

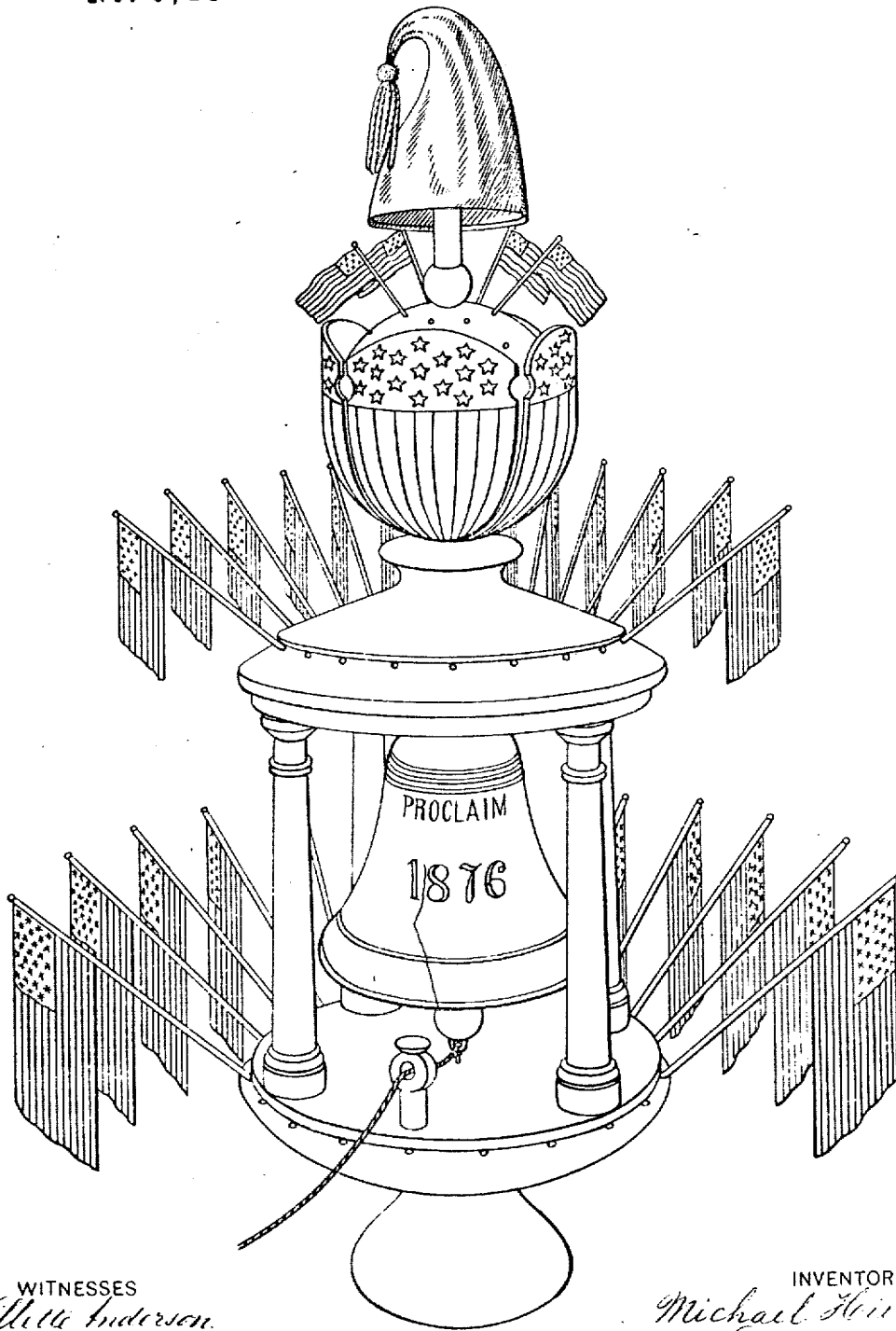
DESIGN.

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CENTENNIAL BELFRY.

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DESIGN FOR CENTENNIAL BELFRY.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MICHAEL HILD, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and original Design for a Belfry; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings and photographic illustrations, making a part of this specification.

The object of my design is to produce an object of art commemorative of the National Centennial; and its nature is fully represented in the accompanying drawings; making a part of this specification, to which reference is made. It consists of a belfry within the open body of which is hung the Centennial Bell, bearing the word "Proclaim" and the date "1876," and having the historic crack or fissure represented thereon. This bell is provided with a tongue, an operating-cord, and an upright supporting the said cord.

The base or platform of the belfry is provided with a number of radiating staffs bearing American flags, as is also its roof, and the

latter is surmounted by a calyx-shaped addition, bearing upon its faces representations of the well-known American shield. This surmounting addition is provided with a dome-like top, from which radiates a number of staffs bearing the American flag, and supporting the representation of the well-known liberty-cap upon a projecting staff inserted therein.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A design for a Centennial memorial, consisting of the Liberty Bell suspended in a belfry, the flags above and below the bell, the surmounting calyx-shaped addition, and the liberty-cap surmounting the said addition, substantially in the manner described.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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