

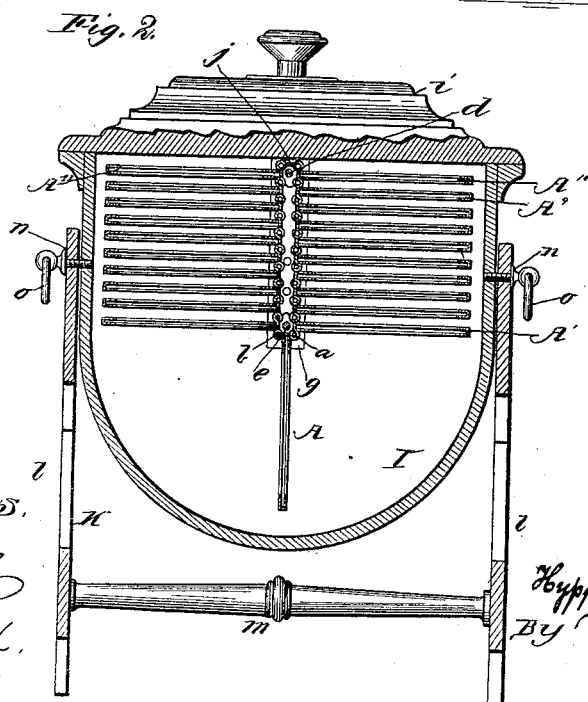
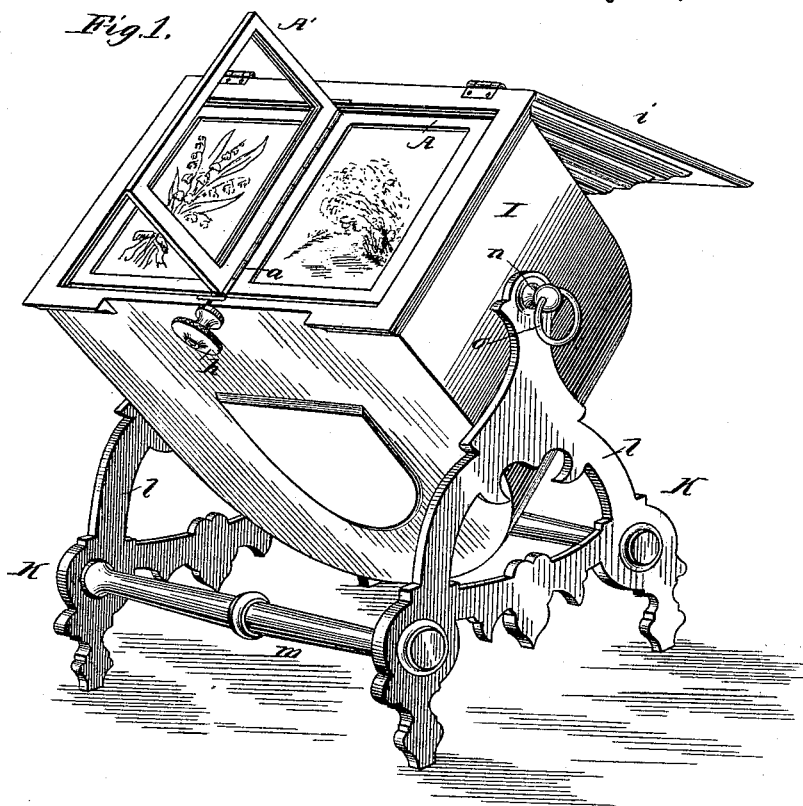
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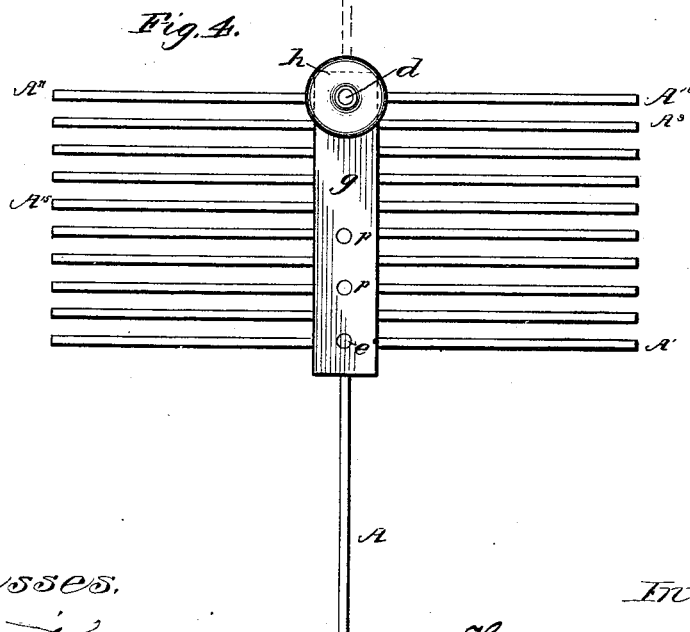
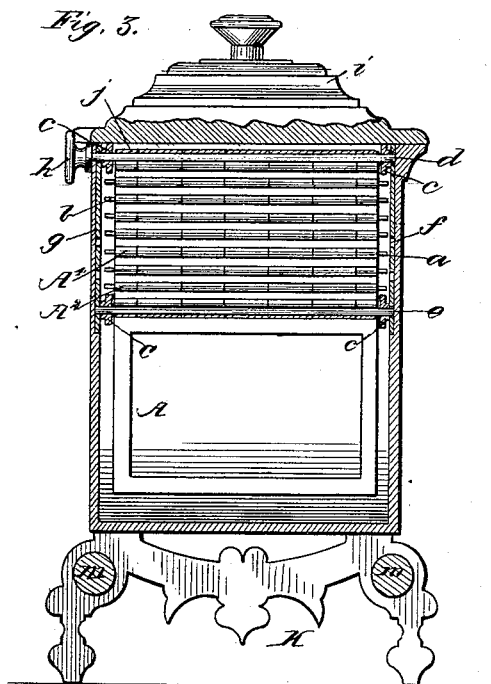
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## PHOTOGRAPH-ALBUM.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 385,838, dated July 10, 1888.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HYPPOLITE BOUSSEMAERE, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Lake View, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Photograph-Albums, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

10 This invention relates to apparatus for exhibiting photographs; and it has for its object to provide a casing with apparatus by which the photographs can be brought to view one by one by simply turning a knob, and which casing can be adjusted to the desirable angle most convenient for inspection; and with these objects in view my invention consists of the novel devices and combinations of devices hereinafter described and specifically claimed.

20 In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the entire apparatus; Fig. 2, a longitudinal vertical section; Fig. 3, a transverse vertical section of the same, and Fig. 4 the photograph-frame and connections detached.

25 Corresponding letters in the several figures of the drawings designate like parts.

A A' A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>3</sup>, &c., denote the several frames, made of sheet metal and double for inserting through one open end one or two photographs. Each such frame A A' A<sup>2</sup> has secured to its inner side a strip, *a*, bent to be tubular at both edges and notched out in a manner to interlock with the plate *a* of the next adjacent frame, A, to form a hinge and to be coupled therewith by a wire rod, *b*, passed through the thus interlocked tubes. In this manner the several strips of frames A A' A<sup>2</sup> are flexibly connected by hinges extending the entire length of such frames and forming an endless chain. The ends of the wire rod *b* extend a sufficient distance beyond the frames A A' to form cogs that engage with small sprocket-wheels *c*, each with four teeth mounted upon shafts *d* and *e*, which shafts are pivoted in holes of two bars, *f* and *g*. The upper shaft, *d*, has secured upon its projecting end a knob, *h*, by which such shaft is rotated.

50 The casing I has a semi-cylindrical bottom, and is provided with a hinged cover, *i*. Internally the two sides of this casing are grooved

vertically in their centers for inserting the bars *f* and *g*, which will slide therein, and when inserted will be flush with the inner faces of these sides, and will thus support the apparatus in a manner that the frames A A' will clear the sides, ends, and bottom of the casing while being moved vertically or while swinging past the bottom. One bar, *j*, without a frame, is inserted between the hinge-strips *a* of two frames, A A', which, whenever the casing I is to be closed by cover *i*, must be on the uppermost position, as shown by Figs. 2 and 3.

In its upper edge one side of casing I is notched for clearing the end of shaft *d* for knob *h* to be exterior of such casing.

The base K consists of two standards, *l*, connected by longitudinal rods *m*.

The casing I is pivotally suspended between these standards *l* on screws *n*, each with an eyed knob carrying a ring, *o*, which rings act as handles not only for turning the screws *n*, and thereby drawing the standard tight against the casing I for holding the same on any desired angular position, but also for lifting and moving the whole apparatus.

After the cover *i* has been swung open and the casing I has been adjusted to the desired angular position, by turning the knob *h* on frame A the other frame is brought in view, and is then swung to the opposite side of shaft *d* until all the frames with their photographs have been thus exhibited and the link *j* has reached its uppermost position again to enable the closing of the casing.

85 The bars *f* and *g* have a series of holes, *p*, to provide pivots for shaft *e* while carrying more or less frames A A', whereby the endless chain connecting them is lengthened or shortened, the hinge part of any frame A fitting the hinge parts of all the other frames A, so as to be interchangeable. Any number of frames A can be removed or inserted.

What I claim is—

1. The combination of a series of photograph-frames, A A' A<sup>2</sup>, provided with hinge-strips *a* to one edge and connected by pivot-rods *b* to form an endless chain, and the ends of rods *b* projecting to form cogs engaging with the teeth of sprocket-wheels *c* of shafts *d* and *e*, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, with a casing, I, hav-

ing a semi-cylindrical bottom and a cover, *i*,  
and being pivotally suspended between stand-  
ards *l* of base K on screws *n*, of bars *f* and *g*,  
inserted into grooves in the side of the casing,  
5 and providing the pivot-bearings for shafts *b*  
and *e*, carrying sprocket-wheels for an endless  
chain formed by hinge-strips *a*, secured to one  
edge of photograph-frames A A', &c., and by  
pivot-rods *b*, having projecting ends, all sub-  
10 stantially as set forth.

3. The photograph-frames A A' A<sup>2</sup>, &c.,  
each provided with a hinge-strip, *a*, to one  
edge thereof and all detachably connected by

pivot-rods *b* to form an endless chain of shafts  
*b* and *e*, provided with sprocket-wheels engag- 15  
ing with the projecting ends of the rods *b*, and  
of bars *f* and *g*, each having a series of pivot-  
holes for such shafts *d* and *e* to accommodate  
a longer or shorter chain of frames A, all sub-  
stantially as set forth. 20

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in  
presence of two witnesses.

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