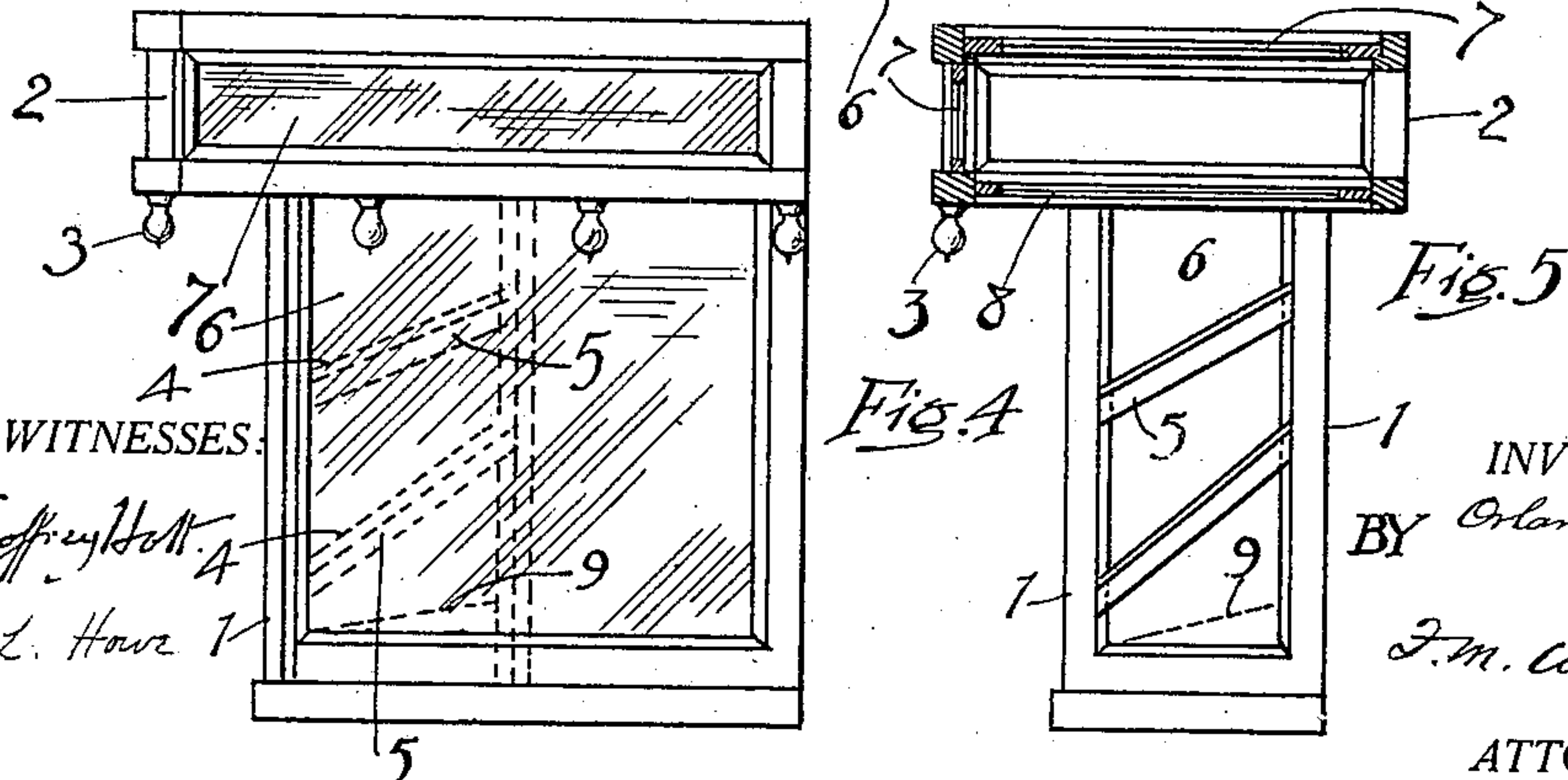
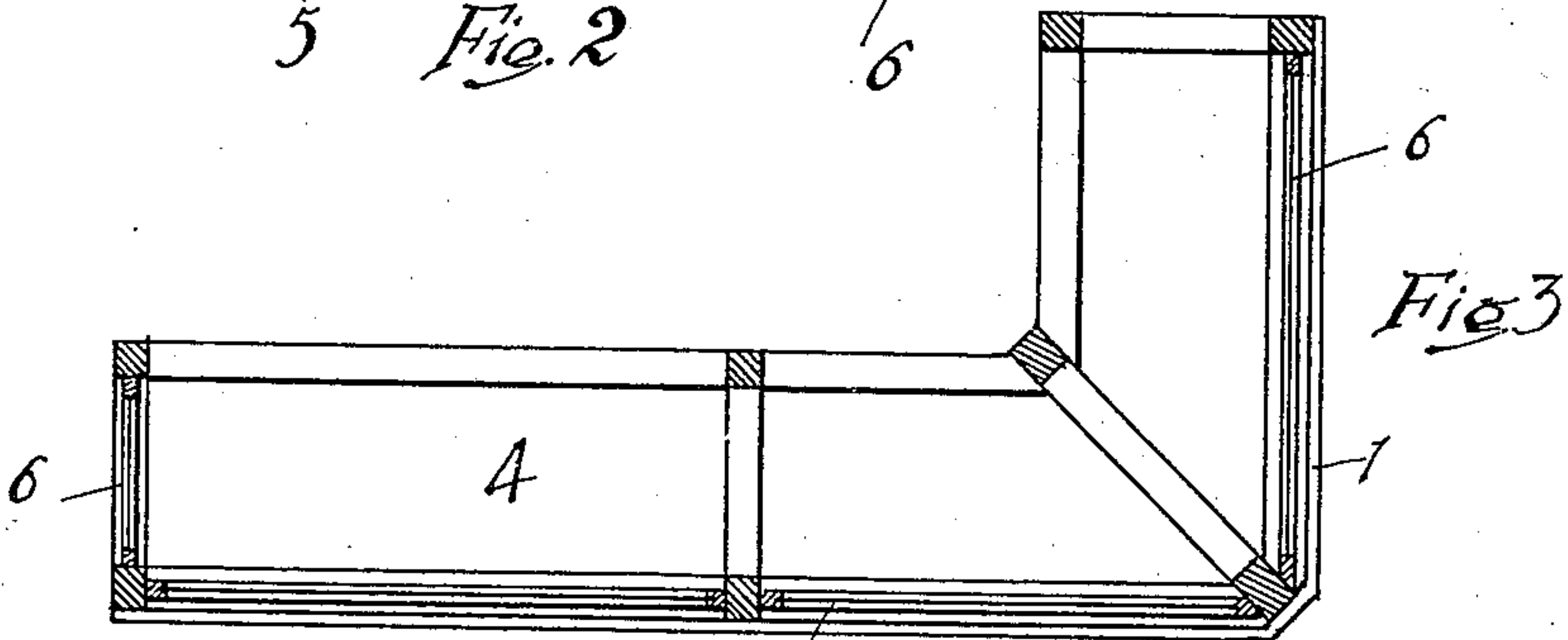
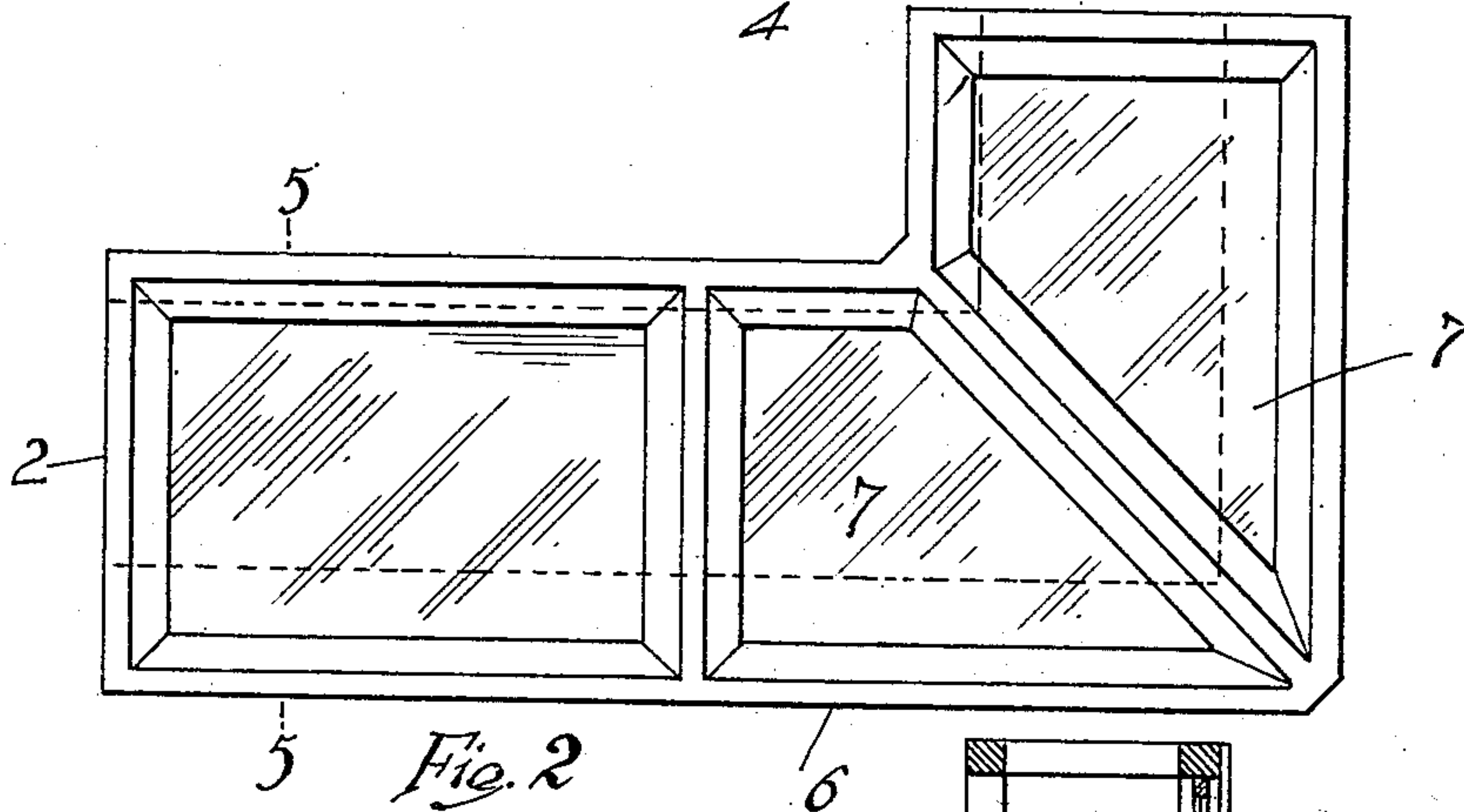
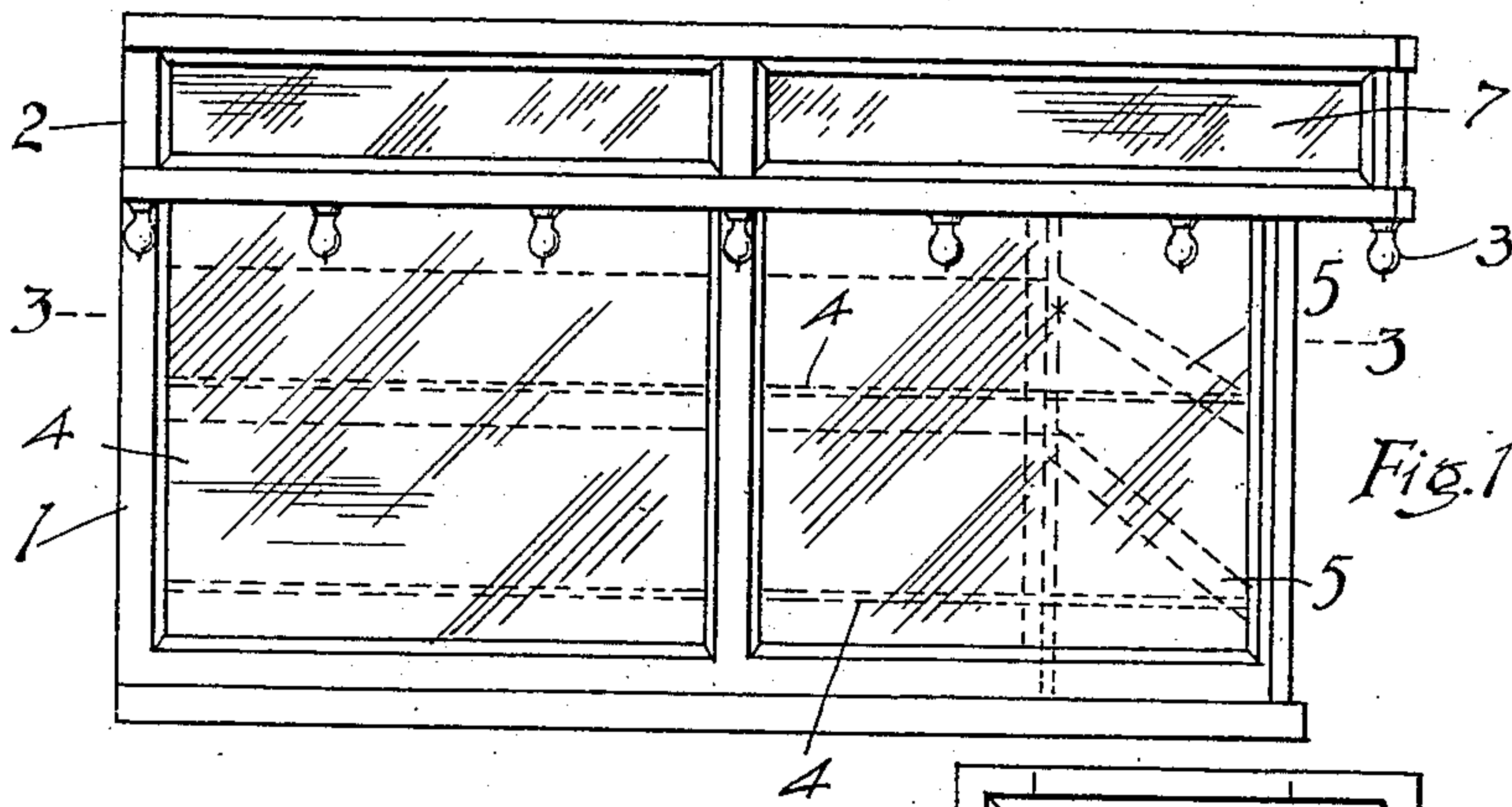


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ORLANDO E. PIERCE, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have  
5 invented new and useful Improvements in Show-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the present invention is to provide a show case so constructed and arranged as to display a large quantity of articles of merchandise to the best  
10 advantage.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a front view of the show case; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same; Fig. 3 is a horizontal section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a side view; Fig. 5 is a section of the line  
15 5—5 of Fig. 2.

On referring to the drawing, it will be seen that the show case is angular or L-shaped in general form, and comprises a narrow, tall lower section 1, and a wide, shallow upper section 2, resting upon the lower section  
20 and overhanging the same both at front and rear. The overhang at the front of the show case is considerably greater than at the rear, and attached beneath the front overhanging portion of the upper section are sockets 3 for electric lamps. Said lamps are hidden  
25 from the eye of the observer by said overhanging portion, but powerfully illuminate the lower section, so

that articles placed therein are prominently displayed. In order to present such articles as conspicuously as possible, they are placed upon shelves 4 which slope upwards to the rear, these shelves being supported at  
30 their ends by sloping ledges 5. The bottom 9 of the lower section is also sloping. The sides 6 of the lower section are of glass and so also are the sides, and top 7 of the upper section. The bottom 8 of the upper section is also made of glass, which permits the ar-  
35 ticles in the lower section of the case to be viewed through said top, as well as from the front. By means of this construction a large quantity of merchandise can be displayed to great advantage in a comparatively small show case.  
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I claim:—

A show case comprising a lower section having glass sides, an upper section having a glass top, and sides, and a glass bottom, and overhanging the lower section at the front, sockets for incandescent lamps secured beneath the  
45 overhanging portion of the upper section, and sloping shelves in the lower section, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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