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Stereoscopic Picture Holder.

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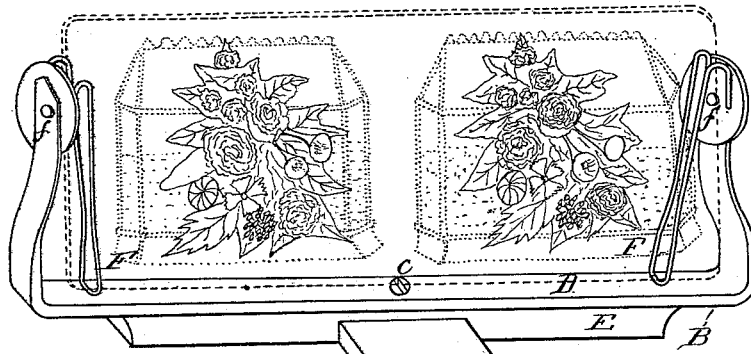


Fig. 1

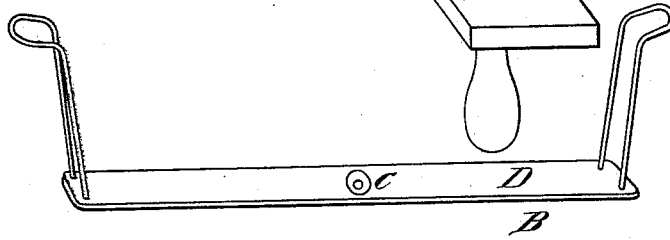


Fig. 2

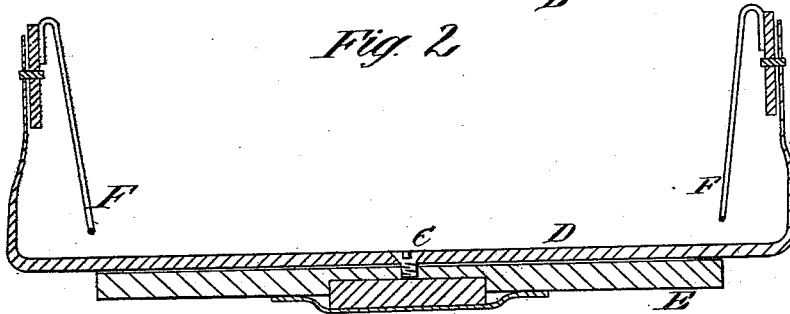


Fig. 3

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IMPROVEMENT IN STEREOSCOPIC - PICTURE HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, JAMES D. RICE, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stereoscopic-Picture Holders; 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 it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of the invention; Fig. 2, modification of the invention; Fig. 3, a longitudinal vertical section.

The object of my invention is to provide means for readily bringing into view in a stereoscope pictures on both sides of the cards without the necessity of removing said cards from the frame or holder in which they are sustained.

My invention consists in the provision of a card frame or supporter, so arranged that it may be rotated or turned in order to bring both sides of the card into view through the stereoscopic glasses, said frame being made to rotate either on a horizontal or vertical axis.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, A shows an ordinary stereoscope, having a rear extension, *a*, on which the card support or holder slides. B represents the card supporter or holder, arranged in any suitable manner, so that it may be turned around to expose

to view through the glasses first one side of a card and then the other, thus dispensing with the necessity of lifting said card out of its frame and reversing it with the fingers before returning it to position to gaze upon a picture imprinted on the other side.

The rotation may be effected by means of a pivotal pin, C, passing through the bar D, which forms the base of the holder and into the slide E, allowing the holder to be turned on its vertical axis; or a supplementary frame, F, having bearings at *f f*, and rotating on a horizontal axis, may be substituted instead; or both forms, which I regard as equivalent, may be employed at once, thus providing a holder adapted to reversible cards having pictures on both sides, with their tops at the same edge of the card, and also to reversible cards, the pictures on the opposite sides of which have their tops at different edges.

What I claim as my invention is—

A pivoted stereoscopic-picture holder, reversible upon its axis, to expose the opposite sides, respectively, of the card to the same point of view, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 25th day of May, 1875.

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