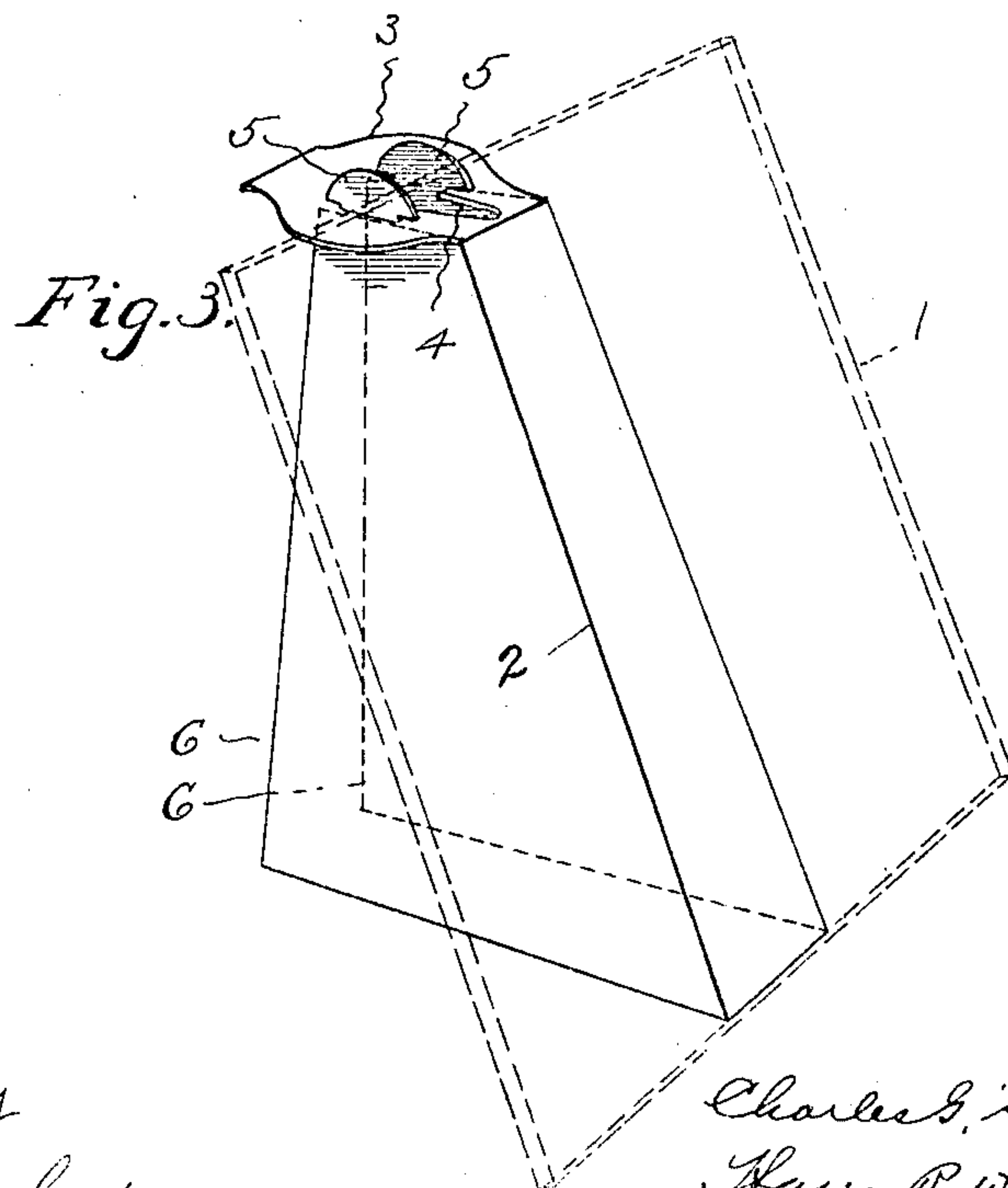
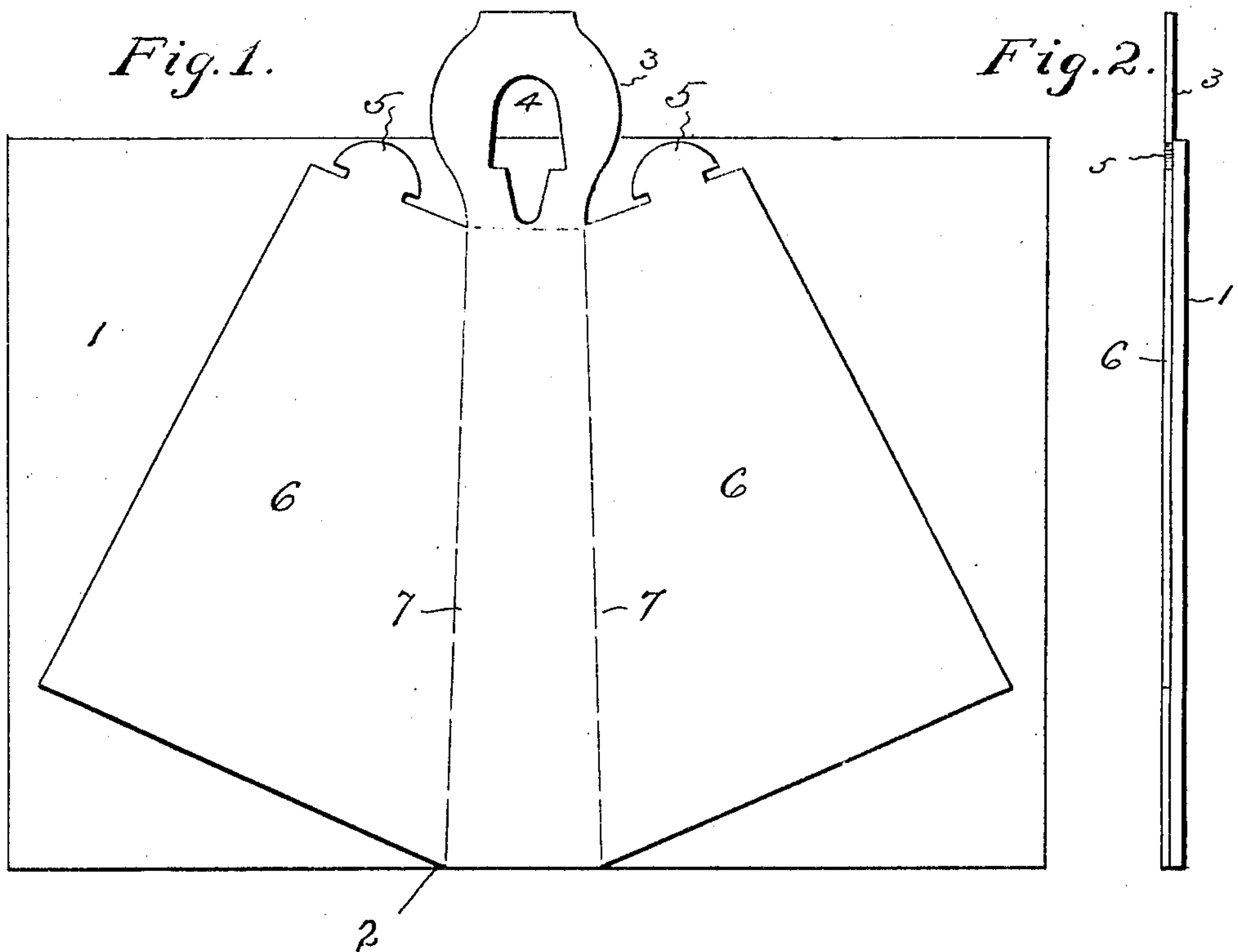


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES G. TAYLOR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Hartford, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Easel and Hanger, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a device which is particularly designed for supporting display cards, that is, cards to which merchandise is fastened for the purpose of exhibiting it, although the embodiment of the invention is usable for other purposes, such as advertising cards, photographs, calendars, etc.

The object of the invention is to provide a very simple and cheap device which can be easily attached to the back of a card in such manner that it may be laid flat for the purposes of packing and transporting, and by means of which the card to which it is attached may be, as desired, hung upon a wall or other upright part, or the device may be unfolded from its flat position against the back of the card and locked in such manner as to produce a rigid easel which will support the card in the desired position on a counter or in a showcase.

Figure 1 of the accompanying drawings shows the back of a card provided with a support which embodies this invention. Fig. 2 shows an edge elevation of the same with the support flat against the back so as to permit the card to be readily hung against a wall or other upright part. Fig. 3 shows a perspective view of the support folded and locked into such shape as to provide an easel, the card being indicated in dotted outline.

The card 1 to which this support is designed to be attached may be made of paper, leather, wood, celluloid or other material, or combination of materials, and may be any size and shape suitable for the attachment and display of the merchandise which is to be fastened thereto, or for advertising or other purposes.

The support 2 is shown as formed from a single piece of material preferably paper, although it may be formed from sheets of other material fastened together. This support is preferably stamped or blanked from a flat sheet of paper of suitable stiffness with a

tab 3, having a loop 4 by means of which the device may be hung upon a nail, hook or other support, and with tongues 5 projecting from the oblique upper edges of the blank.

When the wings 6 are folded outwardly on the lines 7, that may be scored when the blank is formed, the tongues will extend upwardly in such positions that the tab may be bent down and hooked under them, the tongues passing through the loop in such manner that their undercut edges engage with the edges of the tab about the loop. This holds the tab down and locks the wings parallel with each other as shown in Fig. 3. The lower edges of the wings of the blank are so obliquely cut that when the wings are folded back and locked and the device is used as an easel the front face will incline the correct amount to give the card attached thereto the desired inclination.

The support may be fastened to the card by pasting, gluing, riveting, eyeletting or otherwise fastening the strip between the scoring to the back of the card, leaving the wings free to be laid against the back of the card or to be bent out and locked by the tab so as to form the easel.

When the wings are laid flat against the back the card may be hung up against any flat surface on a nail, hook or other support. When the wings are in this position the card is thin and flat and can be packed into a small space. If it is desired to show the goods attached to the card in a case or on a counter the wings are opened and the hanging tab bent down so as to engage and lock the tongues and loop and prevent the wings from folding back against the card.

This device is very useful and it is cheap to make, and when the wings are folded out and locked the device forms a stiff non-collapsible support with a wide base for cards to which articles of some weight may be attached.

The invention claimed is:

1. A card support formed from a single piece of material having folding wings, tongues extending therefrom and a tab with a loop, by means of which the device may be hung or by means of which the tongues may be engaged for holding the wings when folded out, substantially as specified.

2. A card having a body for the attach-



ment of the matter to be displayed, and a support attached to the body said support having wings which normally lie against the back of the body but which may be bent out  
5 at an angle thereto, and a loop which may be used for hanging the card when the wings are flat and may be used for locking the wings

when they are folded out, substantially as specified.

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