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Fig. 1.

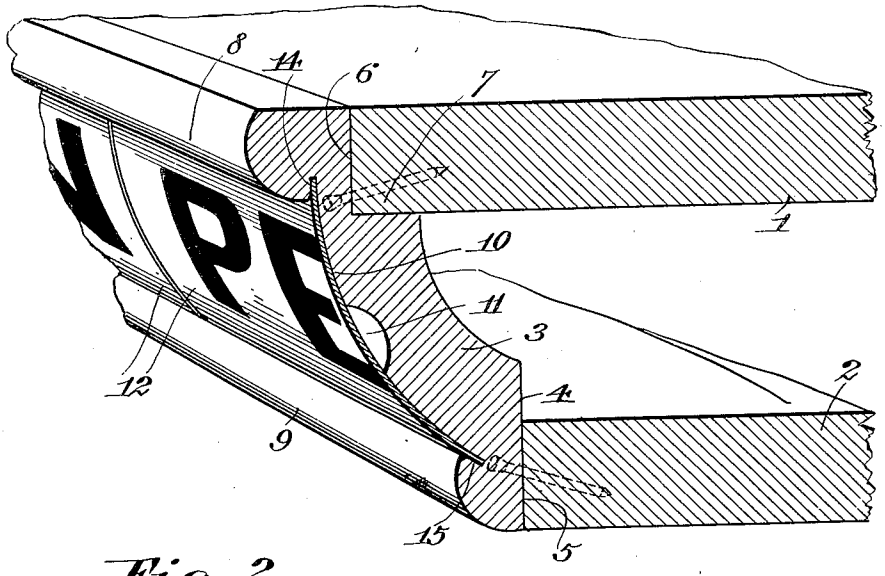
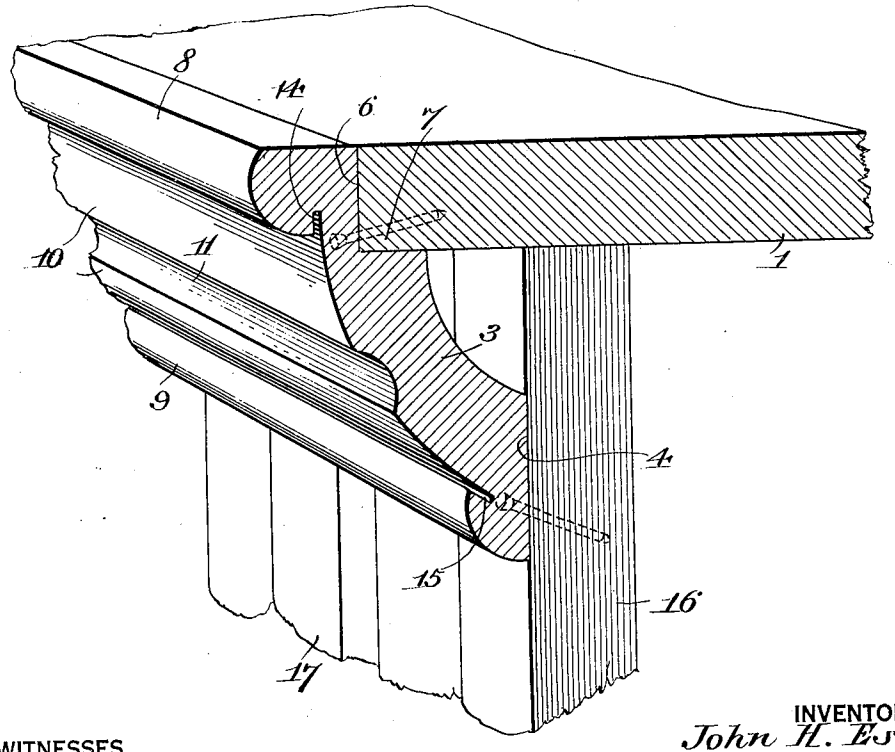


Fig. 2.



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This invention relates to crown moldings used in store furniture, and has for an object to provide an improved structure wherein molding may be accurately fitted to the two top-shelf members or to a shelf member and a pilaster so as to expose one face.

Another object of the invention is to provide a crown molding which acts in the double capacity of a trimming member for the top of ice-boxes, or the top of shelving in stores, the structure being such so as to present a pleasing ornamental appearance, and at the same time, as means for holding display cards, price tickets, and the like.

A further object, more specifically, is to provide a substantially arc-shaped crown molding having an offset or a cutout for receiving the top shelf when the molding is mounted in position.

In the accompanying drawing,—

Figure 1 is a fragmentary perspective view of two shelves and a short section of crown molding disclosing an embodiment of the invention.

Figure 2 is a view similar to Figure 1 but showing the crown molding connected to the top shelf and to a pilaster.

Referring to the accompanying drawing by numerals, 1 and 2 indicate the two top shelves of the shelving in a store, and 3 the crown molding embodying the invention. The crown molding 3 when connected to the shelves 1 and 2, or connected to other devices, forms an ornamental trimming, as well as a brace and means for supporting display cards, price tickets, and the like. As shown particularly in Figure 1, the crown molding 3 is provided with a straight portion 4 adapted to fit flatwise against the outer edge 5 of the shelf 2, so that a nail or other means may be readily used for connecting the parts together. Along the upper edge of the crown molding is provided an L-shaped cutout or notch 6 which receives the corner 7 of the shelf 1, thus bracing the shelf 1, as well as the shelf 2, and providing a neat connection between the boards through which a nail or other securing means may be driven to permanently connect the molding in place. The outer face of the molding is formed with ornamental top and bottom beads 8 and 9 and an ornamental curved central surface 10, having an arc-shaped groove 11 extending longitudinally of the molding. This presents an ornamental appearance which is pleasing, as illustrated particularly in Figure 2. In addition to presenting this trimming or ornamental appearance, the molding is formed to receive and hold cards 12, so as to be readily seen. These cards may be of pasteboard or other material and are slipped into the longitudinal grooves 14 and 15 by bending. These cards are bowed by reason of the surface 10 and may be readily removed by forcing part of the finger or a pencil in the groove 11, and then moving the finger or pencil outwardly. However, by reason of the curve of the surface 10, the cards are maintained under tension, and, therefore, present a neat desirable appearance.

Under some circumstances, instead of using the shelf 2, the top shelf or board 1 may be used and a pilaster 16 used. Vertical uprights hold the shelving in place, extend from the top shelf to the bottom shelf and are commonly known as pilasters. In the present invention the pilaster 16 is arranged in this manner, though the face 17 is formed according to the face of the crown molding 3 so that cards may be inserted therein if desired. It will be noted that the surface 4 will readily fit against the pilaster 16, the same as it fits against the outer edge 5 of the shelf 2.

I claim:—

1. A crown molding comprising a body having at the rear a right angle notch near one edge and a straight surface near the other edge, said straight surface being parallel to one of the surfaces of the notch and the front surface being formed to receive and hold a ticket, said front surface including a longitudinally slotted bead arranged on each longitudinal edge, and an outwardly curved central portion between said beads, said outwardly extending central portion having a centrally positioned longitudinally arranged groove, the surface of said central portion at each edge forming one of the surfaces of the respective slot.

2. A crown molding comprising a body formed at the rear with a vertical contact surface near the top and a vertical surface near the bottom when the body is arranged at a substantial angle to the vertical, a surface adjacent the top of the body extending from the bottom of said contact surface and at right angles to said contact surface to produce with the contact surface a right angle notch, and overhanging shoulders at the front for receiving and holding price cards.

3. A crown molding comprisiug a comparatively long narrow body having an arc-shaped front divided centrally with a longitudinal groove and a bead along each longitudinal edge, each of said beads having a slot positioned to receive and hold a card against said front surface and a rear surface formed with a right angle notch along one longitudinal edge and a straight flat portion along the other longitudinal edge, said straight flat portion and one of the walls of said

notch being parallel and vertical when said body is arranged at a substantial angle to the vertical.

4. A crown molding formed at the rear with a notch along one longitudinal edge and a flat surface at the other longitudinal edge, said notch and said flat surface being adapted to fit against supports, and at the front with a bead along each longitudinal edge, and an outwardly extending convex card-receiving surface between said beads, said card-receiving surface having a centrally positioned groove and side portions each extending from the respective edge of the groove to a point beneath the respective bead to produce supporting surfaces for a card and notches for the reception of two of the edges of the card.

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