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Fig. 1.

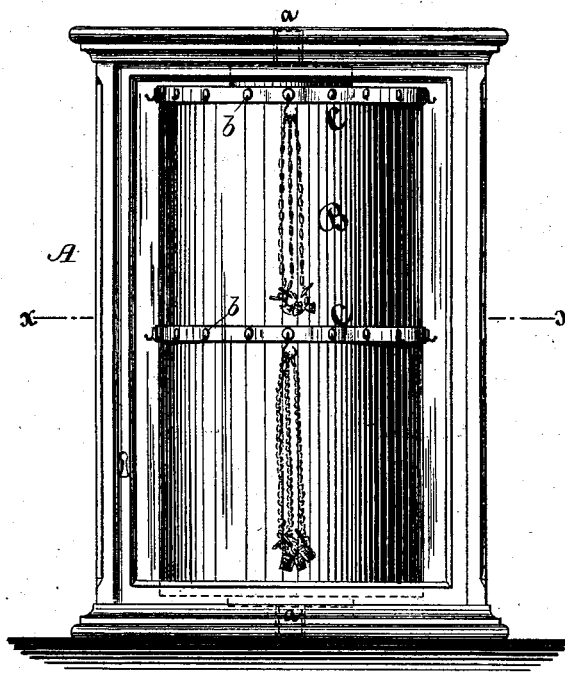
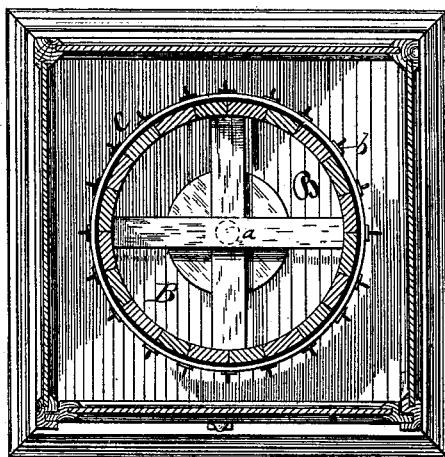


Fig. 2.



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SHOW-CASE FOR WATCH-CHAINS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EGERTON A. BLISS, of Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Show-Cases for Watch-Chains, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a show-case for watch-chains; and it consists of a show-case having glass windows on all sides, and of an upright interior cylinder which is covered with velvet and turned in bearings of the top and bottom of the case, and which is provided with one or more circumferentially-arranged bands having suspension devices for the watch-chains.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a view of my improved show-case for watch-chains, and Fig. 2 is a horizontal section of the same on line *x x*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A in the drawings represents an upright show-case, of square or other shape, which is provided with glass panels in its sides, one or more of which are adapted to be raised and retained at any height by a sash-lock or other suitable locking device, so as to furnish convenient access to the interior of the show-case.

A vertical cylinder, B, which is preferably covered with black velvet, turns by central pivots, *a*, on central bearings of the top and bottom of the show-case A, and is provided with one or more fixed circumferential bands, C, of plated metal, one near the top, the remaining ones at the middle part of the revolving cylinder B.

The band or bands C are provided with fixed suspension-hooks *b*, which are placed equidistantly from each other, and which serve for the purpose of suspending therefrom a larger

ring or hook, to each of which a certain number of watch-chains of a certain pattern may be hung.

In place of the circumferential bands at the top and intermediate parts of the cylinder, one or more rows of fixed equidistant hooks or other suspension devices may be arranged around the circumference of the cylinder. A large number of different patterns of chains can thus be suspended around the circumference of the cylinder, so as to be neatly displayed and conveniently inspected by customers, the whole forming an ornament for the store and a protection against the unnecessary handling of the watch-chains. All the different patterns of chains may thus be conveniently inspected and any one readily removed for inspection and replaced into the case. The chains are in this manner always kept in good order and exhibited in a very advantageous manner.

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

A show-case for watch-chains, consisting of an upright casing having glass panels, and of an interior cylinder, B, covered with velvet, turning in bearings of the top and bottom of the casing, and being provided with one or more circumferential bands, C, having suspension devices for the watch-chains, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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