

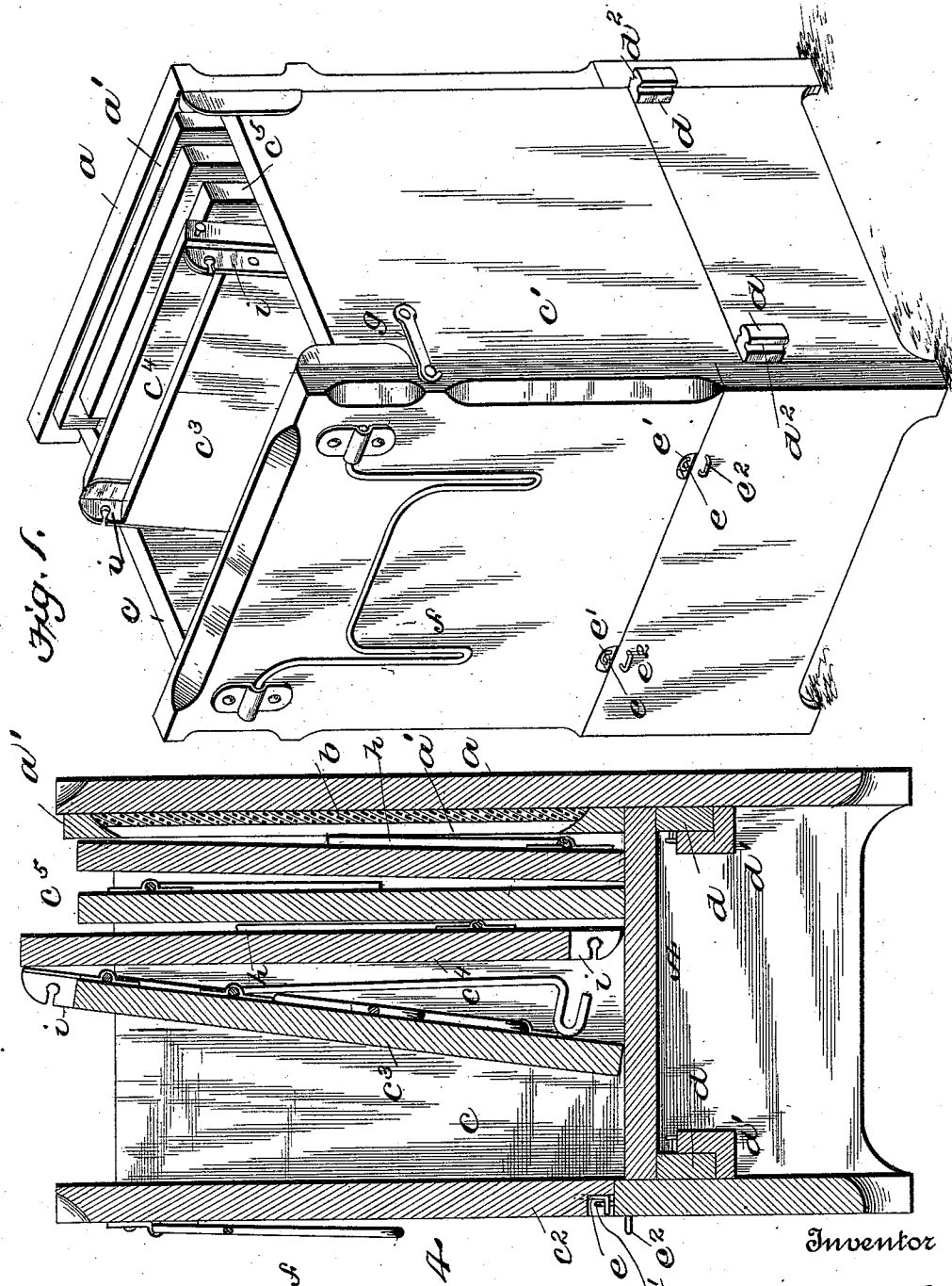
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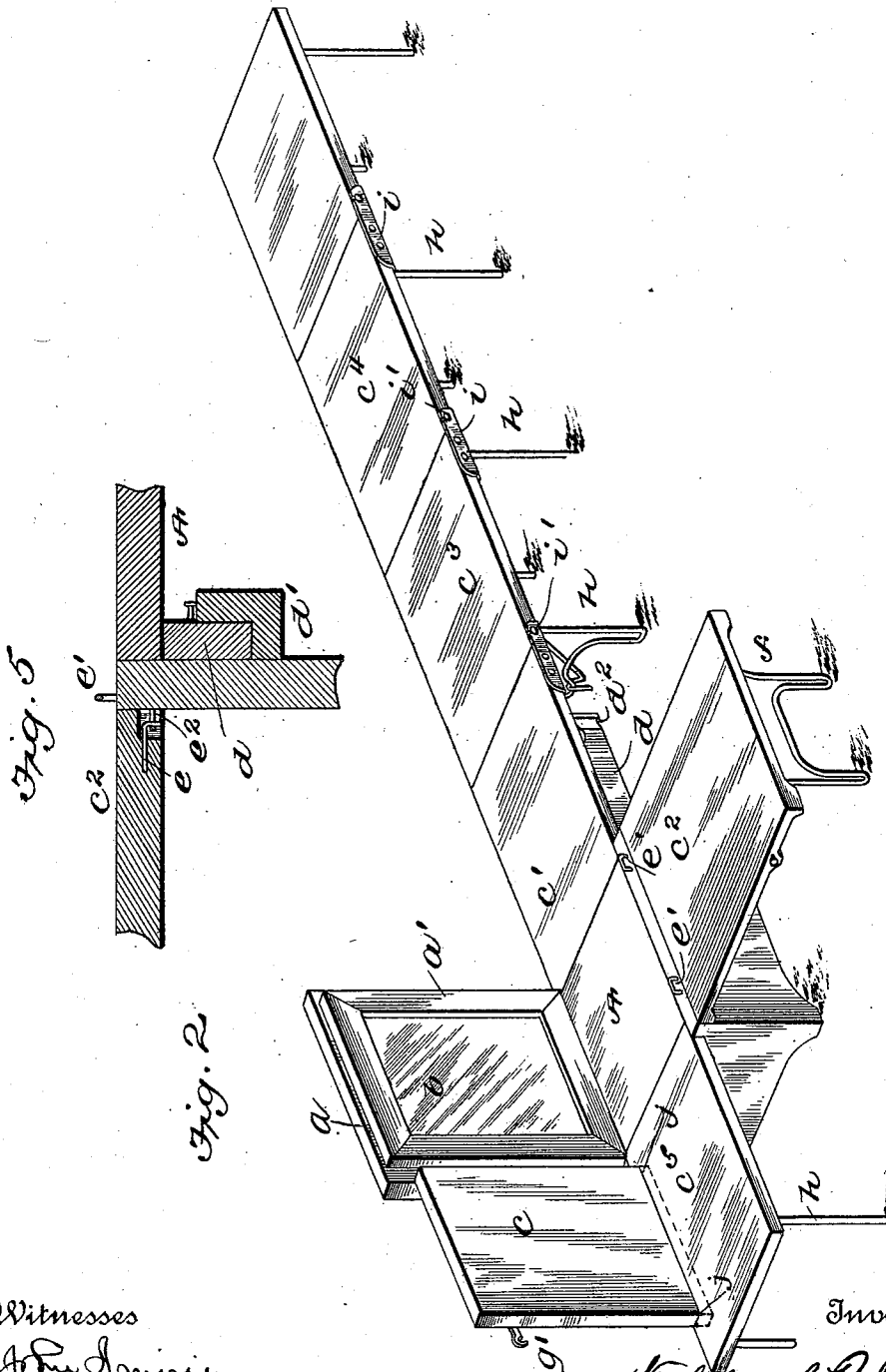
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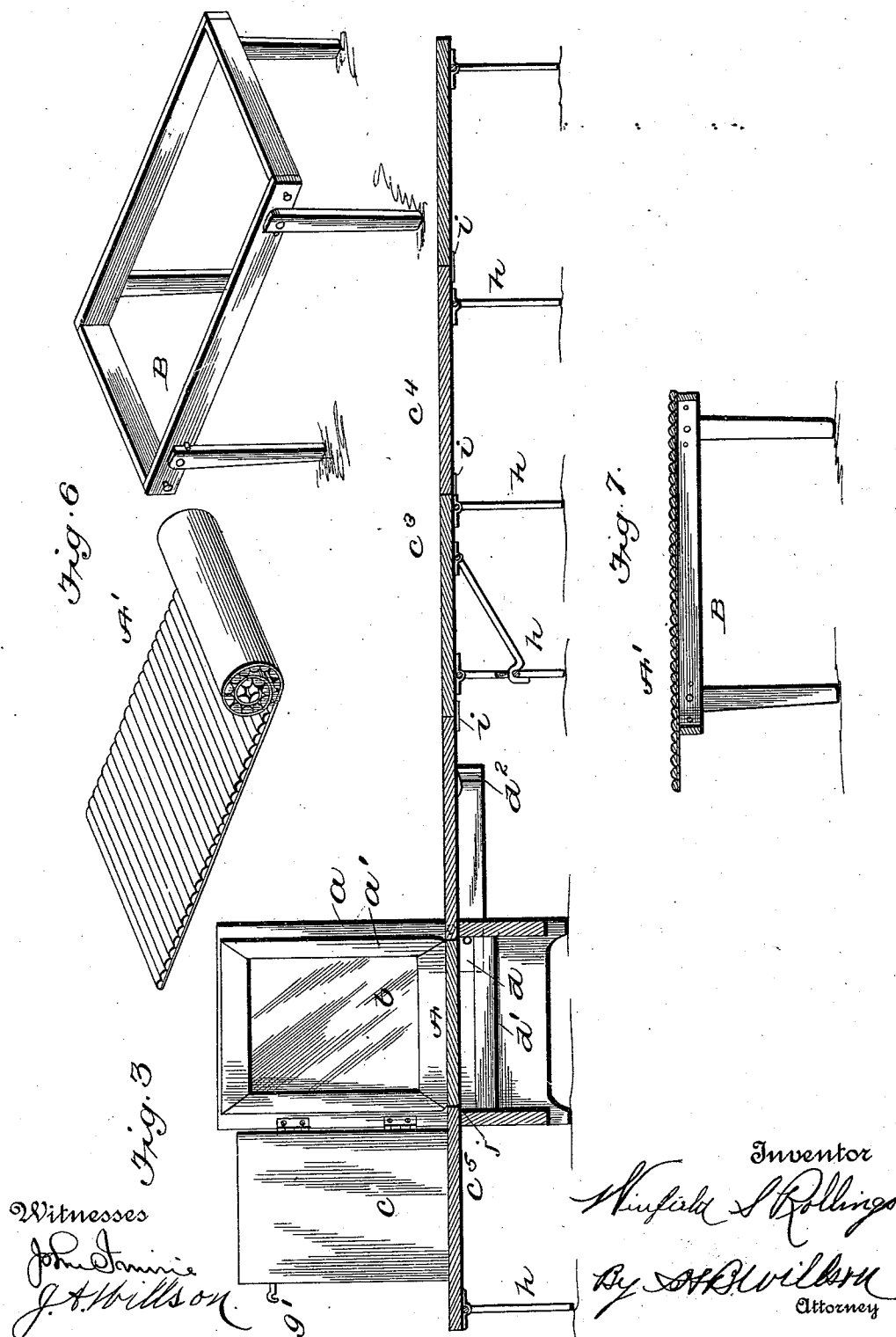
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WINFIELD S. ROLLINGS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding or Extension Tables; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in folding or extension tables, more especially for hotels and inns for exhibiting samples of goods on by commercial or traveling agents, combining certain facilities and advantages in the use of the same which will be apparent further on, and to these ends the invention consists of the combination and arrangement of parts, substantially as hereinafter more fully disclosed and specially pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a view of my invention, showing it folded. Fig. 2 is a view thereof, showing it unfolded or extended. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section of the same unfolded or extended. Figs. 4 and 5 are cross-sections taken through different portions thereof. Fig. 6 is a modification, showing a continuous canvas or flexible table top and skeleton-support therefor. Fig. 7 is a sectional elevation thereof with the parts assembled.

In carrying out my invention, I provide a relatively stationary table section A, having at one side, relatively its rear side, an upward extension *a*; and into a frame *a'* upon said extension is secured a mirror *b*, facing toward the table, and to one side of said extension is hinged a side section *c* which, when standing at right angles to said extension or folded, abuts against the same and is in alignment with one side of said table section.

Opposite to the side section *c* is a drop side-section *c'*, being pivoted or hinged to drop downward and, in its lower or extended position, to rest flush with the top of the table-section A, it being supported, however, in this position by slides or bars *d* sliding through openings in the side of the table-section and suitably incased, as at *d'*, under the top of

the table-section. These slides are suitably shaped or formed at their projecting or outer ends as at *d*<sup>2</sup> to permit them to be conveniently grasped and withdrawn when desired for the purpose aforesaid. At right angles to these side sections *c c'*, is a third side-section *c*<sup>2</sup> having at its bottom edge or end inset hooks *e* adapted to engage either of two sets of staples *e'*, or *e*<sup>2</sup> on the table-section A according as it is in an upright, or in a horizontal, position, as shown. When in its horizontal or lowered position, the side-section *c*<sup>2</sup> is supported about flush with the top of the table-section A by means of folding legs *f* applied to said side-section, near its normally upper end. These side-sections *c c'*, *c*<sup>2</sup> are hooked together when standing edge to edge as shown by hooks and catches *g g'*.

*c*<sup>3</sup>, *c*<sup>4</sup>, *c*<sup>5</sup>, are leaves or table top sections, which may, of course, be increased in number, according to the quantity of goods or samples it may be desired to exhibit or display, these leaves or sections, when assembled in connection with the relatively stationary table-section as shown, forming an extension table or counter for the goods or samples to rest on. These leaves or table top-sections are provided with folding legs *h* for their support when in use, and the leaves *c*<sup>3</sup> *c*<sup>4</sup> and the convertible side-section *c'* have interconnecting notched projections *i*, and pins *i'* to provide for the assembling of the same, as shown, as an extension-table or counter. The table-top section *c*<sup>5</sup> is adapted for application to, and as an extension of, the opposite side of the table-section A, it being cut away as at *j* to receive and snugly hug the lower end of the side-section *c* with its inner end resting upon said table-section, flush with the top thereof, as shown. Previous, however, to disposing the side-section *c*<sup>5</sup> in this latter position, the hinged side-section *c* is swung fully back against the edge of the upward side-extension *a* of the table-section A and then by moving the side-section *c* inward, it will be received into the recess formed by cutting away the section *c*<sup>5</sup> as at *j*, and thus serve to prevent the accidental endwise displacement of the latter section when in its horizontal position.

The table-section A, with its hinged side-

sections, when the latter are hooked together, form a convenient receptacle to hold the portable table-top sections or leaves, when not in use.

- 5 In the modification illustrated in Fig. 6 is a continuous flexible table top A' which is adapted to be supported on a suitable skeleton framing or support B. The longitudinal side pieces of said support have headed pins  
 10 B<sup>2</sup> whereby if desired, either end may be hooked to the notched projections on the table top leaves or sections. The support B has suitable pivoted legs B<sup>3</sup>.

Having thus fully described my invention,  
 15 what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination with the section A having an upward extension *a*, a side section *c*, hinged to the said extension *a*, side section *c'*  
 20 hinged to the section A and adapted to swing downwardly, sliding bars adapted to support said section *c'* flush with the top of section A, the side section *c*<sup>2</sup> hooks on the lower edge of said section *c*<sup>2</sup> adapted to engage either of two  
 25 sets of staples on section A whereby to support said section *c*<sup>2</sup> in either an upright or horizontal position, folding legs *f*, carried by said section *c*<sup>2</sup>, and a section *c*<sup>5</sup> adapted to form an extension of the table section A, said  
 30 section being cut away near one edge to receive the lower end of section *c*, all arranged as and for the purpose specified.

2. The combination with the section A having an upward extension *a*, a side section *c*, hinged to the said extension *a*, side section *c'*  
 35 hinged to the section A and adapted to swing downwardly, sliding bars adapted to support said section *c'* flush with the top of section A, the side section *c*<sup>2</sup> hooks on the lower edge of said section *c*<sup>2</sup> adapted to engage either of two  
 40 sets of staples on section A whereby to support said section *c*<sup>2</sup> in either an upright or horizontal position, folding legs *f*, carried by said section *c*<sup>2</sup> and a section *c*<sup>5</sup> adapted to form an extension of the table section A said  
 45 section being cut away to receive the lower end of section *c*, a supplementary extension or table top section and notched projections and pins carried by the said supplementary section and the section *c'*, adapted to engage  
 50 for the purpose specified.

3. The combination of the table section having the upward extension and the hinged side-section connected to said extension, and the convertible side-section having folding  
 55 legs and a cut-away portion to receive said hinged side-section, substantially as described.

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

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