

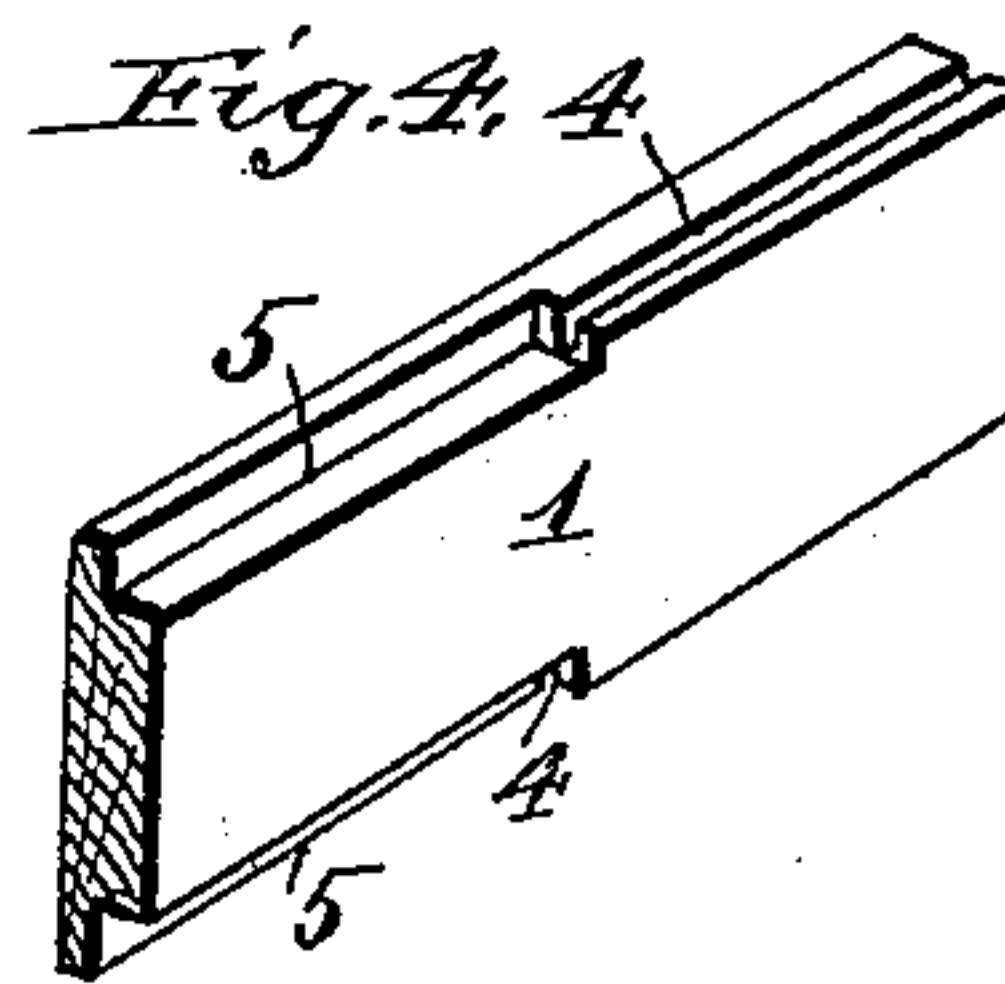
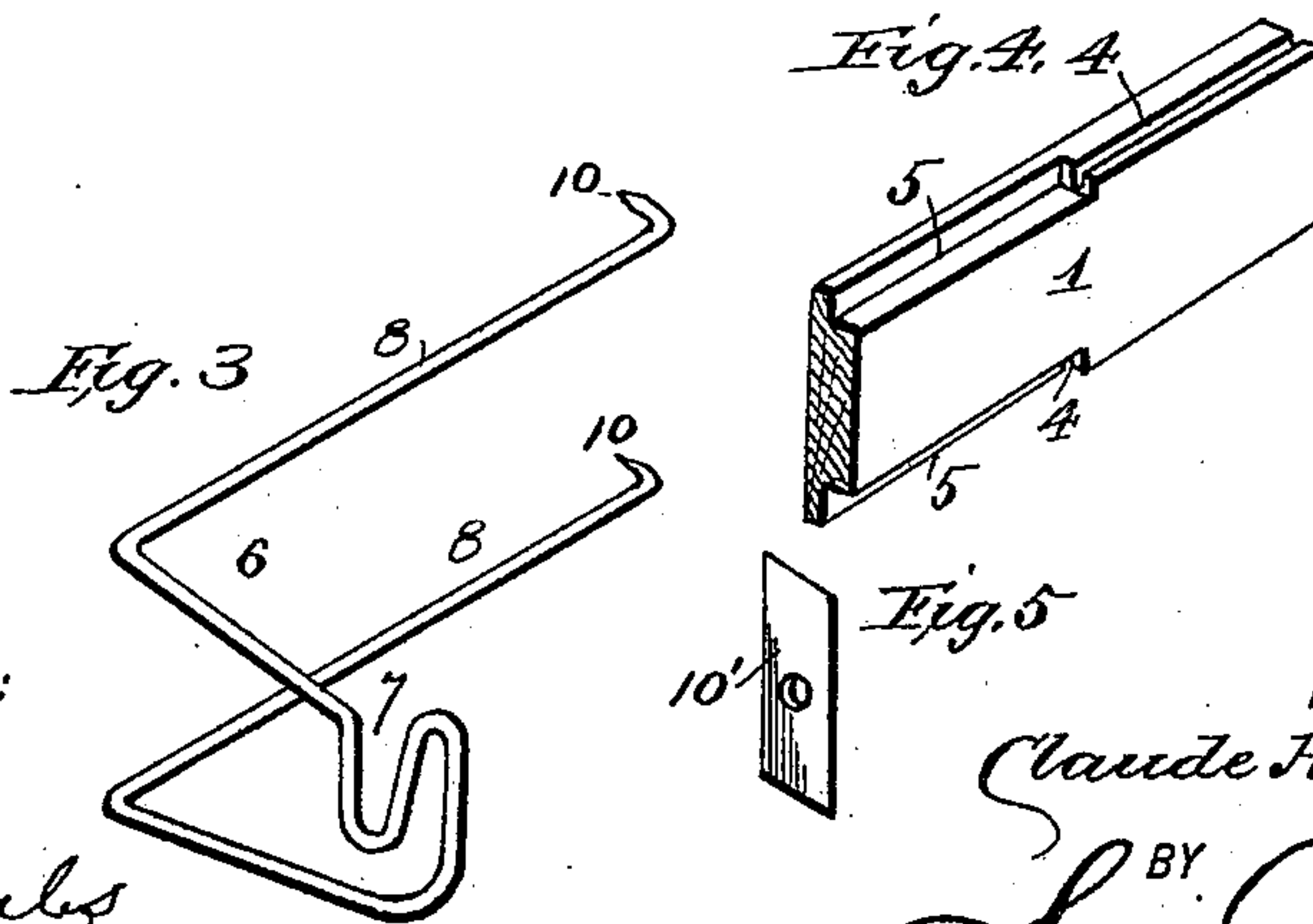
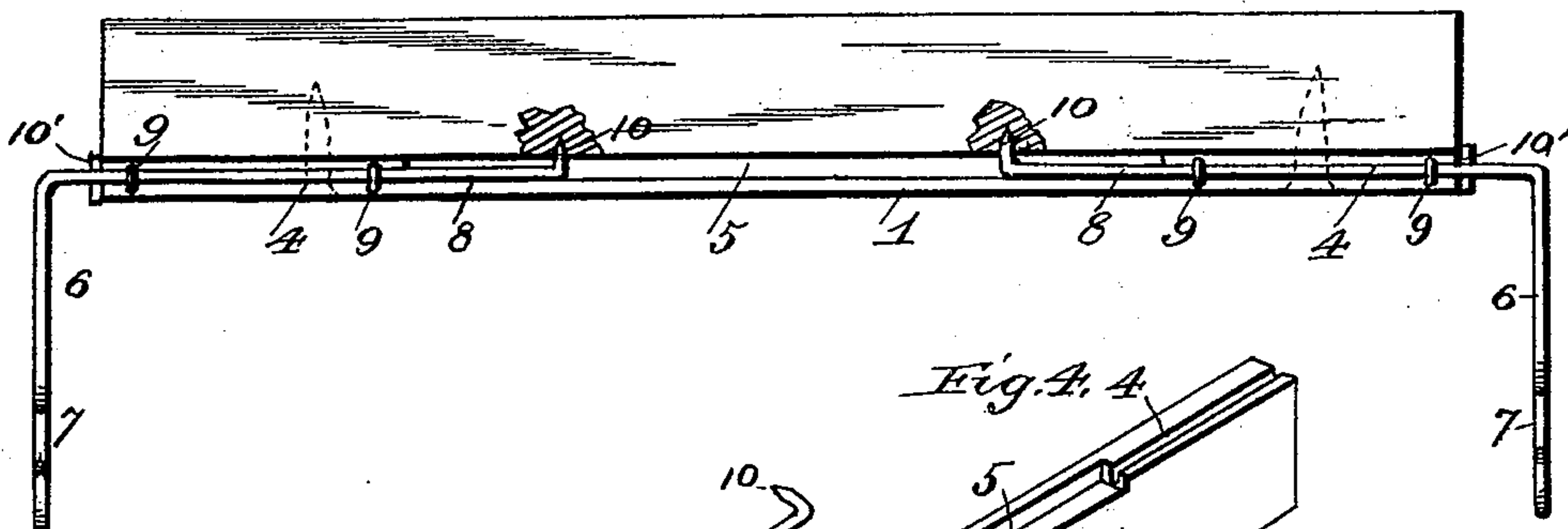
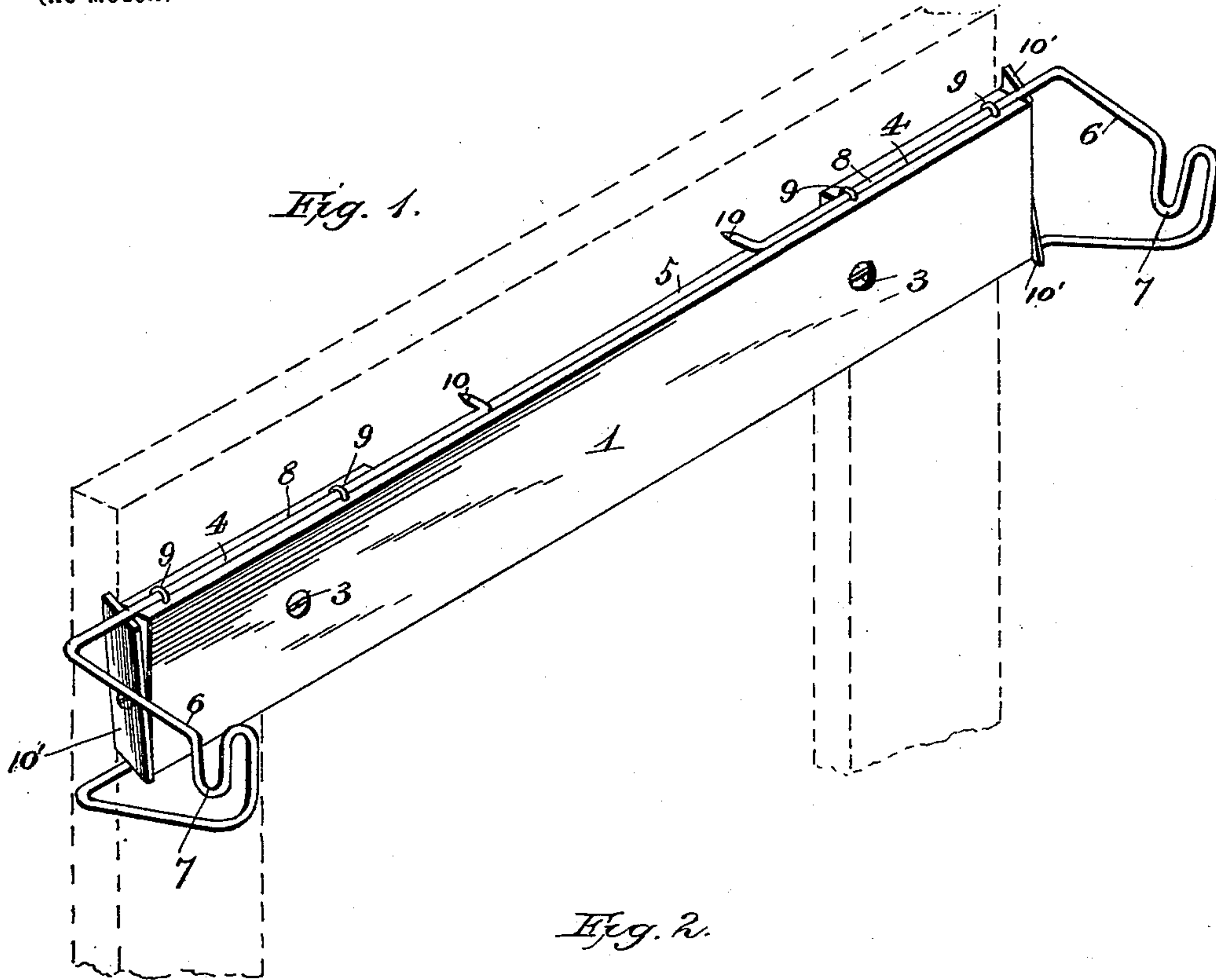
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## ADJUSTABLE SHADE-BRACKET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CLAUDE H. GASKINS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Shamokin, in the county of Northumberland and State of Pennsylvania, have invented new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Shade-Brackets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to adjustable curtain or shade brackets or hangers; and its object is to provide an improved construction of the same in which the end brackets carrying the curtain or shade rollers are extensible or adjustable, so as to accommodate them to rollers of varying lengths, means being provided for securely holding the said brackets in any position to which they may be adjusted.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a curtain or shade roller hanger or bracket constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same, also showing a portion of the top rail of a window-frame with which the pointed ends of the extensible or adjustable brackets engage. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of one of the hangers. Fig. 4 is a similar view showing a portion of the bar to which the hangers are secured. Fig. 5 is a similar view of one of the pivoted end plates.

In the said drawings the reference-numeral 1 designates a rectangular bar which is secured to the upper rail of a window-frame of any ordinary or suitable construction. The numeral 3 designates screws or other fastening devices by which the said bar is attached to said rail. Along the upper and lower edges of the said bar are formed longitudinal grooves 4, while in the rear sides said bar is formed with intersecting recesses 5.

The numeral 6 designates the extensible or adjustable brackets, each consisting of a single piece of wire bent to form bearings 7 for the journals of a curtain-roller (not shown) and having their ends extended inwardly, forming two parallel upper and lower arms 8, which seat in said grooves and are held in place by staples 9. The ends of these arms are pointed and bent rearwardly at right an-

gles, forming prongs 10, adapted to engage with the said upper rail of the window-frame. These arms are movable in said grooves, and the prongs work in the intersecting recesses 5 while the brackets are being adjusted.

In practice the brackets are adjusted so as to allow the journals of the curtain or shade roller to be engaged therewith, after which the bar is secured to the window-frame and the prongs 10 driven into the upper rail thereof. This will not only prevent the said brackets from accidentally working loose, but will serve to brace and strengthen the same, so that lighter wire may be employed in their construction than if the prongs were not employed. The brackets may be adjusted without disengaging the bar from the window-frame by simply loosening the prongs and sliding the brackets in or out, as the case may be, until they are at the proper distance apart to receive the curtain or shade roller.

For the purpose of securely holding the extensible brackets in their adjusted position before the bar is secured to the window-frame I provide each end of the curtain or shade roller with a pivoted plate 10', the ends of which are beveled, as shown. In practice when the said brackets are adjusted to receive the roller the said plates are turned so that the beveled ends will engage with the inner sides of the parallel arms of the brackets, so as to force the said arms tightly against the staples. This will effectually prevent any lateral movement of said brackets.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In an adjustable curtain or shade bracket or hanger, the combination with the rectangular bar formed with longitudinal grooves in the upper and lower edges and with an intersecting recess at the rear, of the extensible or adjustable brackets made from a single piece of wire bent to form bearings for the journals of the curtain or shade roller and two parallel arms seated in said grooves having the ends pointed and bent rearwardly at right angles and the staples for holding said arms in place, substantially as described.

2. In an adjustable curtain or shade bracket or hanger the combination with the rectangular bar formed with longitudinal grooves

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ples for holding said brackets in place, sub-  
stantially as described.

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