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Show-Case.

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Fig. 1

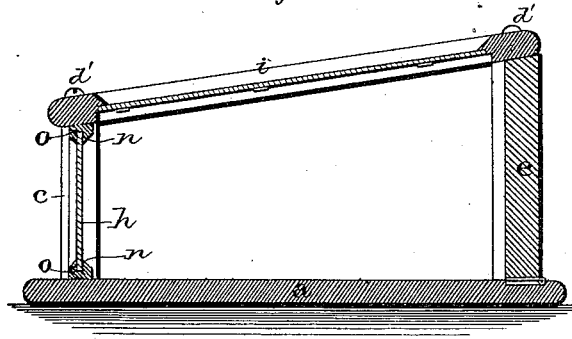


Fig. 2.

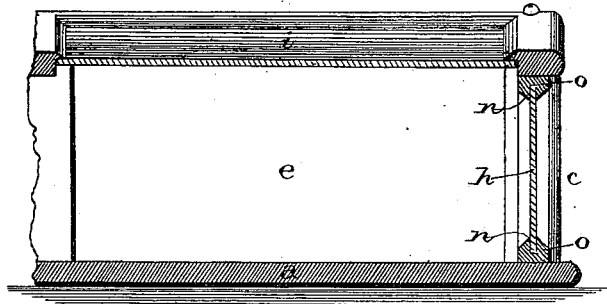
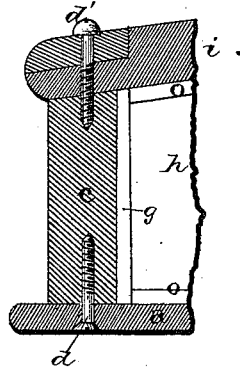


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN SHOW-CASES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. HASENRITTER, of Hermann, in the county of Gasconade and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Show-Cases; 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.

My invention relates to an improvement in show-cases; and it consists in making the case in separate detachable pieces, so that it can be readily taken apart for transportation and then put together again, and so that it cannot become loose on account of dampness and moisture, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

When the parts are put together with glue, whenever they are subjected to wet and dampness the parts are apt to become loose. My invention is intended to overcome these defects.

The accompanying drawings represent my invention.

a represents the bottom of the case, to which the posts *c* are attached by means of the screws *d*, and to which the doors *e* are hinged. In the sides of these posts are cut grooves *g*, to receive the ends of the panes of glass *h*, and in between the posts, both on the top of the bottom *a* and on the under side of the top *i*, are secured small strips *o*, which have grooves *n* cut in them to receive the top and bottom

edges of the glass, and which strips brace the posts in position. The ends of these posts are smoothed and squared, so that they rest solidly in position, and being braced at both ends by the strips *o*, and then fastened to the top and base by the screws *d d'*, the frame-work of the case is made firm and strong.

The top *i* may be constructed in any desired manner, and is then attached to the posts by means of the screws *d'*.

By removing the top the glass may be all taken readily out, the posts and doors taken off, and the whole case packed into a very small space. When it is desired to put it together again it can be done in a few moments.

A case made in this manner can be as elegantly finished, and is more readily and cheaply made than those now in common use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. In a show-case, the posts *c*, secured to the base and top by means of the screws *d d'*, and braced in position at both ends by the strips *o*, the said strips also serving to hold the glass in position, substantially as shown.

2. The bottom *a*, posts *c*, and screws *d d'*, in combination with the doors *e*, glass *h*, top *i*, and strips *o*, as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 31st day of July, 1875.

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