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Fig. 1.

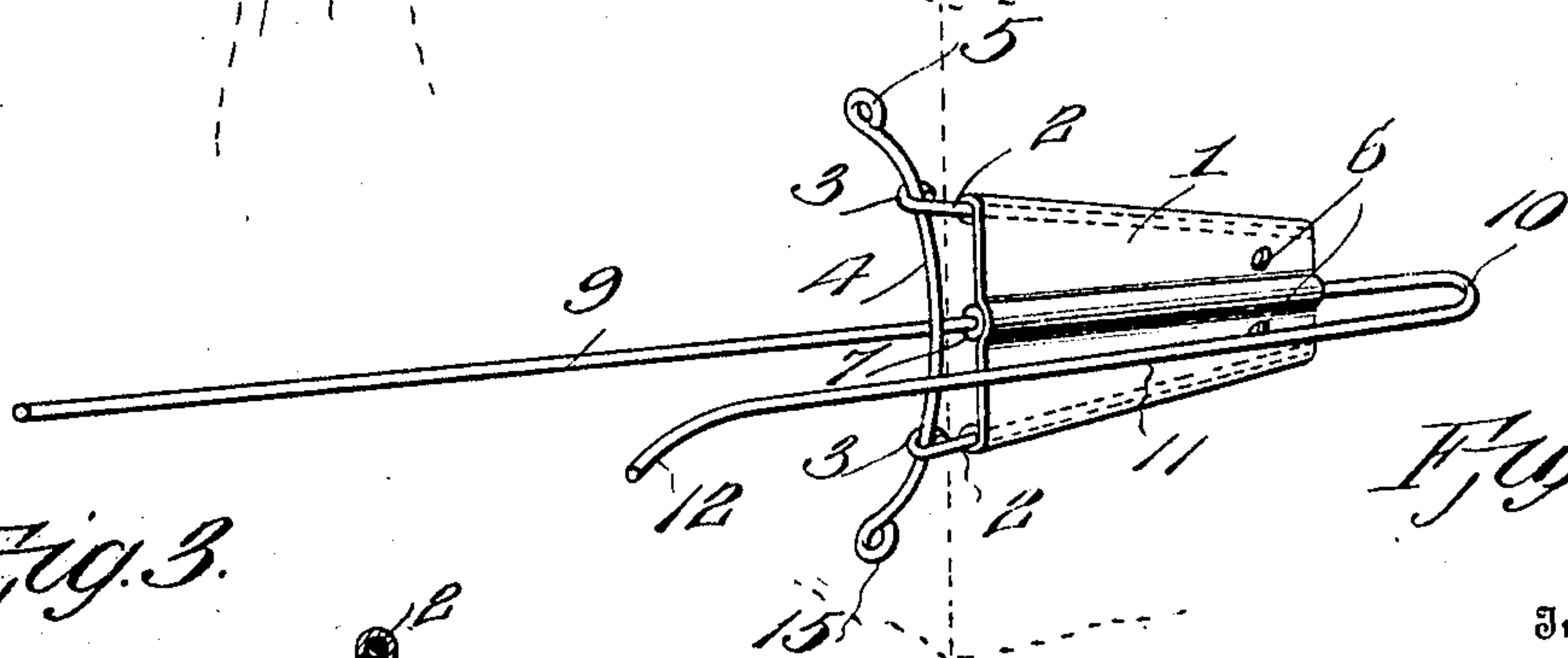
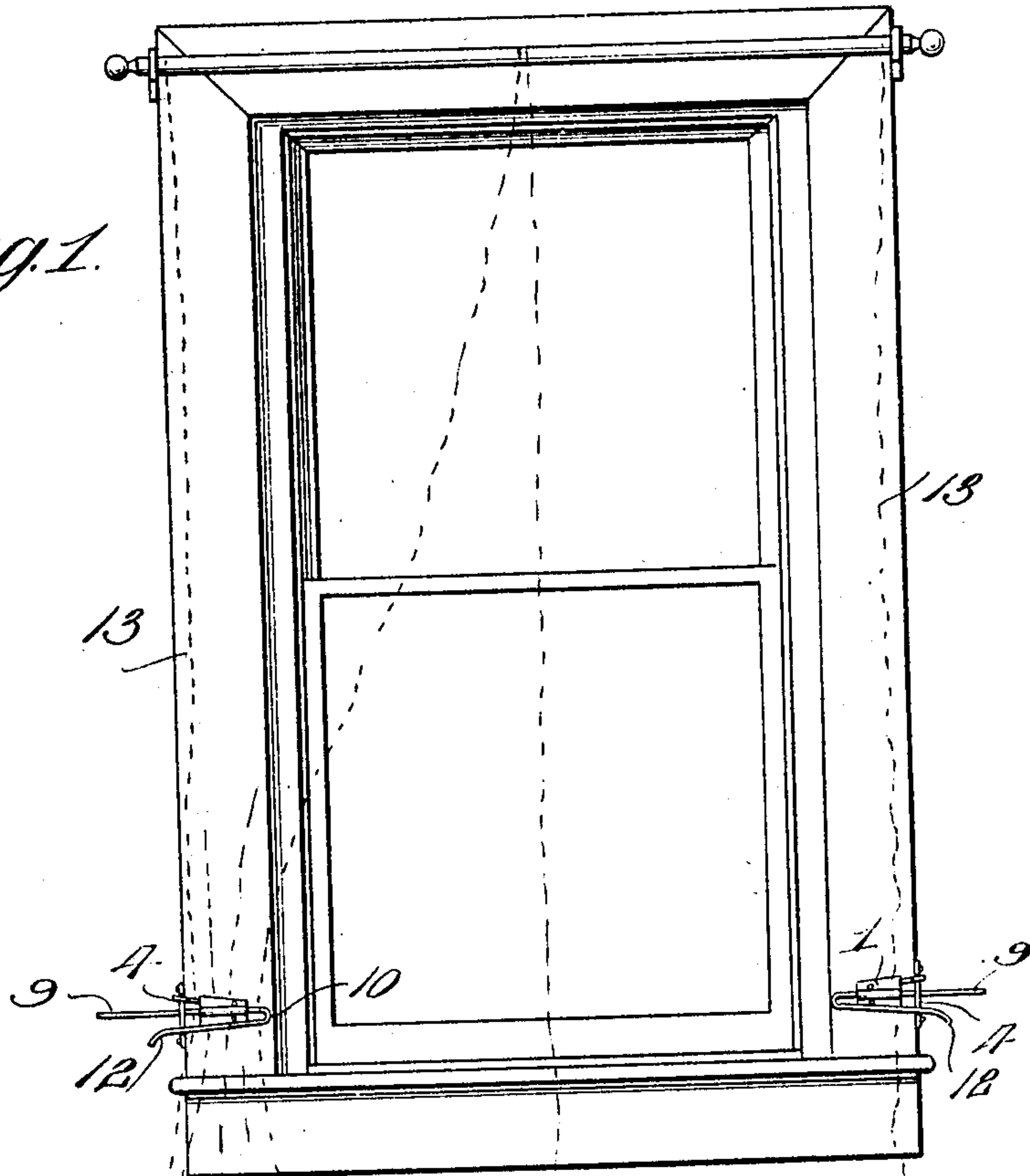
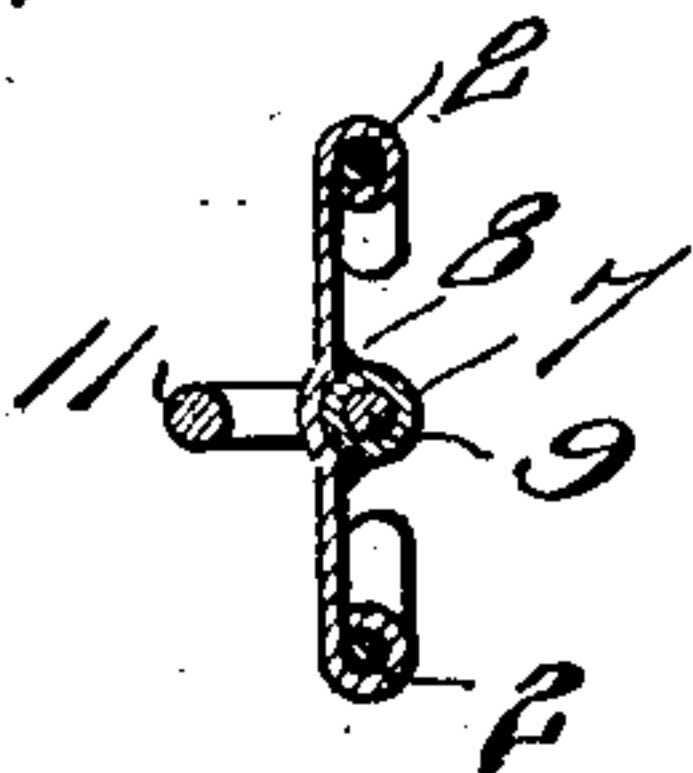


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. KEYES, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Carmel, in the county of Penobscot and State of Maine, have invented new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to curtain holders designed more particularly for use in holding lace curtains at the side of a window, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide a simple adjustable holding device which can be quickly secured to a window frame and quickly adjusted to hold the curtain at one side of the window frame or to permit it to hang nearly to the center thereof.

Another object is to provide a simple lace curtain holder which may be made partially of wire and which can be adjusted in and out readily to hold the curtain in required position.

These and other objects may be attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a window showing a pair of lace curtains in dotted lines thereon and a pair of curtain holders made in accordance with my invention secured to the window frame and holding one of the sides of the lace curtain aside at the bottom. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the holders detached from the window frame. Fig. 3 is a transverse section showing the manner of securing the adjustable holding member in place on the base plate.

Referring to the drawing for a more specific description of my invention, the numeral 1 designates a sheet metal base plate which tapers from one end toward the other, and at the side edges of the base plate brace wires 2 are connected to said plate by curling the metal around said braces. The ends of said braces are bent into the form of eyes 3 to engage the fastening bail 4 which is also provided with eyes 5 to receive suitable fastenings for holding the device in place near the lower side of a window frame. The base plate 1 is also provided with apertures 6

through which fasteners are driven to assist in holding the frame firmly in place. A tubular keeper 7 is secured under the base plate 1 by solder 8, or otherwise. The adjustable curtain holder consists of a plain length of wire 9 passed through the tubular keeper 7 and adjustably held therein by means of friction, said holder being bent upon itself at 10 and formed into a resilient member 11 which terminates in an outwardly curved end 12.

When the holders have been secured to the window frame the curtain 13 may be gathered at a point near the bottom and placed between the resilient member 11 and the base plate 1, and if desired the holder 9 can be pushed inward toward the center of the window or outward, as desired. When it is desired to have the curtains hang in front of the window without gathering the lower portion thereof, they may be readily detached from the holders.

My invention is of simple construction, can be manufactured at slight cost, can be quickly applied and has been found very efficient and desirable for its purpose.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:—

A curtain holder comprising brace wires, a base plate the edges of which are bent around said brace wires, a fastening bail, the ends of said brace wires being connected to said fastening bail, a tubular keeper secured to said base plate, a sliding member comprising a strand of wire mounted in said tubular keeper, said sliding member having an outwardly curved end to hold the curtain, and said member being adjustable in said tubular keeper.

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

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