Tacoma, in the county of Pierce and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Racks, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to improvements in racks, and has for its objects to provide a device which will be readily attachable in a vertical position to a wall, and on which are secured bars which can be either placed vertically against the wall, out of the way, or  
15 drawn down to a horizontal position extending outward from the wall. The primary use of this rack is for the display in stores or agencies of samples of window shades. I attain these objects by the devices illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical cross section of my improved rack, showing one of the bars  
25 thereof extending out therefrom; Fig. 2 is a front view thereof; Fig. 3 is an enlarged front view showing the window shade roller bracket, and Fig. 4 is a side view thereof.

Similar numerals of reference refer to  
30 similar parts throughout the several views.

This invention consists of a frame or cabinet adapted to be secured to the wall and having a top 1 and two side pieces 2 but open in front and at the bottom. Across the  
35 upper end of the cabinet is mounted a protecting shade 3 on the usual spring roller. Across the bottom of the frame are suspended, by means of eye bolts 4, the two rods 5 and 6, and these two rods support  
40 the triangular brackets 7. A third rod 8 also passes through all these brackets near the lower corner thereof. The brackets 7 are separated by means of large wooden washers 9 mounted on the two rods 5 and 8  
45 and are held in position by the nuts 10 screwed on the ends of the rods. The rod 5 has no wooden washer.

On the front rod 6 are pivoted a number of bars 11, each bar being adjacent to one  
50 of the brackets 7. Each bar 11 extends on each side of the rod 6 and at its lower end it is preferably notched as at 12 in such a position that the notch 12 will fit the rod 5 when the bar is horizontal. In the form  
55 illustrated, each bar carries at its upper end a shade roller bracket 13, and at a point

adjacent to the pivot rod 6 the complementary shade roller bracket 14. The upper bracket 13 has a hole therethrough adapted to receive the pin 15 of the shade roller, 60 while the lower bracket 14 has a slot 16 therein adapted to receive and to keep the flattened pin 17 from rotating, in the usual manner. A small keeper pin 18 is passed through the flanges formed on each side of 65 the slot 16 to prevent the flattened pin 17 of the shade roller from falling out of the slot. Both the brackets 13 and 14 are preferably fastened to the bar 11 by being bent around it. The shade rollers 19 are mounted 70 between the brackets.

As readily seen in the drawings, when the sample shades are not to be exhibited they are turned up into the cabinet and the front shade 3 is drawn to protect them from dust 75 and light, but as soon as it is desired to exhibit any of them, the front shade 3 is drawn up and the bar 11, on which the shade to be exhibited is mounted, is drawn down into a horizontal position and the shade mounted 80 thereon is then drawn down for exhibition. It is evident that any one or all of the shades may thus be exhibited and that they occupy but little space when not in use.

My device may also be used for exhibiting 85 other objects than shades, such as fabrics of various patterns, colors, qualities, etc., or may be used for household purposes for the drying of clothes or similar uses, in which case the shade brackets would be omitted or 90 altered in form.

Having described my invention, what I desire to claim is:

1. In a device of the class described, the combination of a supporting and protecting 95 frame; a front roller shade mounted thereon; a rod secured to and extending across the frame at the lower end thereof; a second rod mounted parallel to and in front of said first rod; brackets mounted on and supported by 100 said rods; a third rod passing through the lower ends of said brackets; spacing washers on said second and third rods between the brackets; and bars pivoted to said second rod adjacent to the brackets and adapted to en- 105 gage under said first rod when in a horizontal position, and to be swung therefrom into a vertical position.

2. In a device of the class described, the combination of a supporting and protecting 110 frame; a front roller shade mounted thereon; a rod secured to and extending across the

frame at the lower end thereof; a second rod  
mounted parallel to and in front of said first  
rod; brackets mounted on and supported by  
said rods; a third rod passing through the  
5 lower ends of said brackets; spacing washers  
on said second and third rods between the  
brackets; bars pivoted to said second rod  
adjacent to the brackets and adapted to en-  
gage under said first rod when in a horizontal  
10 position, and to be swung therefrom into a

vertical position; and shade rollers mounted  
on said pivoted bars and adapted to hold  
and exhibit shades thereon.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature  
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