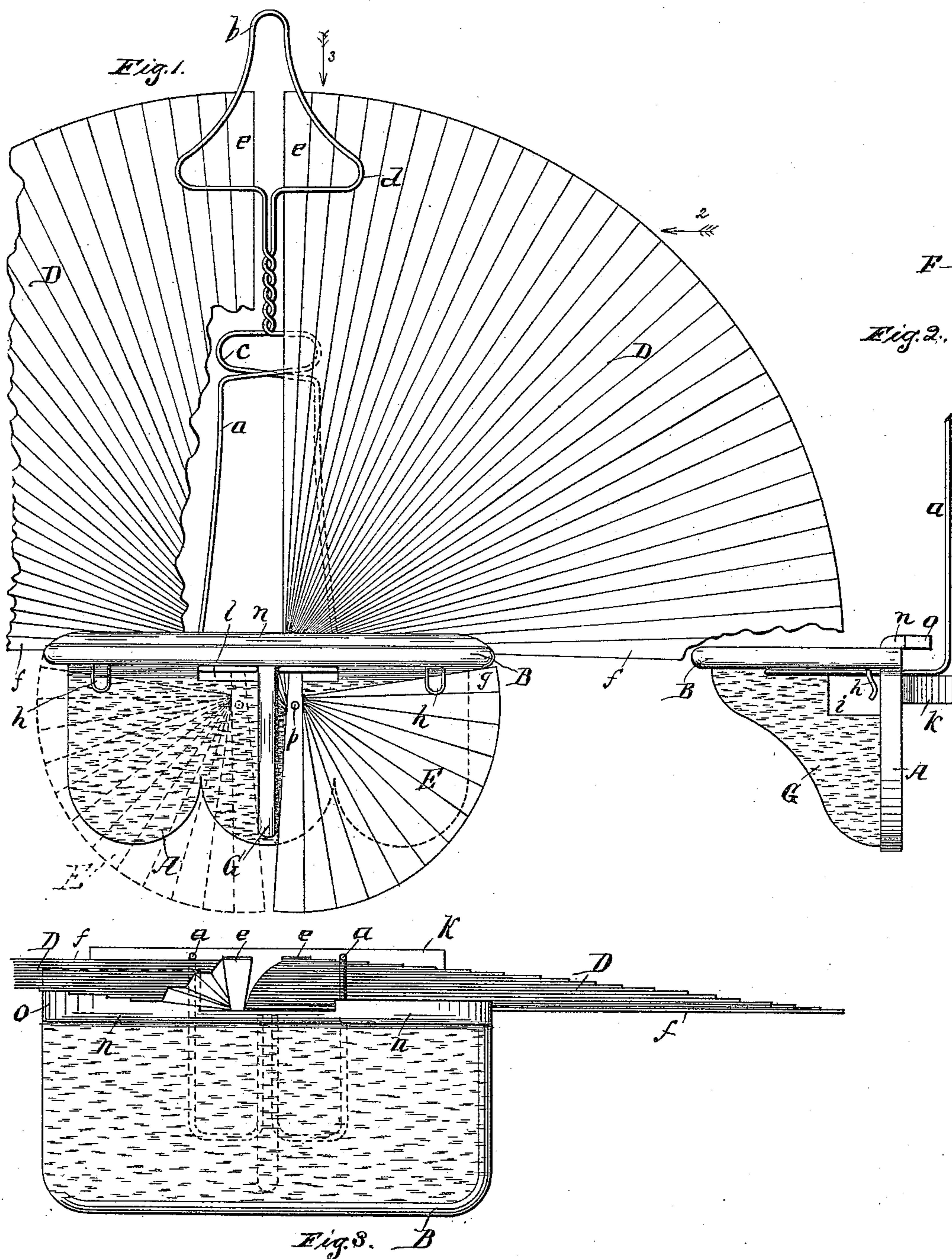


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MALACHI E. CONEGAN, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Wall Ornaments, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and shown in the accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a pendent shelf for the wall formed and designed to hold fans or fan-shaped parts spread or opened out, all parts together constituting a pleasing and useful ornament for the wall, the same being hereinafter fully described, and more particularly pointed out in the claim.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the ornamental device with parts broken away and omitted; Fig. 2, a side elevation with the fans omitted, seen as indicated by arrow 2 in Fig. 1; and Fig. 3, a plan, seen as indicated by arrow 3 in Fig. 1, with parts omitted.

Referring to the parts, A is a vertical plate or part formed of wood, sheet metal, or other material, constituting the back of the shelf, and B a horizontal part, rigid with A, forming a shelf.

G is a vertical brace serving to strengthen the parts A and B.

a is an ornamental wire-hanger for the device formed with a loop b at its upper end to pass over a nail or screw driven in the wall.

D D and E E are fans ordinarily constructed or ornamental fan-shaped parts held by the device, respectively, above and below the shelf B.

The hanger a is formed with lateral extensions c and d, and in putting the upper or large fans in place the bars e of the fans are bent so as to be in front of the extensions c and back of the extensions d, as shown. The hinges or joints of the fans are back of the shelf, and the bending of the bars e in front and back of the extensions c and d, respectively, as stated, causes the fans to hold to their places on the device. The lower bars f of the fans are turned down horizontally, as shown, the two fans together forming a semicircle.

The small fans E E are also put in place, so as to form a semicircle beneath the shelf, as shown. The bars g of these fans are pressed

under or back of spring clasps or holders h, rigid with the shelf and bent near to the part A. The brace G is formed with an opening i, Fig. 2, in which to receive the parts of the fans near the joints p, by means of which and the spring-clasps h the small fans are held to place on the device. The four fans thus arranged form a symmetrical figure, and, with the shelf, an attractive ornament for the wall, the fans selected being pictorial, highly colored, gilded, &c.

The hanger a is offset from the shelf, as shown in Fig. 2, for the purpose of making room for the thick parts of the large fans at their joints.

k is a horizontal bar rigid with the part A at its rear surface to bear against the wall F to aid in supporting and steadying the device. It also acts as a spacer and relieves the hanger by holding it slightly away from the wall. The hanger a is secured to the shelf, preferably by being bent under the latter, as shown, an opening l being formed in the part A to allow the wires to pass through.

An overhanging ledge or part n is secured to the upper surface of the shelf partly to give finish to the shelf and also to aid in steadying the large fans. The lower bar f of the right-hand fan rests under the narrow part of the ledge, while the more extended part o of the ledge is intended to meet the bar f of the left-hand fan. The bar f of the left-hand fan corresponds with the bar e of the right-hand fan, and is on the farther side or next the wire or hanger.

What I claim as my invention is—

An ornament for the wall, consisting of a shelf and fans arranged thereon, in combination with a hanger for the device formed with lateral extensions c and d above the shelf, the fans having rests at the back of the shelf with said lateral extensions bearing on opposite sides of the fans, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this 24th day of May, 1890, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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