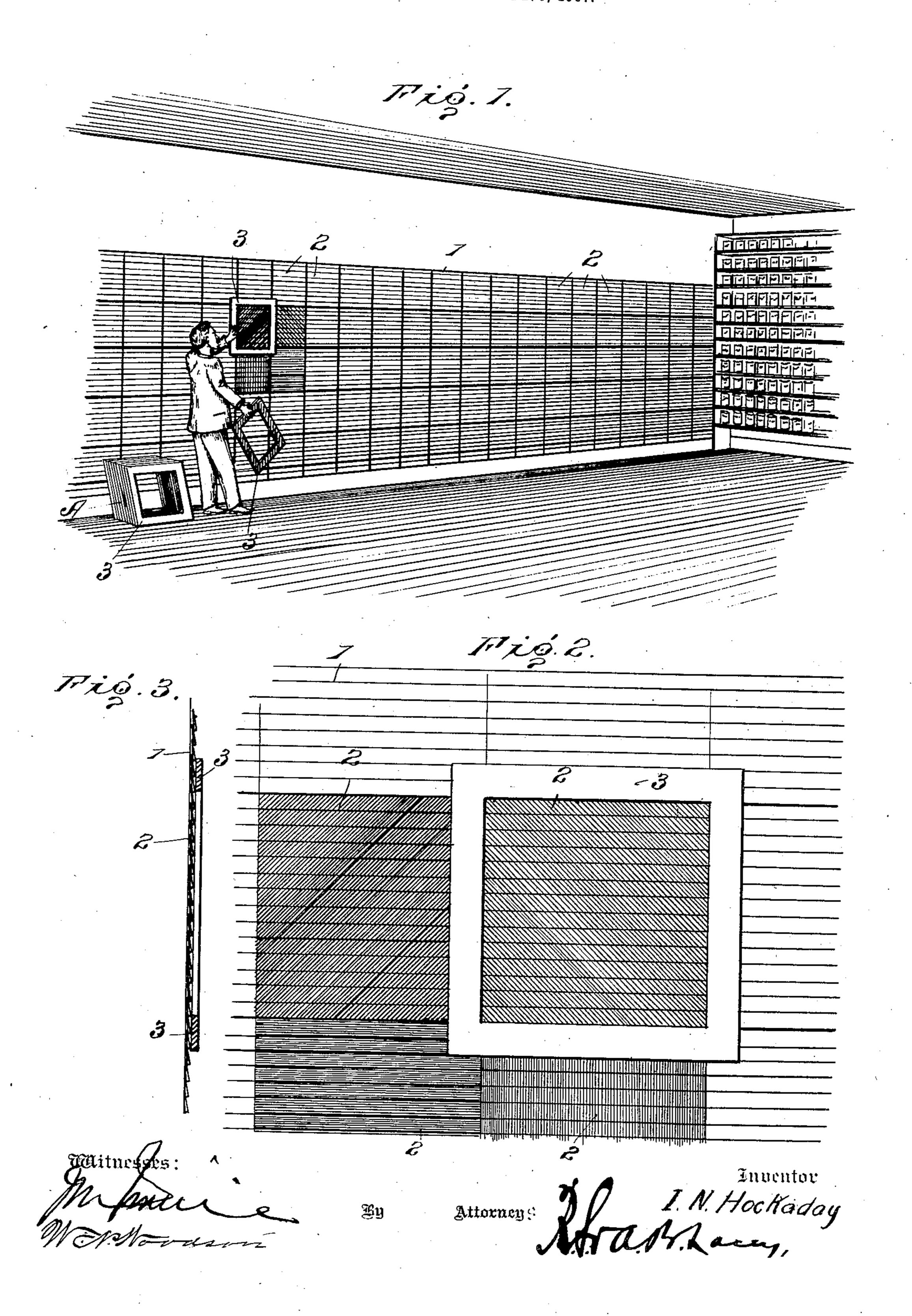
## I. N. HOCKADAY. PAINT AND COLOR EXHIBITING DEVICE. APPLICATION FILED SEPT. 3, 1907.



## NITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

ISAAC N. HOCKADAY, OF WICHITA, KANSAS.

## PAINT AND COLOR EXHIBITING DEVICE.

No. 886,057.

Specification of Letters Patent.

Patented April 28, 1908.

Application filed September 3, 1907. Serial No. 391,121.

To all whom it may concern:

citizen of the United States, residing at of a portion of the showboard on a larger Wichita, in the county of Sedgwick and State 5 of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paint and Color Exhibiting Devices, of which the following is a

specification.

It is common knowledge that builders and 10 other purchasers of paint for the body and trimmings of residences and other buildings ordinarily experience serious difficulty in the selection of colors to produce a combination of pleasing appearance, as it has heretofore 15 been the practice to select the different colors merely from sample books or sample racks of differently-colored strips or boards of the size of the usual lath or section thereof, and without any adequate facilities for determin-20 ing how the contrasting shade or colors will appear when applied over any appreciable portion of a building. Hence serious dissatisfaction and disappointment have often arisen.

25 My invention aims to overcome this difficulty by providing the necessary facilities for enabling the purchaser of paint to determine how the different colors and combinations thereof will appear when applied re-30 spectively to the building and to the frieze, base, corner boards, window and door frames,

and other trimmings thereof.

More specifically speaking, my invention has for its object a show room or store room 35 for paints, said room containing preferably along one or more walls, strips of weatherboarding simulating the side of a house, said weatherboarding being laid off in sections preferably square, the respective sections 40 being coated with paints of different colors or shades thereof; and in connection with said sections, a plurality, or series of trimming sample members, preferably in the form of square frames, corresponding in opening to 45 the size of the said weatherboarding sections and displaying, respectively, different colors or shades suitable for the trimmings of the house, whereby the salesman or purchaser may apply the said frames to the different 50 squares or sections and secure a satisfactory impression of the proper color scheme.

For a full understanding of the invention, reference is to be had to the accompanying

drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 represents the interior of a storeroom or showroom of a paint store and illus-

trates the manner in which my invention is Be it known that I, Isaac N. Hockaday, | commercially practiced; Fig. 2 is a face view scale, indicating a plurality of weatherboard- 60 ing display sections of respectively different colors, with a trimming sample member or frame applied to one section thereof; and, Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view thereof.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to 65 throughout the specification by like reference

characters.

The show-board 1 of my invention may be supported in any desired manner, but for the purposes of illustration, I have shown the 70 same as laid against one side wall of the showroom or storeroom of a store in which paints are displayed, and sold, or other place of exhibit. The said show-board 1 is constructed of weatherboarding laid in the usual 75 way to represent the side of a dwelling house or other building, and is laid off in sections 2 that are preferably square as shown, said sections being respectively coated with or otherwise displaying paints of different colors or 80 shades, and being of sufficient size to adequately indicate how the pigments of different colors will appear when applied.

In connection with the show-board 1, my invention comprehends a plurality of trim- 85 ming sample members 3 that are preferably in the form of square frames of a size to circumscribe any one of the sections 2, the said frames respectively being painted with or otherwise displaying the different trimming 90 colors used on the frieze, base or corner boards, and window or door frames. In practice, these frames 3 are applied by the salesman or customer to the different sections of the show-board, and by this means 95 the purchaser is materially assisted in making a judicious choice of paints for the body of a house and their properly contrasting colors for the trimmings so as to produce a harmonious combination.

Attention may be directed to the fact that when one of the frames 3 is applied to a section 2 of the show-board, the said section is caused to show through the frame independently of the remaining sections and an ex- 105 cellent idea of the color combination thereby obtained. It will thus be apparent that owing to the use of the frames 3 the variously colored sections 2 of the show-board are prevented from being confused with each other 110 in practice, and the said sections can be

placed closely together upon the show-board

so as to economize space and enable a comparatively large range of color combinations

to be obtained.

While I have hereinbefore described my invention in connection with paints, it is to be understood that it is equally applicable for use in exhibiting colors of plaster, paper, wood in fact in any connection where a color combination may be displayed.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new and desired to secure by

Letters Patent, is:—

The herein-described color exhibiting device comprising a show-board formed of weather boarding and provided with a continuous surface subdivided into a plurality of contiguous rectangular sections, each of

which displays a different color, and a set of rectangular trimming sample frames displaying different colors and adapted to be 20 employed independently of each other, each of the said frames being of a size to circumscribe any selected one of the sections so that the said section will be displayed through the frame independently of the remaining 25 sections and the color of the said section shown in combination with the color of the frame.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

ISAAC N. HOCKADAY.

Witnesses:
J. E. Dick,
MABEL CRANE.