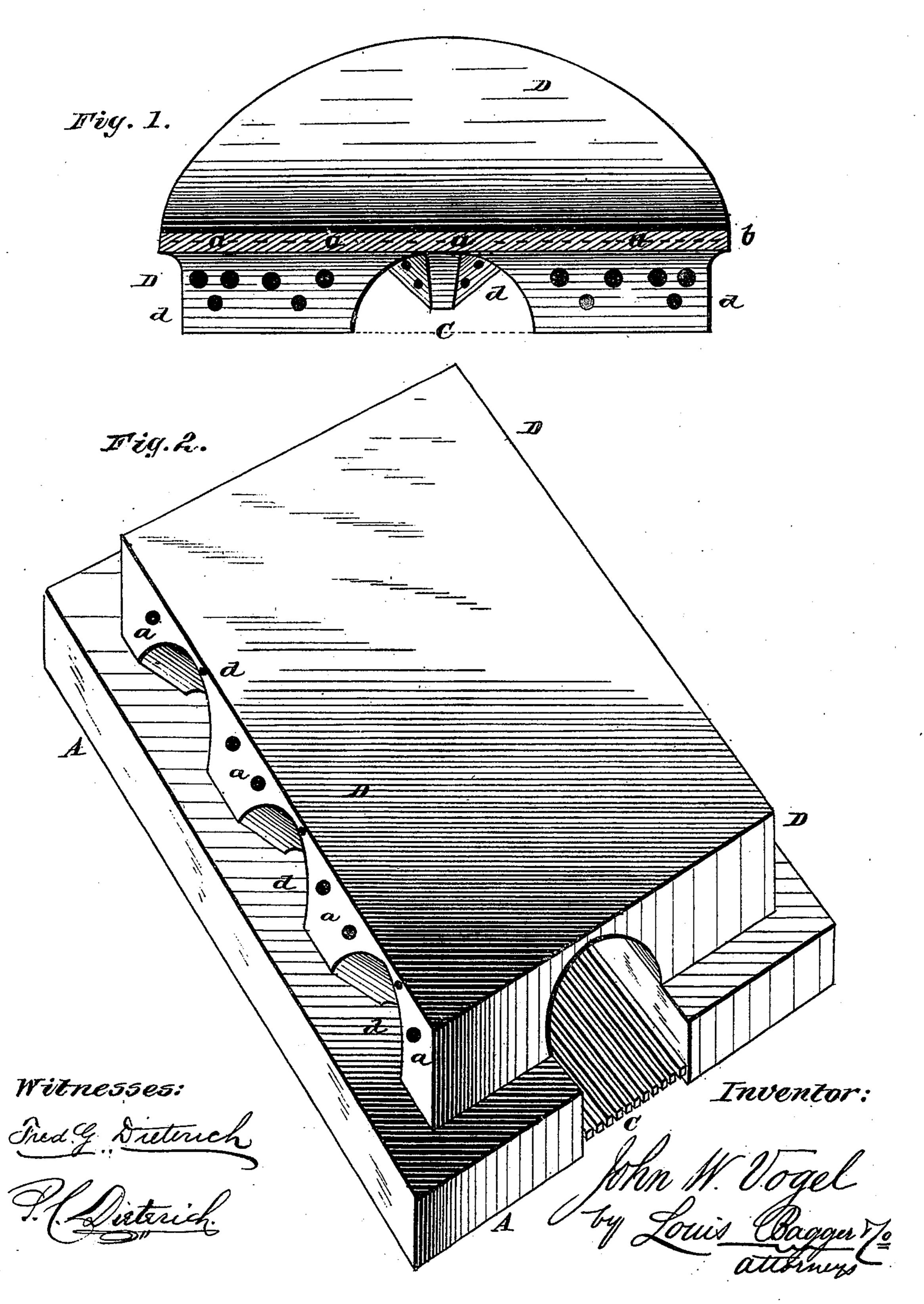
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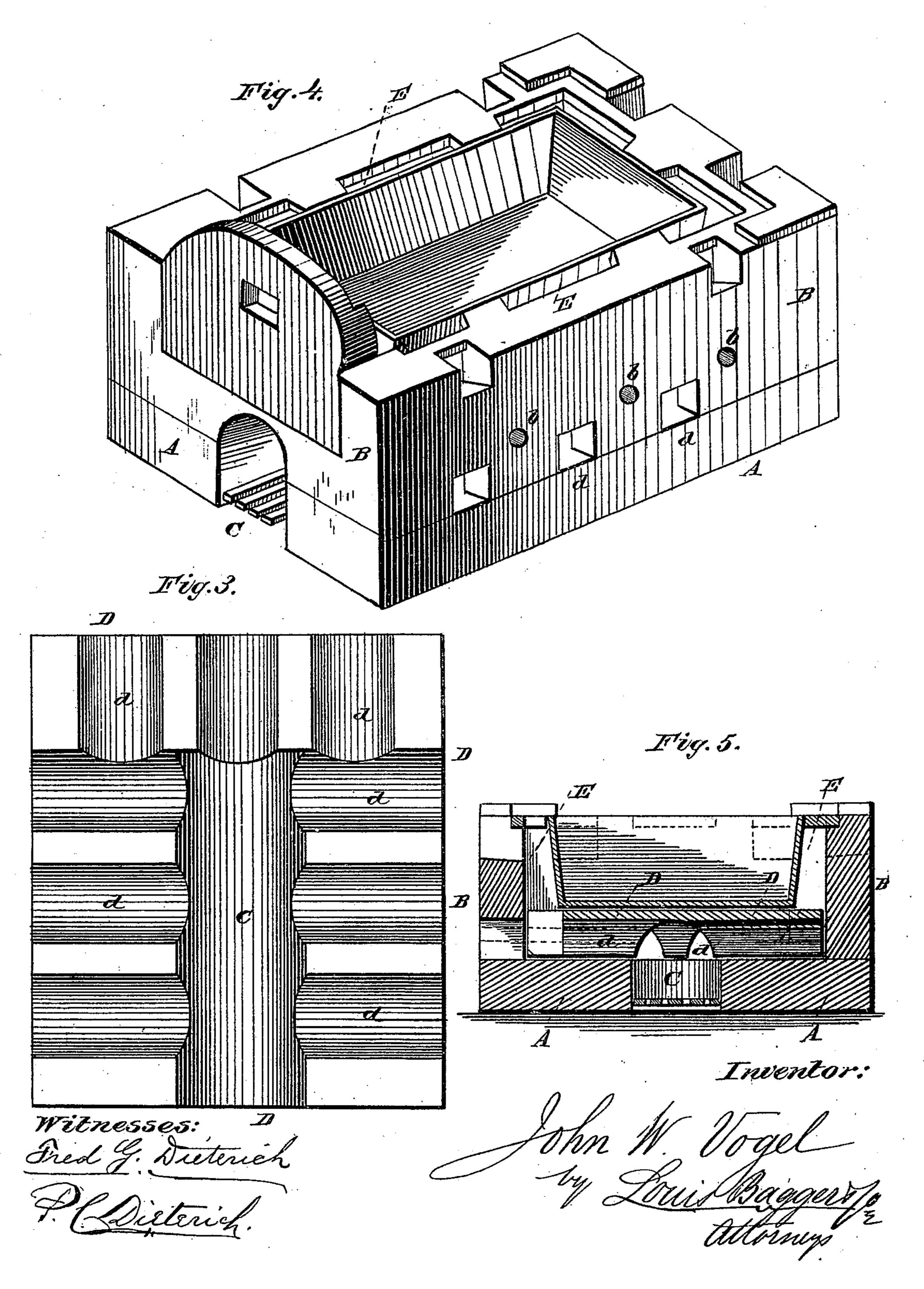
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GLASS-FURNACE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Sharpsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain 5 new and useful Improvements in Glass-Furnaces; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and 10 use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view, representing one-half of my improved pot-bench for glass-15 furnaces as constructed for a circular furnace. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a pot-bench for a square furnace, showing also the furnacebed. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan of the pot-bench shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view 20 of the complete furnace (of a square pattern) with its pot or tank, the dome having been removed; and Fig. 5 is a vertical cross-section of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

25 sponding parts in all the figures.

My invention contemplates improvements in glass-furnaces of any shape, (such as round, oval, square, or horseshoe form,) its object being to expose the tank to the greatest possible 30 amount of heat; and to this end it consists in the construction of a "pot-bench" in the nature of a platform or table, which is recessed on its under side to form hollow ducts or arches over the furnace-bed, and in the combination of this 35 pot-bench with the furnace-bed and sides or body of the furnace, substantially as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the accompanying two sheets of drawings, the letter A, Figs. 2, 4, and 5, represents the 40 furnace-bed of a glass-furnace, of which B denotes the sides or body, which is provided with the usual flues and air-holes.

C is the fire-bed or furnace proper, which (as in the case of a circular furnace) may be in the

45 center or eye of the furnace, or (as in the case of a square or rectangular furnace) it may run from front to back, or from the front end half-

way into the furnace.

D is the pot-bench, which is of a shape to 50 conform to the shape of the furnace, and recessed on its under side to form covered flues or arches, as shown at d, radiating or extend-

o all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John W. Vogel, of is in its proper position upon the furnace-bed, will extend from the fire-bed to the walls of the 55 furnace. When the pot-bench is set into the furnace an open space is left between the top part or roof of each of the flues or arches d, to permit the flames and products of combustion to pass up between the sides of the pot or pots 60 shown at E in Figs. 4 and 5 and the walls of the furnace, and thus facilitate melting of the batch in the pot or tank. In other words, the bench is somewhat smaller than the furnacebed and furnace, leaving an open space between the sides of the bench and the walls of the furnace to permit the flames and heated air, which escapes from the fire-bed through the arches d, to pass up into the dome (not shown in the drawings) and surround the pots 70 or tanks, which are placed upon the level platform of the bench.

> To prevent the bench from melting from the intense heat within the furnace, I prefer to construct it with cold-air ducts a a, extending from 75 side to side between and above its arches d, those parts of the bench through which the airducts a are made being extended so as to impinge upon the walls of the furnace, which have openings or air-inlets b registering with 80 the air-ducts a in the bench, as shown more clearly in Fig. 1 of the drawings.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. In a glass-furnace, the combination, with the furnace-bed A, provided with the fire-bed C, and furnace walls or body B, having suitablyarranged flues and air-holes, of the pot-bench D, provided with the covered flues or arches 90 d, as set forth.

2. The pot-bench D, provided with the covered arches d and cold-air ducts a, in combination with the walls of the furnace B, having air-inlets b, registering and communicating 95with the ducts a of the bench, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

JOHN W. VOGEL.

.Witnesses: JOHN EASTLAND, WM. A. BOYCE.