

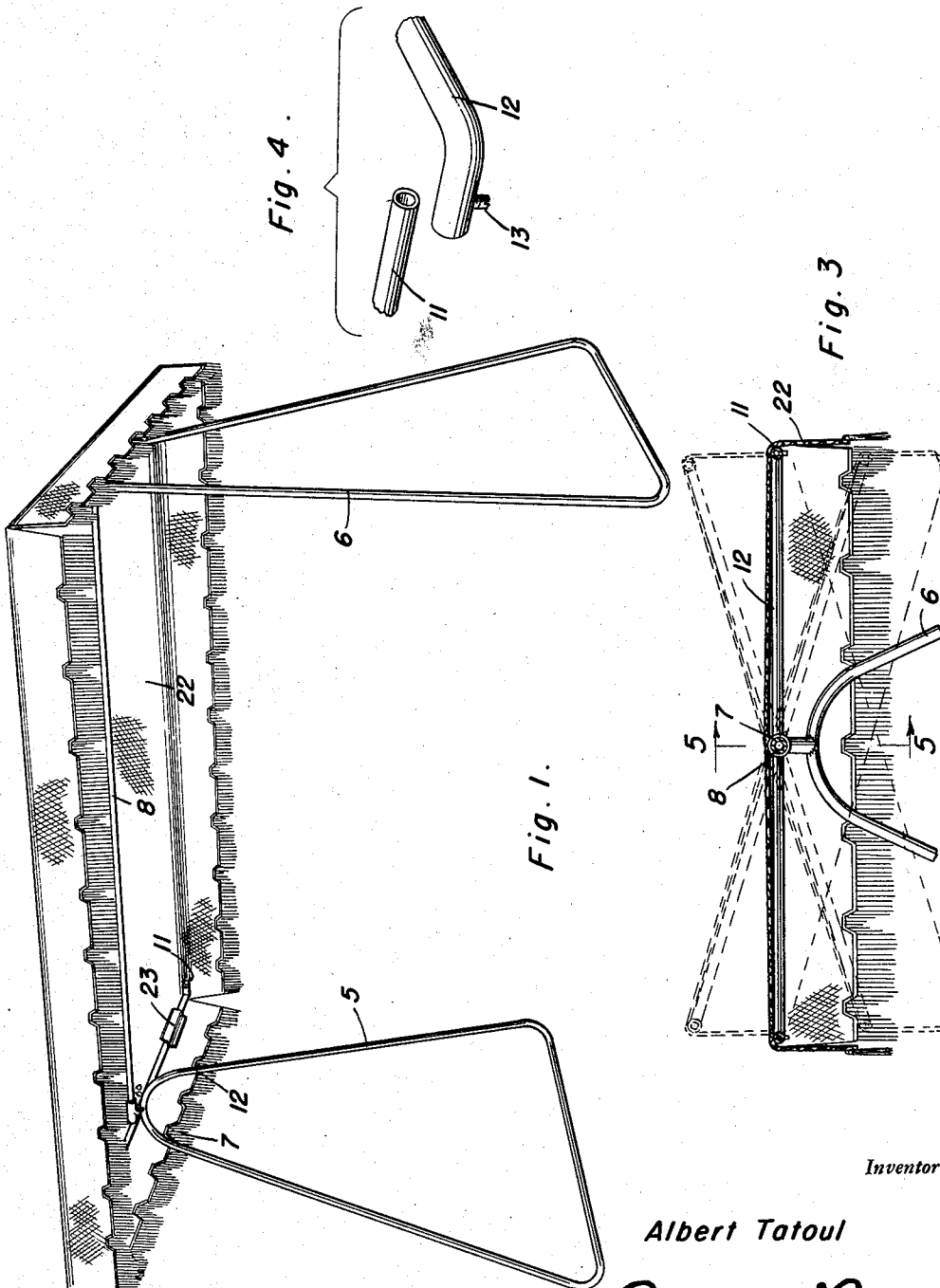
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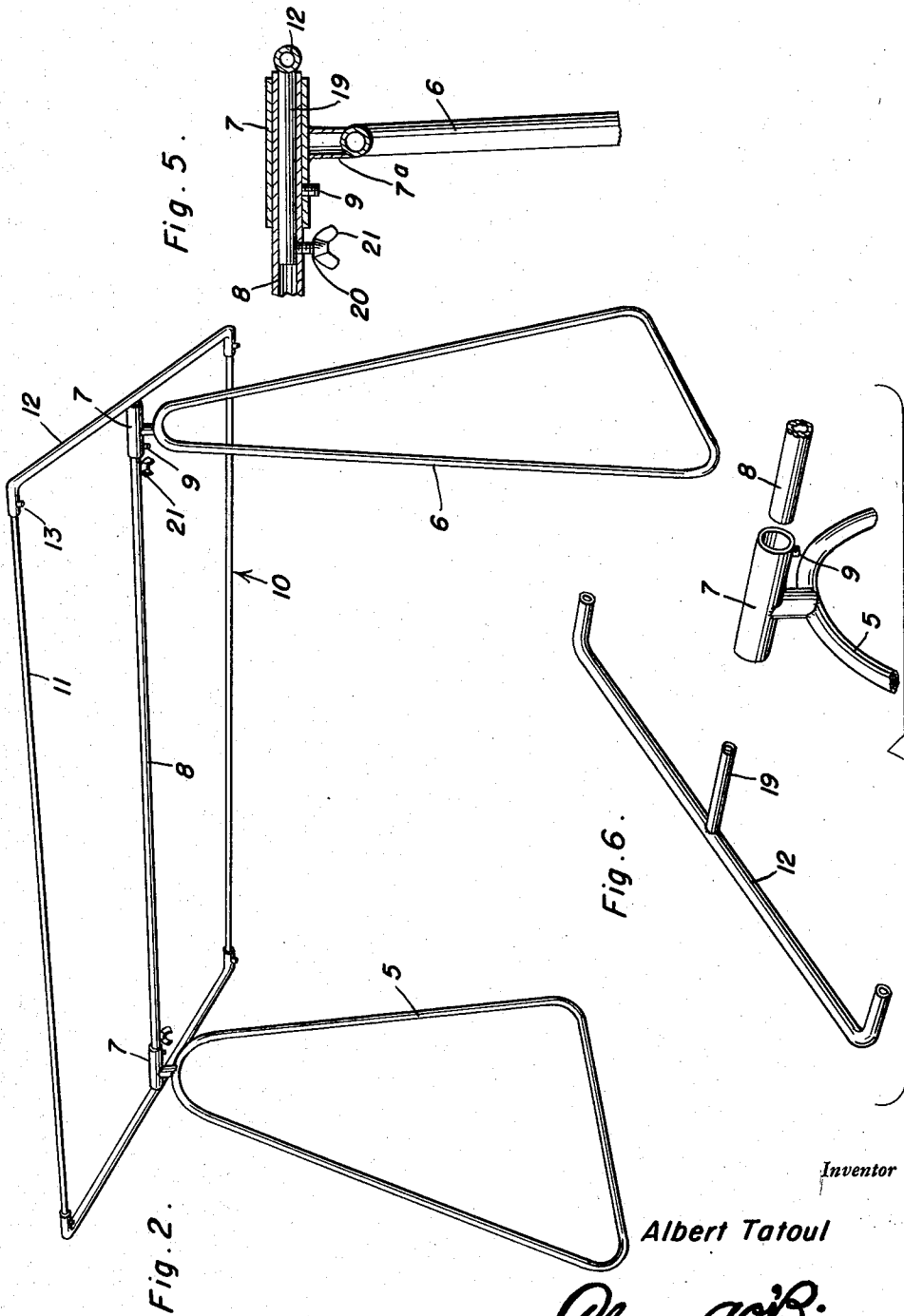
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The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in sunshades and more particularly to a portable sunshade whereby the same may be placed in its most effective position.

An important object of the invention is to provide a portable sunshade including a pair of side supports on the top of which a horizontal frame is supported with a canopy stretched thereon together with means for securing the frame in a desired tilted position.

Another object of the invention is to provide a sunshade including a knock-down canopy supporting frame.

A still further object is to provide a device of this character of simple and practical construction, which is neat and attractive in appearance, relatively inexpensive to manufacture and otherwise well adapted for the purposes for which the same is intended.

Other objects and advantages reside in the details of construction and operation as more fully hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings forming part hereof, wherein like numerals refer to like parts throughout, and in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the completed sunshade;

Figure 2 is a similar view with the canopy removed;

Figure 3 is a transverse sectional view of the tiltably supported canopy frame;

Figure 4 is a fragmentary group perspective view of the corner construction for the tiltable canopy frame;

Figure 5 is an enlarged fragmentary vertical sectional view of the rockable support for the canopy frame taken substantially on the line 5—5 of Figure 3; and,

Figure 6 is an enlarged fragmentary group perspective view thereof.

Referring now to the drawings in detail wherein for the purpose of illustration I have disclosed a preferred embodiment of the invention, the numerals 5 and 6 designate a pair of substantially triangular shaped end frame members having rounded corners and each end frame member having a sleeve 7 welded or otherwise suitably secured in a horizontal position to its top by means of a short tube 7a. A ridge pole 8 has its ends inserted in the sleeves 7 and secured in position therein by set screws or the like 9.

A rectangular shaped canopy supporting frame 10 includes a pair of longitudinal frame members 11 and end frame members 12, the end frame

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members being U-shape with their ends telescoping over the ends of the frame members 11 and secured thereto by set screws 13 to rigidly connect the frame members to each other.

A relatively short shaft 19 has one end welded or otherwise suitably secured to the central portion of each of the end frame members 12 and extends inwardly therefrom and rockably positioned in the end portions of the ridge pole 8 whereby the front and rear of frame 10 may be tilted vertically. The canopy frame 10 is secured in its tiltably adjusted position by a bolt 20 threaded through the ridge pole 8 to engage the shaft 19 and having a wing head 21 at its outer end to facilitate tightening and loosening of the bolt.

A canopy 22 of cloth or other suitable material is stretched over the canopy supporting frame 10 and is formed at its under side and its side and end portions with casings 23 through which the frame members 11 and 12 are inserted to secure the canopy in position on the frame.

The end frame members 5 and 6 may be easily and quickly assembled and detached from the canopy frame 10 and the frame handled or stored in a compact form.

The triangular shape of the end frame members 5 and 6 having rounded corners provides a relatively wide base to securely hold the canopy frame 10 in a desired tilted position without danger of becoming off-balanced or upset and at the same time the end frame members 5 and 6 offer relatively little obstruction so that chairs or tables may be readily placed in position under the canopy.

In view of the foregoing description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings it is believed that a clear understanding of the device will be quite apparent to those skilled in this art. A more detailed description is accordingly deemed unnecessary.

It is to be understood, however, that even though there is herein shown and described a preferred embodiment of the invention the same is susceptible to certain changes fully comprehended by the spirit of the invention as herein described and the scope of the appended claim.

Having described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

1. A sunshade comprising a pair of upstanding supports, a pair of horizontally aligned sleeves fixed to and surmounting said supports, a tubular ridge pole having ends fitted in and attached to said sleeves and detachable from said sleeves to provide for disassembling said supports and

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said pole, a rigid rectangular canopy frame having side members and end members with tubular terminals sleeved over and attached to the ends of said side members, said terminals being detachable from said ends by pulling off the same to provide for disassembling the members of said frame, and a pair of short center shafts extending horizontally from and fixed to said end members and slidably fitting into the ends of said pole for rockably supporting said frame on said sleeves, said shafts being slidable out of the ends of said pole to pull said terminals off the ends of said side members in disassembling the members of said frame.

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