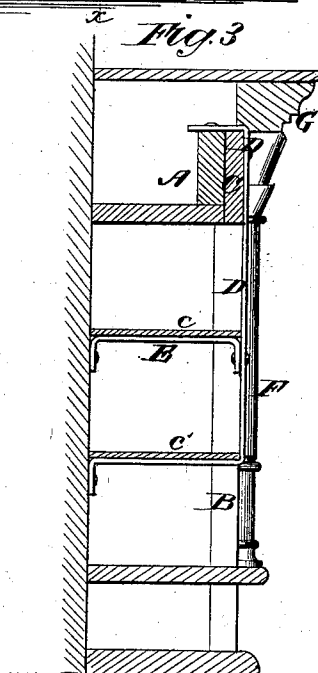
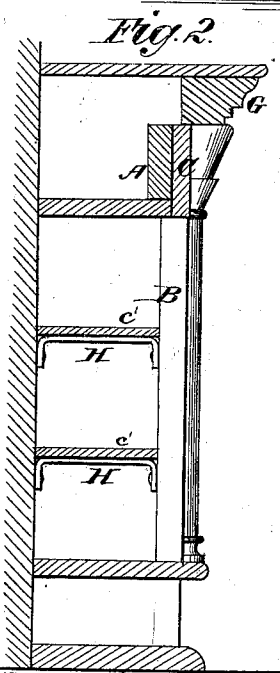
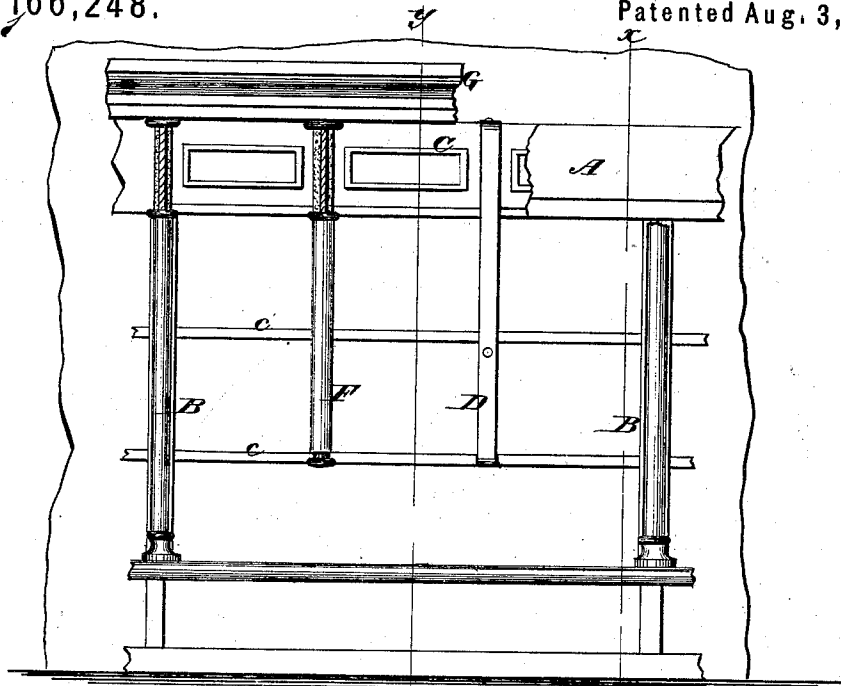


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Fig. 1

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IMPROVEMENT IN SHELVING FOR STORES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY T. BESTOR, of San Francisco, in the county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Store-Shelving, of which the following is a specification:

In this improved construction of store-shelving the carrying-girder is set back, so that the front finish comes flush with the front of the supporting-posts, to allow of metal bars being suspended on the face of the finish for the intermediate support of the shelves, and so that covering columns may be applied in a simple way to hide the rod, with their capitals extending to the brackets which extend to the cornice.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved shelving. Fig. 2 is a section on line *x x* of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a section on line *y y*.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the carrying-girder, which is arranged on the supports B sufficiently back of the front for the front finish C to be flush therewith. The girder extends over several spaces, in which the shelves *c'* are to be supported without the aid of posts B by suspension from the girder, for which I use the suspending-bars D, which are attached to the girder and hang down the front of the finish C and the

front of the shelves, to connect the bearers E, which are attached to the wall at the back end. F represents the covering columns for the bars D, which extend up to the cornice G, and entirely hide the bars D. The bearers H, which support the shelves at the posts B, are attached to them, and the lower intermediate bearers E are formed by a portion of the hanging-bar D bent back to the wall and secured to it. These bearers may be let in the wall flush, if desired; also in the under side of the shelves.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The carrying-girder A and the front finish C, arranged in combination with the posts B, to suspend the hangers D, and receive the covering columns F, as specified.

2. The metal suspension-bars D and bearers E for the shelves, combined with the carrying-girder A and facing C, substantially as specified.

3. The suspension-bars placed outside of the finish, to receive the covering columns and their capitals outside of the line of finish, substantially as specified.

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