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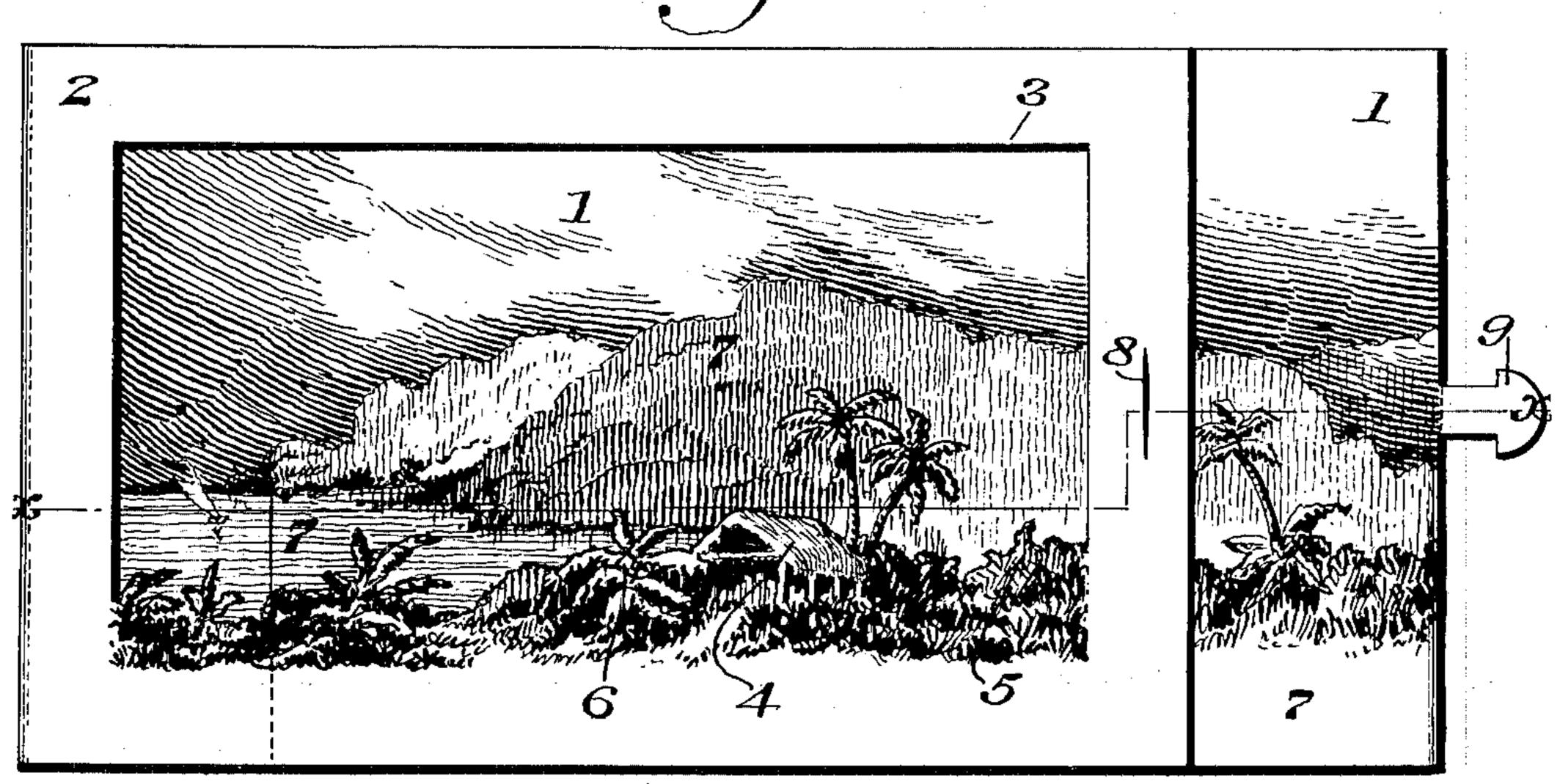
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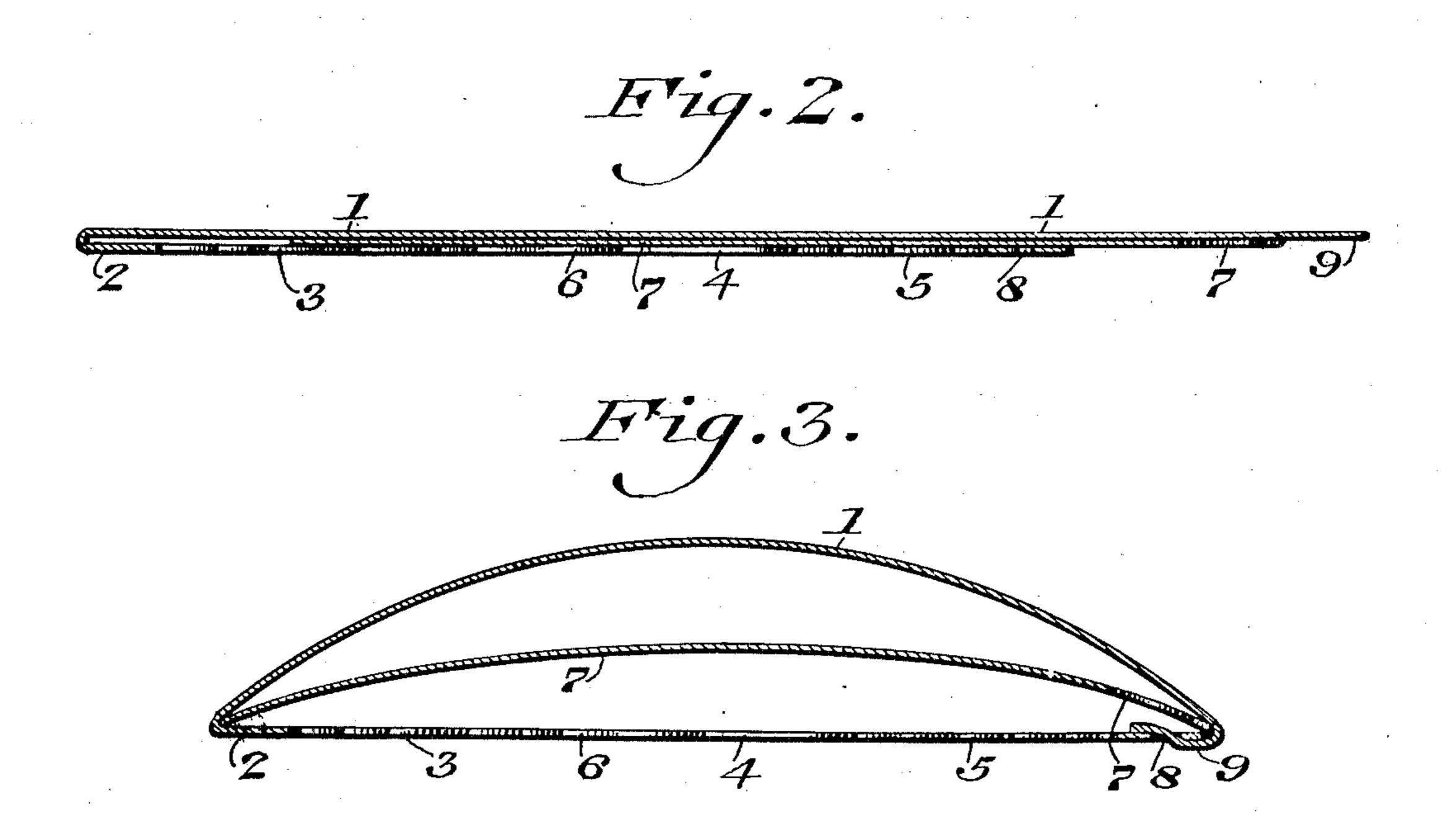
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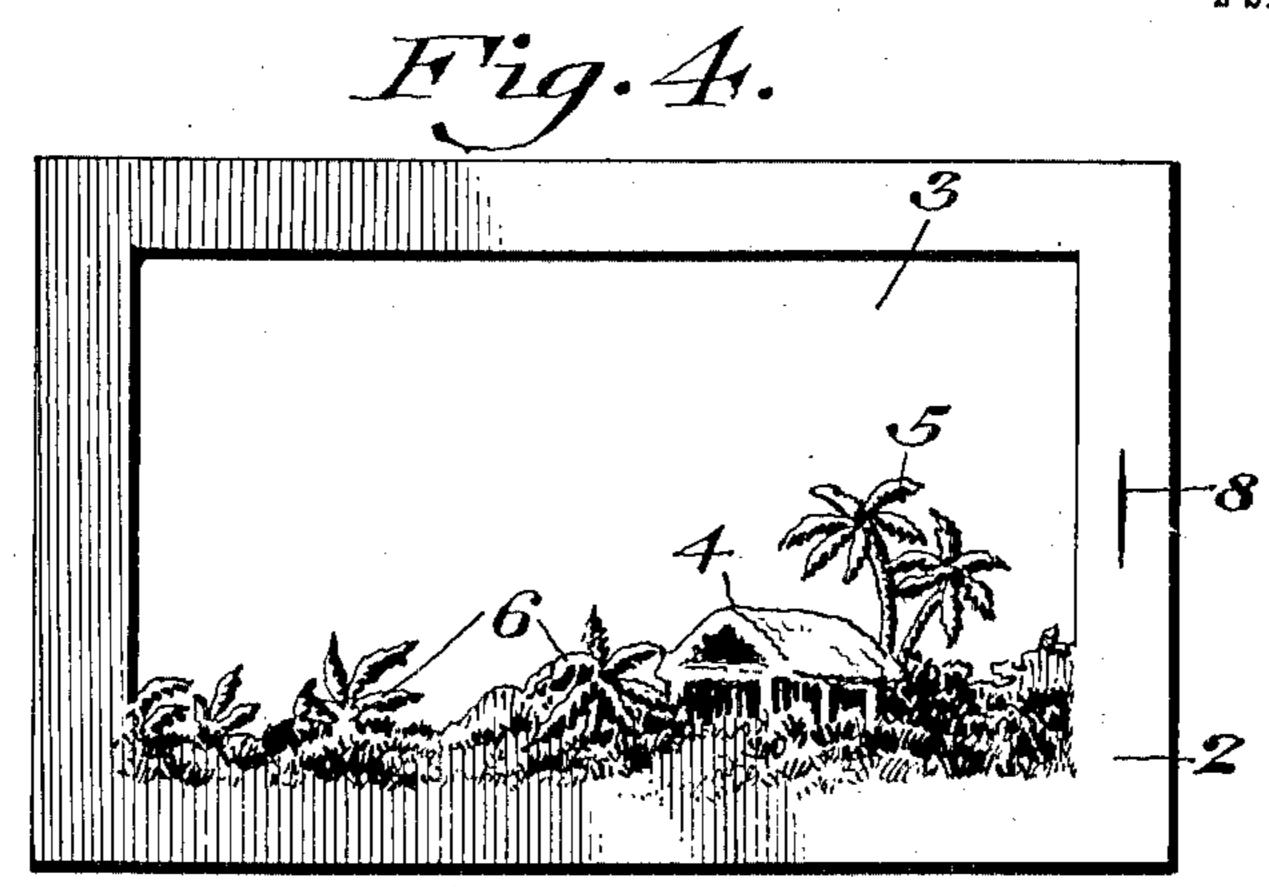
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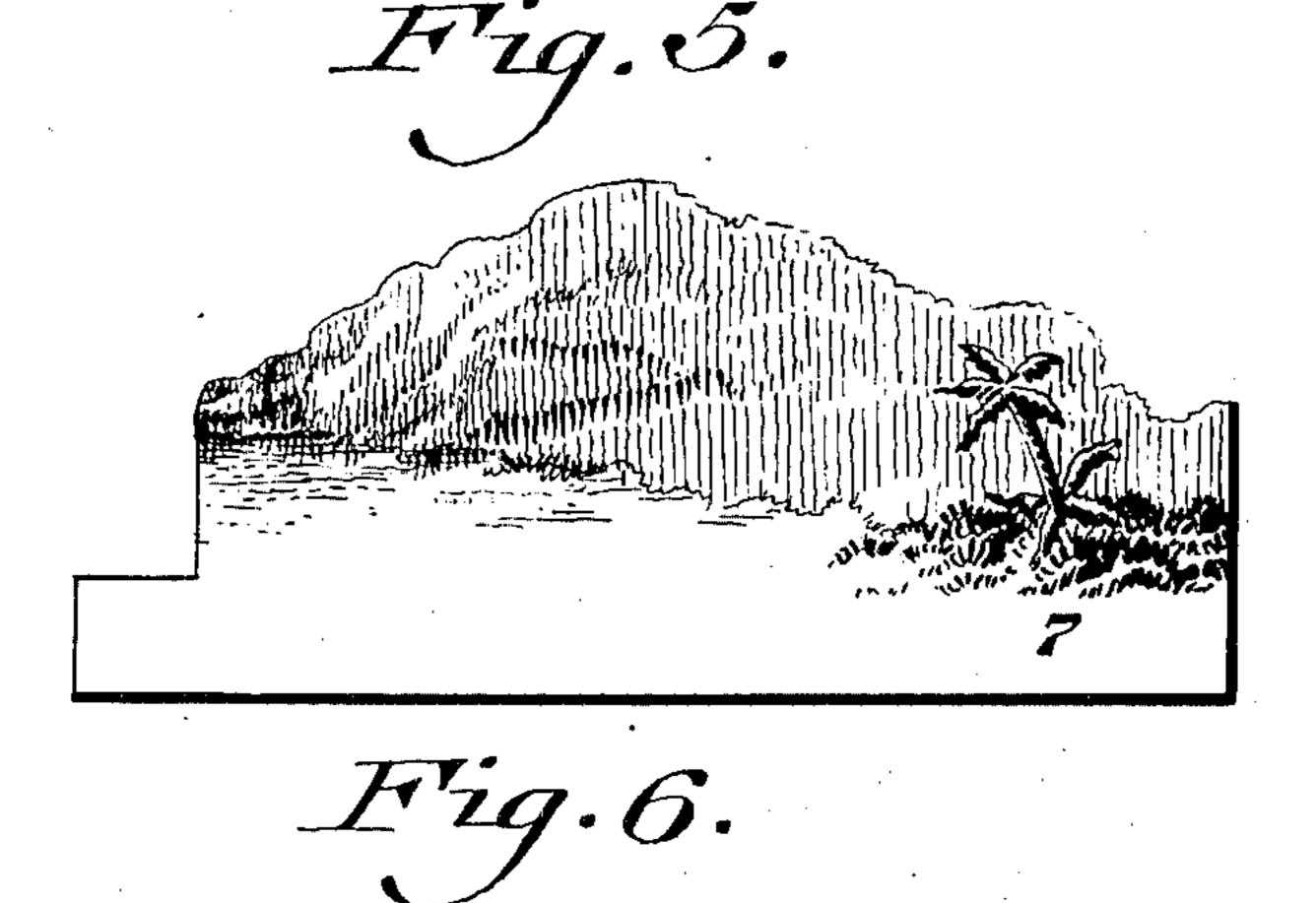
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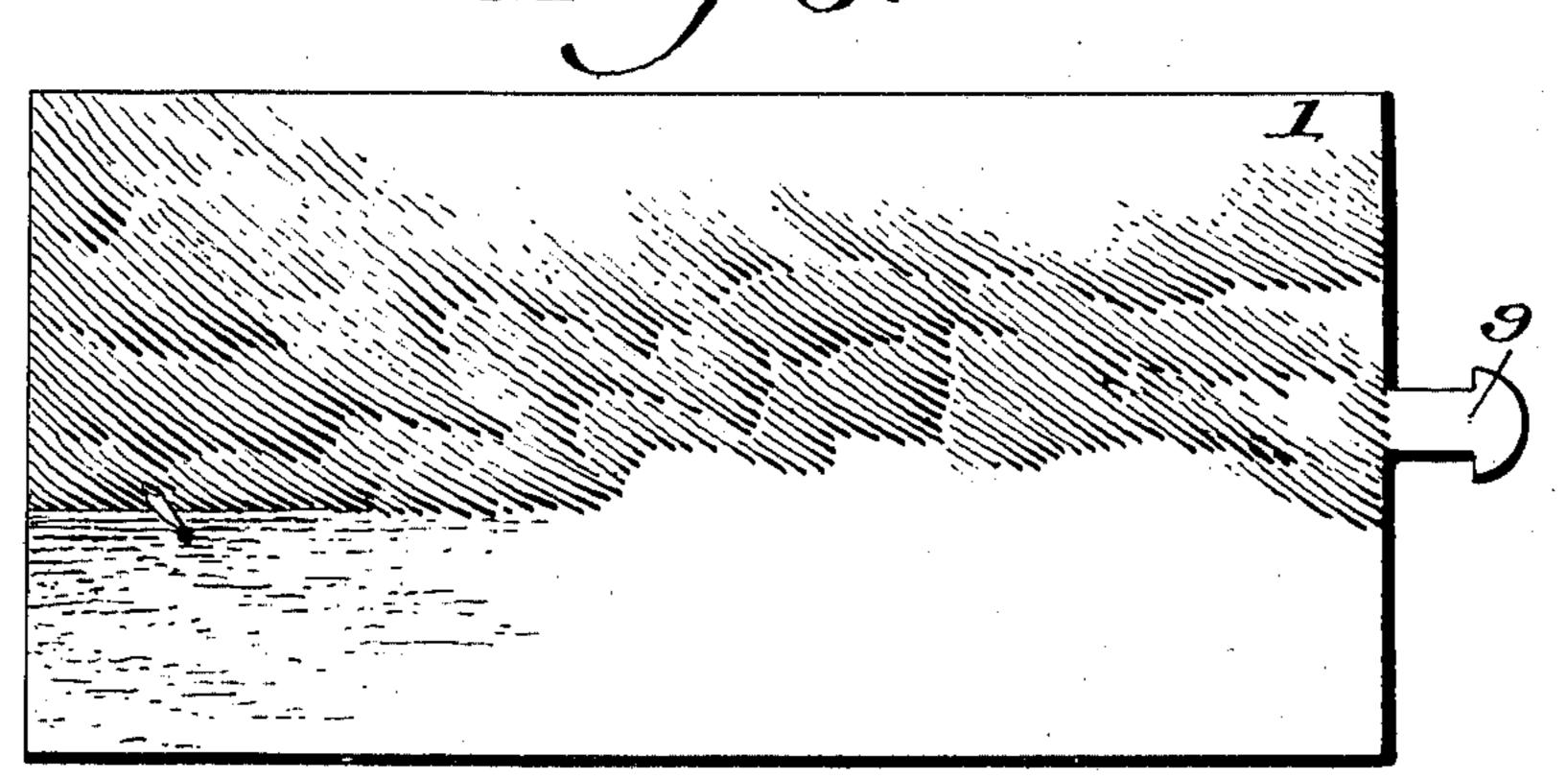
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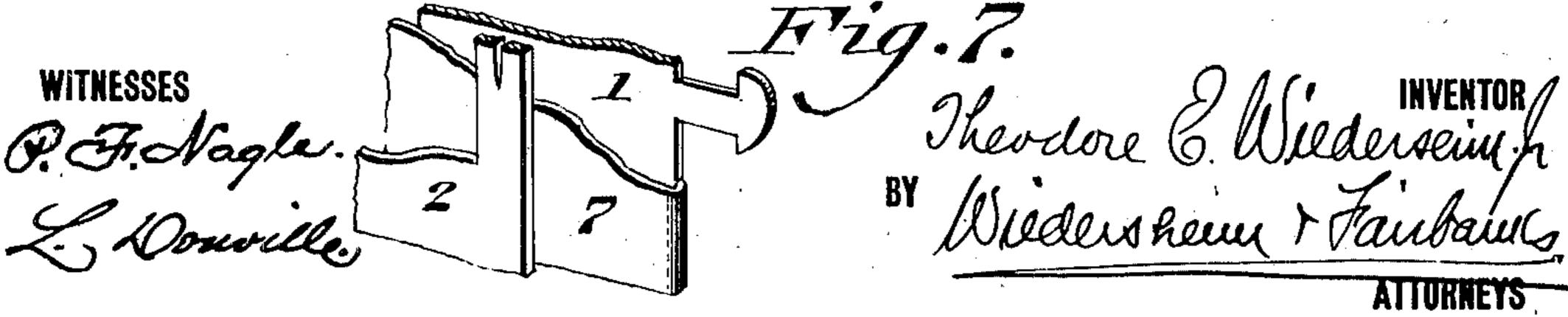
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## DISPLAY-CARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE E. WIEDER-SEIM, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadel-5 phia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Display-Card, of which the

following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and useful display card wherein I provide a plurality 10 of leaves or sections having representations thereon said leaves or sections being so arranged with respect to each other that, when properly manipulated, they are caused to assume such positions with respect to each 15 other that the said representations appear in relief or perspective and in proper relative positions.

It further consists of leaves or sections of differential lengths whereby the representa-10 tions thereon will appear as if in relief or perspective when the said leaves are prop-

erly manipulated.

It further consists of means for holding the leaves or sections after the same have 5 been placed in operative position.

It further consists of other novel features of construction, all as will be hereinafter

fully set forth.

Figure 1 represents a front elevation of a o display card embodying my invention in flat position. Fig. 2 represents a sectional view on line x—x Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents a sectional view of the parts in operative position and showing the same locked. Figs. 4, 5 5 and 6 represent front elevations of the leaves in separated position. Fig. 7 represents a perspective view of a portion of the card showing the connection between the back sheet 1 and the intermediate sheet 7.

Similar numerals of reference indicate

corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, my invention relates to display cards having a plurality of leaves on which I place, in any suitable 5 manner, either by locating the same directly upon the sections, or attaching the same thereto, various ornamentations, representations of scenes or representations of people, animals etc., in suitable relation with respect 0 to each other, so that when the sections are manipulated to place the leaves in different vertical planes the ornamentations or representations thereon, or carried thereby, will also be situated in different vertical

planes and present, from the front, a scene 55 or view as if in relief or perspective.

In the drawings, I have shown an embodiment of my invention which I have found in practice will operate successfully but I desire it understood that changes may be made 60 therein, the arrangement of the parts may be varied and other instrumentalities may be employed which will come within the scope of my invention and I do not therefore desire to be limited in every instance 65 to the exact form as herein shown and described but desire to make such changes as may be necessary.

I desire it further understood that the display card may be used for any purpose 70 such as an amusement device, advertising device, etc., and that the scenes thereon may be varied or changed, as may be desirable, and so arranged on the leaves or sections that when the same are caused to assume 75 their operative position, that the representations are in suitable relation to each other.

1 designates the rear leaf or support of the display card and upon the front face thereof, I provide the back-ground of a 80 scene, it being understood that this background may be placed directly upon the leaf or may be secured thereto in any suitable manner.

2 designates the front leaf or section 85 which, in the present instance, is formed integral with the back leaf or section 1, and is bent forwardly thereon but said front leaf 2 may be attached, if desired, in any suitable manner, to the said section 1. In the pres- 90 ent instance the front leaf or section 2 is in the form of a frame having the opening 3 therein of suitable size and extent in order to permit the viewing of the back-ground upon the back leaf or section and so framing 95 the picture. Upon the leaf or section 2, I provide ornamentations or representations of suitable design. In the present instance I have shown a house 4 with trees 5 and foliage or flowers 6, the same extending, in the 100 present instance, upwardly from the edge of the opening 3 but it will be apparent that these ornamentations or representations may extend from the frame or the edge of the opening 3 at any suitable point and may be, 105 if desired, secured thereto in any suitable manner. It will be noted that the leaf 2 is shorter than the back leaf or section 1 in

order that when the free end or edge thereof is brought into position to coincide or be situated adjacent the free end of the back leaf or section 1 that the latter is bowed, as best 5 seen in Fig. 3, causing it to be considerably separated or to be situated in a different vertical plane, so that the ornamentations or representations, on the two leaves, will appear in relief or perspective as will be evi-10 dent and that the same will be suitably positioned in order to represent a scene or other

desired representation.

7 designatés an intermediate leaf which is connected or extends from the opposite edge 15 of the back leaf or section 1 from that from which the leaf 2 extends and, in the present instance, I have shown the leaf 7 as integral. with said back leaf of section 1 but the same may be secured thereto in any suitable man-20 ner. I provide on the front face of the leaf 7 any suitable ornamentations or representations and it will be noted that the said intermediate leaf 7 is shorter than the back leaf or section 1 but is longer than the front leaf 25 or section 2 whereby it will be understood that when the parts are caused to assume their operative position the free edge of the leaf 7 will contact with a suitable stop in order that the same will be slightly bowed 30 and will stand intermediate the back leaf 1 and the front leaf 2 in substantially the position seen in Fig. 3 and thus causing the ornamentations or representations thereon to be situated in a different vertical plane 35 from either that of the front or the back leaf, the effect of which upon the scene or picture will be evident. In the present instance, the free edge of the leaf 7 will be seated at the joint or crease between the 40 leaves 1 and 2, which thus forms a stop or abutment for the leaf 7.

Any suitable means may be employed for holding the parts in their operative position and in the present instance, I have provided 45 a slot or slit 8 in the front leaf 2 and the extending tab 9 on the back leaf or section 1 which is adapted to be inserted into the slot 8, as best seen in Fig. 3, to hold the parts in

their proper position.

From the above it will be understood that I have provided a display card which can be provided with any suitable ornamentations, representations or scenes; that the same is in the form of a knock-down display card so 55 that the leaves may be folded against each other and in flat position, as seen in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2, and can be easily manipulated to cause the same to assume the proper operative position, as seen in Fig. 3, in order 60 to display the ornamentations or representations in the form of a scene or picture and in proper relations with respect to each other. Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Let-

65 ters Patent, is:

1. In a device of the character stated, a rear leaf having a background thereon, a front leaf extending from one end of the rear leaf and having representations thereon forming portions of a picture complementary to the background and being suitably cut away, and an intermediate leaf having representations thereon forming portions of a picture complementary to the background and the other representations, said intermediate leaf being suitably cut away and extending from the other end of said rear leaf and said leaves being of different lengths.

2. In a device of the character stated, a rear leaf having a background thereon, a front leaf extending from one end of the rear leaf and having representations thereon forming a portion of a picture complementary to the background and being suitably cut away, means for securing the free end of the front leaf with the opposite end of the rear leaf, and an intermediate leaf having representations thereon forming a portion of a picture complementary to the background and to the other representations, said intermediate leaf being suitably cut away and extending from the other end of said rear leaf and said leaves being of different lengths.

3. In a device of the character stated, a rear leaf carrying a background, a front leaf extending from one end of said rear leaf having representations thereon and being suitably cut away and an intermediate leaf extending from the other end of said rear leaf, having representations thereon and being suitably cut away, said leaves being of different lengths and said intermediate

leaf being adapted to abut a suitable stop when said rear leaf is bowed in order to assure a position between said leaves at a suitable distance away from each and said background and representations being comple-

mentary.

4. In a device of the character stated, a rear leaf carrying a background, a front leaf extending from one end of said rear leaf having representations thereon and being suitably cut away, an intermediate leaf extending from the other end of said rear leaf, having representations thereon and being suitably cut away, said leaves being of different lengths and said intermediate leaf being adapted to abut a suitable stop when said rear leaf is bowed in order to assure a position between said leaves at a suitable distance away from each, said background and representations being complementary, and means for holding the leaves in operative position.

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