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Flower and Work Stand.

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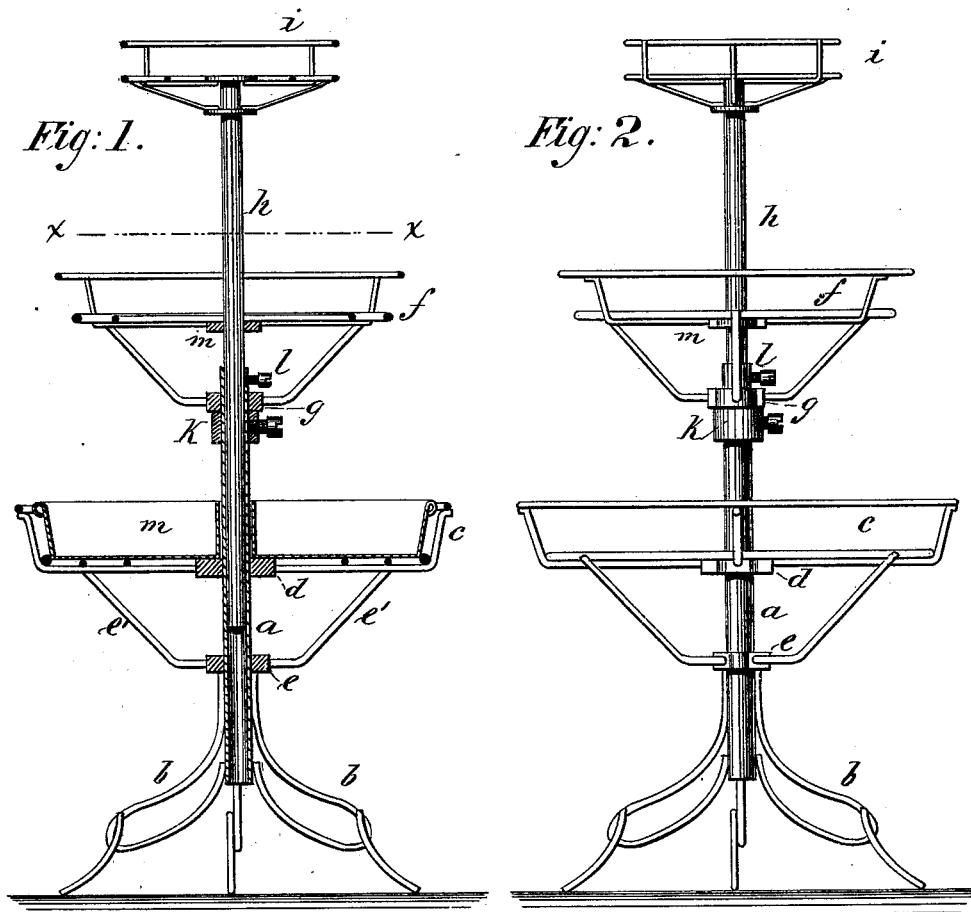
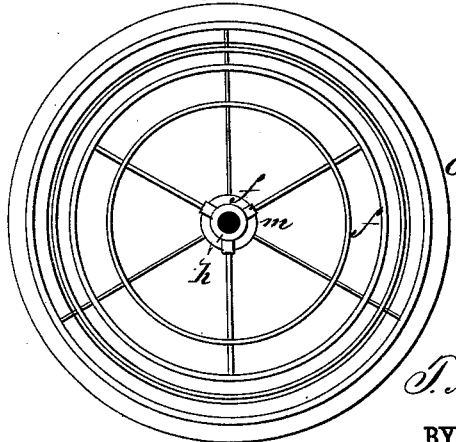


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN FLOWER AND WORK STANDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS MURGATROYD, of Clarinda, in the county of Page and State of Iowa, have invented a new and Improved Flower and Work Stand, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to furnish an ornamental stand for placing in a sitting-room or parlor, which may be used to show flowers to the best advantage when used as a flower-stand, and will be also adapted for a work-stand and other purposes.

The invention will first be described in connection with the drawings, and then pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a vertical section of my improvement arranged for use as a work-stand. Fig. 2 is an elevation in position for use as a flower-stand, and Fig. 3 is a sectional plan at the line *xx* of Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The base of the stand consists of a vertical tube, *a*, supported by three wire legs, *b*.

c is the lower tray, consisting of a central ring, *d*, which sits around the tube *a*, and supports the wire frame-work of the tray, preferably circular in form.

e is a ring upon the tube *a*, supporting the braces *e'* of the tray *c*. The ring *e* rests upon the upper ends of the legs *b*, and the tray *c* is thereby supported, but may revolve upon the tube *a*.

f is a second tray, similar in construction to the tray *c*, but of smaller size. Its rings *m* and *g* may be upon the tube *a*, or the ring *m* may be upon the tube or rod *h* of the upper tray, *i*, so that the ring *m* will rest on the upper end of *a* and support the tray *f* vertically.

I have shown a loose ring, *k*, on the tube *a* beneath the tray *f*, which ring *k* may be clamped to the tube *a* by a set-screw for holding the tray *f* at various positions.

The tray *i* is similar in shape and construction to *c* and *f*, but still smaller. Its rod or tube *h* is within the tube *a*, so it can slide vertically therein, and be clamped in any position by the set-screw *l*. I prefer to attach the tray *i* firmly upon the upper end of the rod *h*.

The ornamental pan or receptacle *m* is imperforate, and is to be placed within the trays *c* and *f*, or the tray *c* only, as seen in Fig. 1. This receptacle *m* is divided by partitions into smaller spaces for the reception of articles used by ladies at their work. The pan *m* is placed in the tray by removing the upper trays, *f* and *i*, and passing the pan over the tube *a* by a central hole in the pan. The trays *f* and *i* are then returned to place, and may be permitted to drop down to their lowest point, so as to be convenient for a person sitting down. The upper tray, *i*, can be used to hold a lamp when the stand is used as a work-stand; and, if desired, each of the trays may be fitted with a pan to retain or catch the water which drips from the flowers when they are being watered.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A flower and work stand provided with one or more trays, formed with a central sleeve or perforation and imperforate compartments, adapted to be set, applied, and used as shown and described.

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