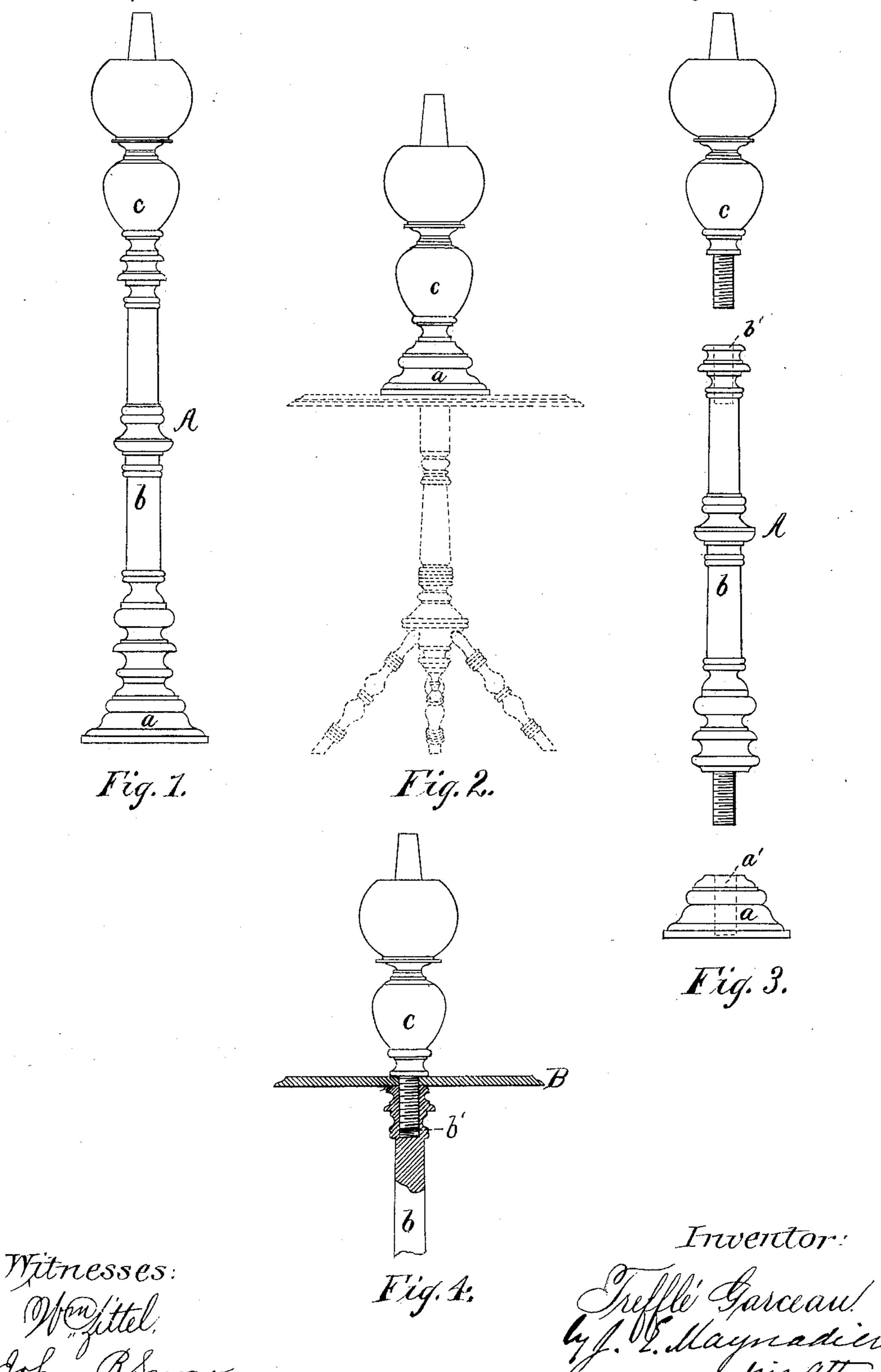
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## LAMP STAND.

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## LAMP-STAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, TREFFLÉ GARCEAU, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lamp-Stands, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in the stem or post of lamp-stands; and it consists in making this stem in three or more parts, the object being to make the length of the stem adjustable, so as to adapt the stand for use on a table or shelf or on the floor, and to enable it to be used as the support for a table-top,

bracket, or the like.

In the accompanying drawings, which show a lamp-stand embodying my improvements, Figure 1 is an elevation of a stand adapted to be placed on the floor. Fig. 2 is an elevation showing a portion of the stem removed to adapt the lamp for use on a shelf or table. Fig. 3 shows the stem in three pieces; and Fig. 4 is a sectional elevation, showing a table-top secured between two of the pieces of the stem.

As shown in the drawings, the stem A is composed of a base-piece, a, a stem, b, and a lamp-holder, c. The base a is provided with a screw-threaded socket, a', into which the lower end of the stem b and the lower end of the lamp-holder c are adapted to be screwed. The upper end of the stem is provided with a similar socket, b', to receive the lower end of the

lamp-holder c.

It will readily be understood that when the lamp-holder c is secured in the base a, as shown in Fig. 2, the lamp is adapted for the table or mantel-piece, and when the stem b is between the holder c and the base a, as shown in Fig. 1, the lamp is adapted to stand on the floor in any desired part of a room. The base a is made sufficiently heavy, by being entirely of metal or otherwise weighted, to prevent the lamp from being easily overturned.

It is often desirable to have the table free, and at the same time well lighted, and when lamps are depended upon for light it is difficult to arrange them so as to produce the desired result. With my improved lamp-stand this difficulty is obviated, since by adapting it for floor use the lights can be arranged at any desired points around the table to perfectly

illuminate it. It is also admirably adapted for lighting the music for a performer on a piano. When placed in the center of a circle of persons reading or sewing the table-top B is secured between the lamp-holder and the stem 55 b, and it is very convenient for holding books or sewing materials.

For the bedside of an invalid, or for any place away from the table or mantel piece where a strong light is required, my improved 60

stand can be used to great advantage.

It is evident that by having the stem in two or more pieces adapted to be connected together the height of the lamp can be varied

for different positions.

Heretofore, so far as I am aware, no movable lamp-stand has been adapted for use on the floor, or to support a table, or to be changed from a floor-lamp to a table-lamp, and vice versa; but some independent support has always been necessary to keep the lamp at the proper height from the floor and in the proper position to distribute the light to the best effect.

I am aware that a lamp-holder has been made adjustable as to its elevation by securing 75 to it a rod which could be moved up and down through a stuffing-box attached to the base, the friction of the packing in the stuffing being depended upon to hold the lamp at any desired position within its limited range. Such 80 an arrangement is shown in Patent No. 224,449, February 10, 1880, to R. C. Lawton. I therefore disclaim all that is shown in that patent.

I claim as my invention—

1. A lamp-stand to rest on the floor, having 85 a weighted base, a, a stem, b, and a lamp-holder, c, separably connected together, so that the stem b may be dispensed with and the base a and holder c be united to make a lamp-stand of the ordinary height for table use, substango tially as set forth.

2. In combination with a lamp-stand composed of sections adapted to be fastened to each other, a table-top or similar article secured between two of the sections, substantially as 95

and for the purposes specified.

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