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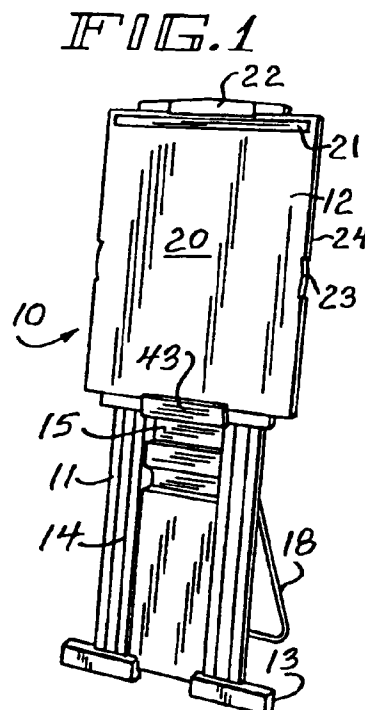
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(54) **Portable easel**

(57) A portable flipchart plastic blow molded easel (10) has a display portion (12) telescopically arranged on a pedestal base portion (11) having legs (18) pivotally secured to and foldable away from the base portion for holding the easel upright. The legs (18) and base portions (11) have cooperating interconnected means for securing the easel in selected extended or collapsed condition, for table top or floor use and having nesting structure for holding like collapsed easels stacked together during transport and storage.



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