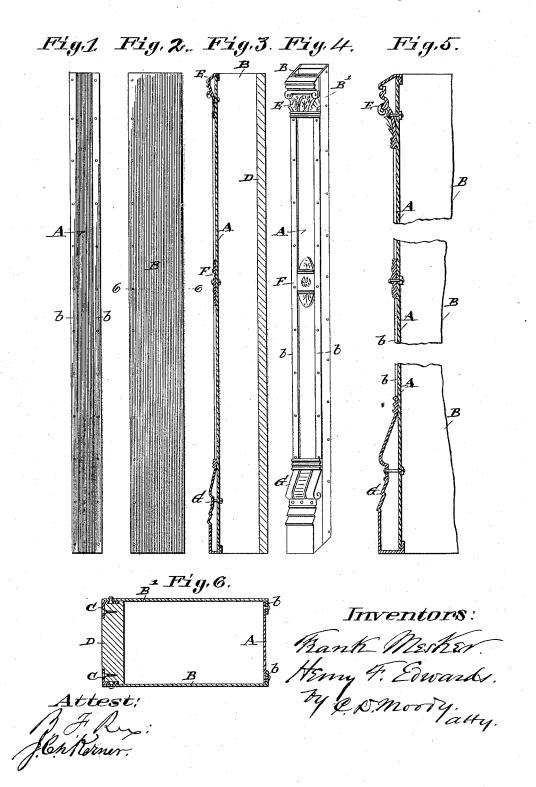
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## PLATE-METAL COLUMN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, FRANK MESKER and HENRY F. EDWARDS, of St. Louis, Missouri, have jointly made a new and useful Improvement in Plate-Metal Columns, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The improvement relates to columns used in building fronts, and composed, mainly, of 10 sheets and angle irons.

The improvement consists in the special shape and combination of the parts composing the column, substantially as is hereinafter described and claimed, and as is illustrated in the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improved column as before being ornamented; Fig. 2, a side elevation of the same; Fig. 3, a vertical 20 section of the column ornamented; Fig. 4, a view in perspective, from its front, of the ornamented column; Fig. 5, a vertical section upon an enlarged scale, showing in detached parts the front portion of the ornamented column; 25 and Fig. 6, a horizontal section, upon an enlarged scale, on the line 6 6 of Fig. 2.

The same letters of reference denote the same parts.

The column is composed of six parts—the face A, the cheeks B B', the angle irons C C, 30 and the filling piece D. The face is a sheet without flanges. The cheeks each at the front edge are provided with a flange, b, to which the face is secured. The angle irons are respectively riveted to the cheeks at the rear 35 edge thereof, and the filling piece is secured to the angle irons, substantially as shown in Fig. 6. The ornamental portions E F G, each or all of them, can be attached to the column-face, substantially as shown.

The herein-described column, the same consisting of the face, the two cheeks, the two angle-irons, and the filling-piece, said cheeks at the front edge thereof each having a flange 15

riveted to the face, and said angle irons being secured to the cheeks at the rear edge thereof and also to said filling piece.

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Witnesses:

We claim—

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