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Fig. 2.

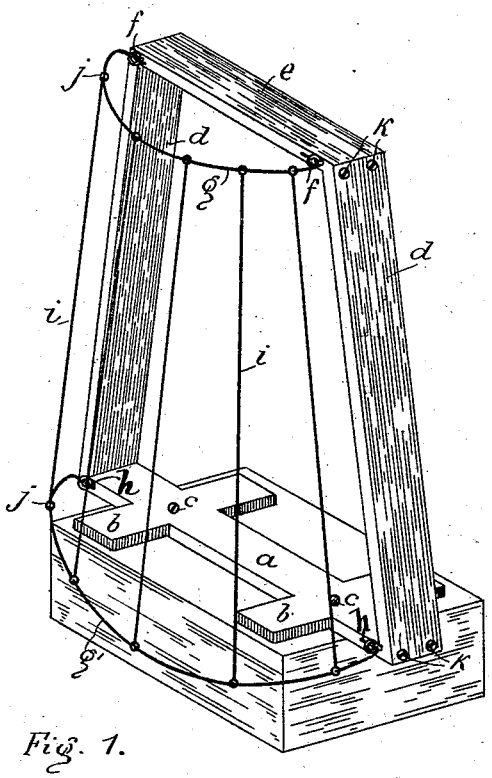

Fig. 1.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. GOODSPEED, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Displaying Fabrics, which are fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof, and in which—

Figure 1 shows my device in perspective. Fig. 2 shows end of sectors *g g'* and screw-eye *f*.

Like letters refer to like parts.

The object of my invention is to produce a convenient frame for the display of dry-goods, wall-paper, and like materials, constructed in such a manner that it may easily be set up and taken to pieces and with the least possible direction or chance of failing to set it up; and to attain said desirable ends I construct my said device in substantially the following manner, namely:

I provide a base-piece *a*, of suitable length and width and attach to it one or more transverse pieces *b b* for feet, upon which said base-piece may rest. Here they are boards shown "halved" or let in upon each other, so as to bring their surfaces into the same planes, and are then fastened together with screws *c c*. To the outer ends of said base-piece are attached upright pieces *d d*, of suitable length, which are inclined inward and connected at their upper ends by a cross-bar *e*, of desired length, and securely fastened together at the corners of the frame so formed by screws K. To the front face or edge of said frame at its four corners are inserted screw-eyes *f* in vertical planes to the base, and into said screw-eyes are sprung the ends *h* of wires, forming sectors *g g'*. Said sectors extend forward from said frame in planes parallel to the base or feet *b*, and are connected by wires *i*, having their ends looped loosely around the wires of said sectors *g g'*. The said sectors thus connected by the wires *i* become through them rigid in position on the screw-eyes, so that the outer portion of the lower sector will project out and not drop down on the floor, thus enabling the user to mount said structure on an elevated support for the display of longer articles, the device being here shown set up on a box.

When it is desired to pack this structure for shipment, the ends *h* are withdrawn from the screw-eyes *f* and the feet *b* taken from the base. The corners of the base, being also connected by screws K, may be separated, and the wires *i* may be slipped from the sectors *g g'* and replaced at pleasure, thus being able to put the entire structure into the most compact form for transportation.

What I claim is—

In a device for displaying fabrics, the combination, with the frame *a d e*, provided with feet at right angles to the base and parallel thereto, and eyes *f* at the corners of the frame, of the spring-wire sectors *g g'*, provided with ends *h* parallel to the plane of said frame-base and connected with wires *i*, looped around the wires *g g'*, forming said sectors, substantially as specified.

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