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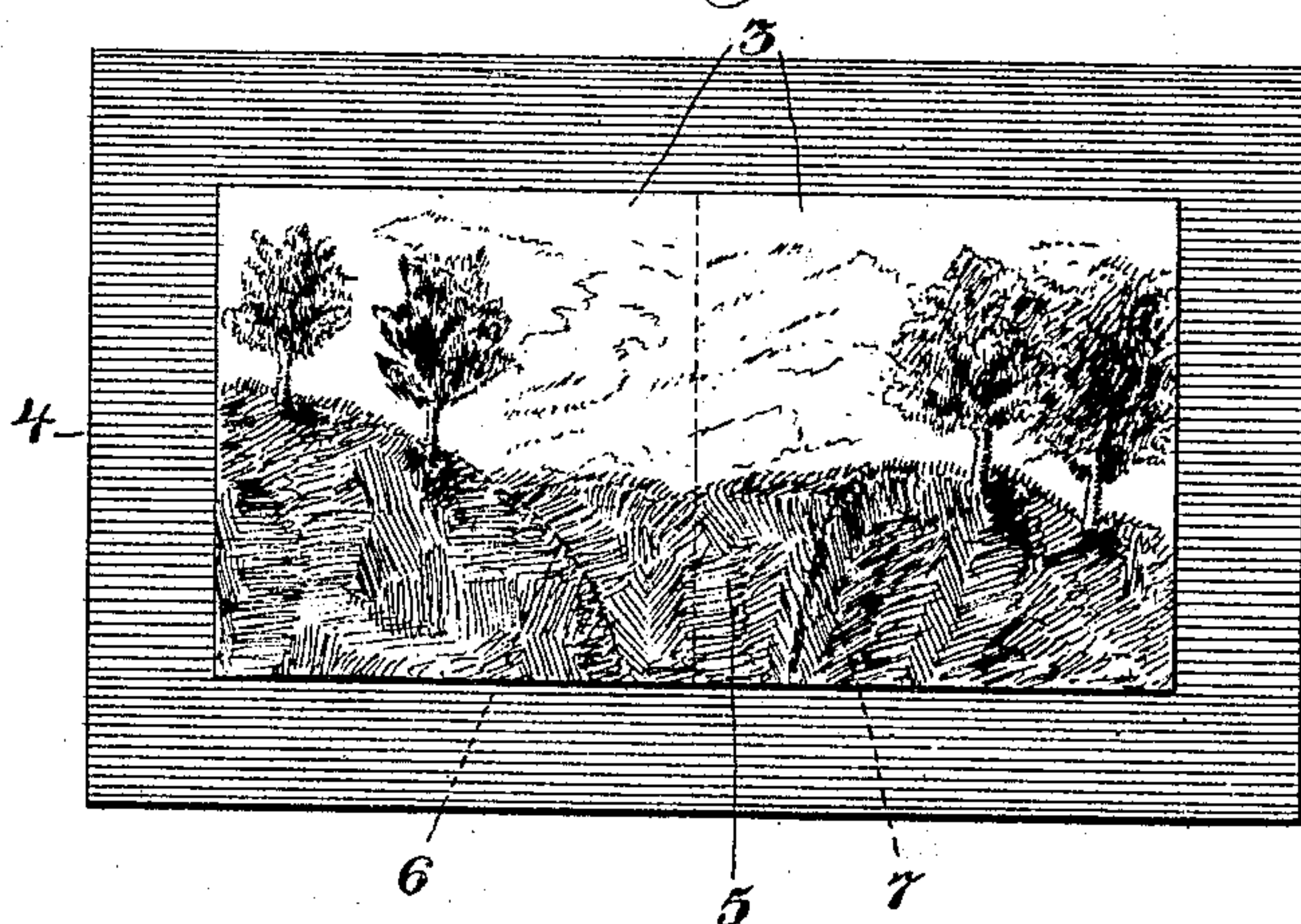
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN H. EGGERS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Summit, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, have invented a certain new and useful Method for Preparing Photographic Prints for Reproduction, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a method for preparing photographic prints for reproduction, particularly for forming prints for "thumb-books" for producing moving-picture effects—viz., books adapted to be held in the hand and the pages bearing the prints produced by reproduction released in quick succession, thereby producing an optical illusion, or, in other words, if, for example, a landscape be the subject, conveying the impresson that a continuous landscape is being viewed.

Heretofore the prints for forming thumb-books were produced by reproduction from the ordinary or unchanged photographic prints taken from a continuous photographic film, and as a consequence to prevent breaks in the landscape, if a landscape was the subject, the edges of the prints had to be trimmed before binding.

The object of my invention is therefore to provide a method for preparing photographic prints from which prints can be produced by reproduction which blend with one another, thereby allowing the reproduced prints to be cut apart at the points desired and obviating the necessity for trimming them before binding to form thumb-books.

A further object of my invention is to accomplish the above-mentioned object in the most simple, inexpensive, and effective manner consistent with the result to be attained.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents the photographic prints to be blended, and Fig. 2 represents the photographic prints blended and ready for reproduction.

In both the figures of the drawings illustrating my invention like reference characters designate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, 1 and 2, Fig. 1, designate the prints to be blended; 3, Fig. 2, the prints 1 and 2 brought together on a suitable mount 4 and blended by paint or other

substance 5 between the dotted lines 6 and 7 of the prints 1 and 2.

In carrying out my method I first, by means of a film-camera or a plate-camera, take negatives of the scenery or subject, make positive photographic prints therefrom, and make enlarged photographic prints from these prints by an enlarging-camera, if necessary. If the prints are made from a film-camera, I cut them apart, arrange the prints on a suitable mount, and finally, by means of ink or other suitable substance, blend the prints, thus completing my method.

After the steps just described the prints are ready for reproduction by any desired process—for instance, photo-engraving or photolithographing—and prints are then taken from the plates produced by the process of reproduction and cut apart and bound into thumb-books.

I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise details and arrangements of parts shown and described, but reserve the right to all modifications within the scope of my invention.

Having now described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A method for preparing photographic prints for reproduction, consisting in taking negatives of the subject, taking photographic prints therefrom and finally by means of a suitable substance blending the prints together.

2. A method for preparing photographic prints for reproduction, consisting in taking negatives of the subject, taking photographic prints therefrom, cutting the prints apart and arranging them on a suitable mount, and finally by means of a suitable substance blending the prints together.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1906.

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