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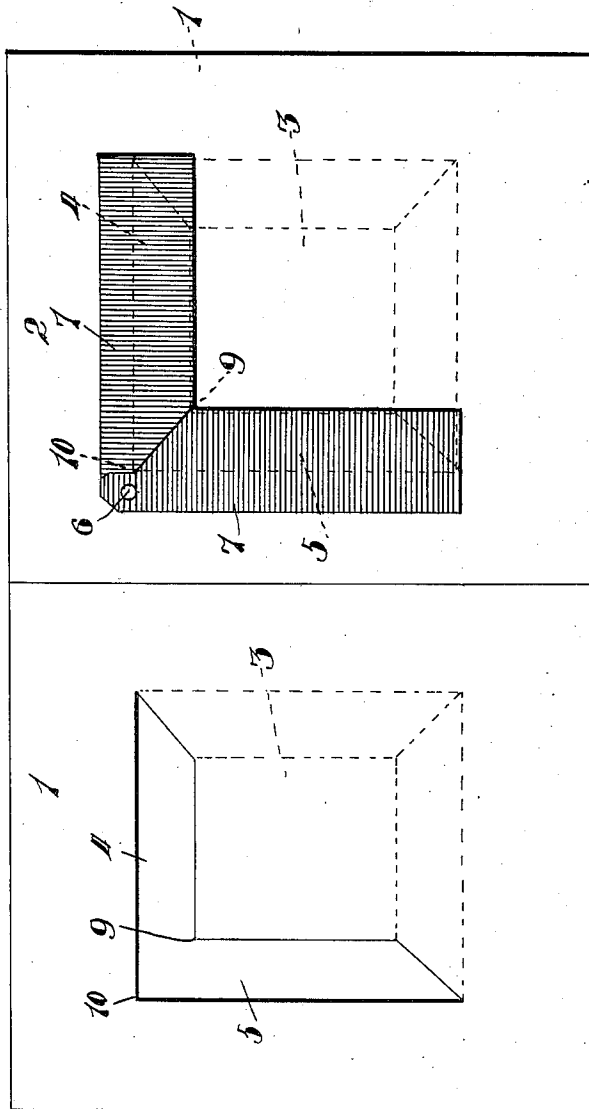


Fig. 1

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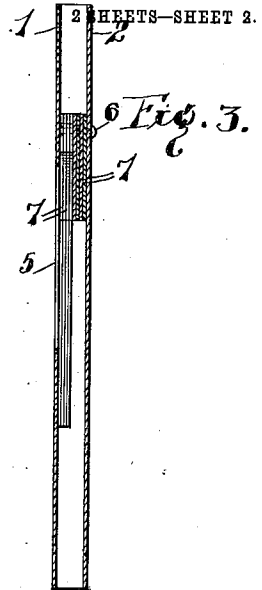
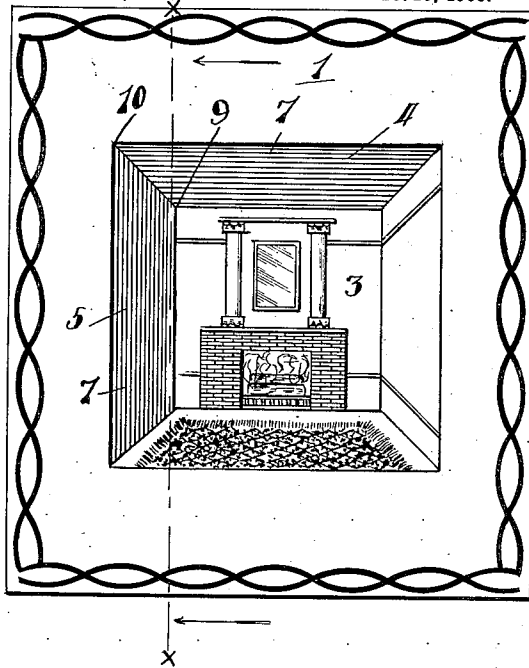
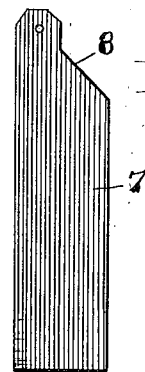
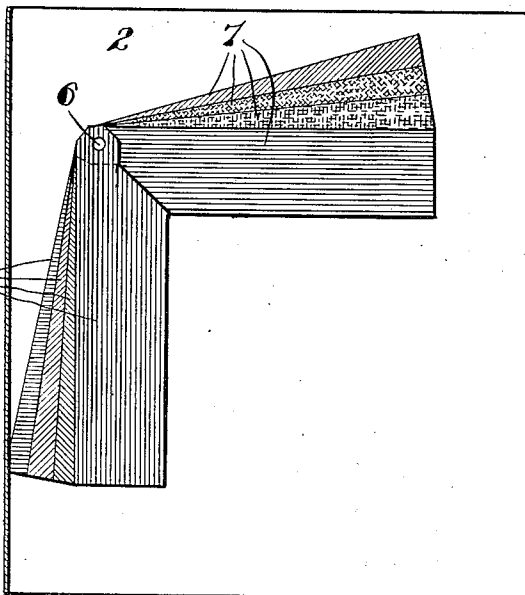


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM CHURCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Exhibiting Device to Show Harmonious Color Combinations in Rooms, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is designed to permit the dealer to show his prospective customer by actual exhibition of the various colors in combination, just what his room will look like.

When a firm figures on finishing a room it is customary to have washed drawings made showing the color scheme as it will appear when completed. These sketches are quite expensive, especially so if the customer wants to see three or four different color schemes.

My invention has for its object to provide a device, by the use of which a variety of color schemes for a room may be exhibited, showing the harmonious combinations of the colors as they will actually appear when the room is finished.

My means of accomplishing the foregoing may be more readily understood by having reference to the accompanying drawings which are hereunto annexed and are a part of this specification, in which,

Figure 1 is a view of my device showing the outer fold or cover laid back disclosing the inside. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the outside cover of my device showing the colors matched for wall and ceiling. Fig. 3 is a cross section taken on the line $x x$ in Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a view of the inside of the device, the top cover shown in Fig. 2 being removed. Fig. 5 is a detail view of one of the color cards.

Similar reference numerals refer to similar parts throughout the entire description.

In the drawings, my device is constructed of a top and bottom fold 1 and 2. The upper or top fold 1 has printed or drawn upon its surface a room 3. This room may, of course, be varied to illustrate various rooms of a house—parlor, dining-room, den, living-room, etc.

As shown, the ceiling 4 and the side wall 5 of the room is cut away in the top 1, so that one looks through the top to the inner or bottom side 2 upon its inner side.

Suitably mounted upon a pin or pivot 6, or in any other convenient method of fasten-

ing, are the color cards 7. These cards should be prepared from the actual materials to be used. By swinging them into the position shown in Fig. 4 and folding the cover 1 down upon them, you see the color cards 7 through the openings for the ceiling 4 and side wall 5 in actual contact, precisely as they will appear in the room.

If one only desired to see a single combination formed from the top and next adjacent color card 7, this would be comparatively simple, but where one desires to pick out the top card for the ceiling and the bottom card for the wall, it becomes a matter of some difficulty except by the use of my improved color cards, which are cut as shown in the detail view, so as to provide a line 8 which shall coincide with a line drawn from the point 9 at which the ceiling and side wall meet to a point corresponding to the outer corner 10 where the ceiling and side wall meet. By cutting the card in this manner, you can swing the various cards into position making any combination required from the cards located at any point on the pivot.

It is obvious that my invention may be used to show various types and forms of tile for mantles, rugs and even furniture, the whole presenting the actual colors to be used in the decoration of the room, thus disclosing an entire color scheme or harmonious color combination.

Having described my invention, what I regard as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. In a device of the character described, the combination of a folder formed of a front and rear fold, there being a representation of a room upon the outer surface of the folder, one of the side walls and the ceiling in said representation being cut away, a plurality of color cards mounted upon the inside of the said folder, the said cards being cut so as to present, when placed at right angles to each other, a mitered line coinciding to a line drawn from the inner to the outer corner of the room at the point where the ceiling and side wall meet, for the purpose set forth, substantially as described.

2. A color exhibiting device formed with a top and bottom, there being a representation of a room upon the outer surface of the top, there being openings in the top where the ceiling and one of the side walls would appear in said representation, a plurality of color cards mounted upon the inside of the

device said cards being cut so as to present, when placed at right angles to each other, a mitered line coinciding to a line drawn from the inner to the outer corner of the room at the point where the ceiling and side wall meet, for the purpose set forth, substantially as described.

3. A color exhibiting device formed with a top and bottom, there being a representation of a room upon the outer surface of the top, a plurality of color cards mounted upon the

inside of the said device, there being openings in the pictured room to permit the colors upon the said cards to show from the exterior of the device, the whole presenting a complete room showing the actual colors in combination, for the purpose set forth, substantially as described.

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