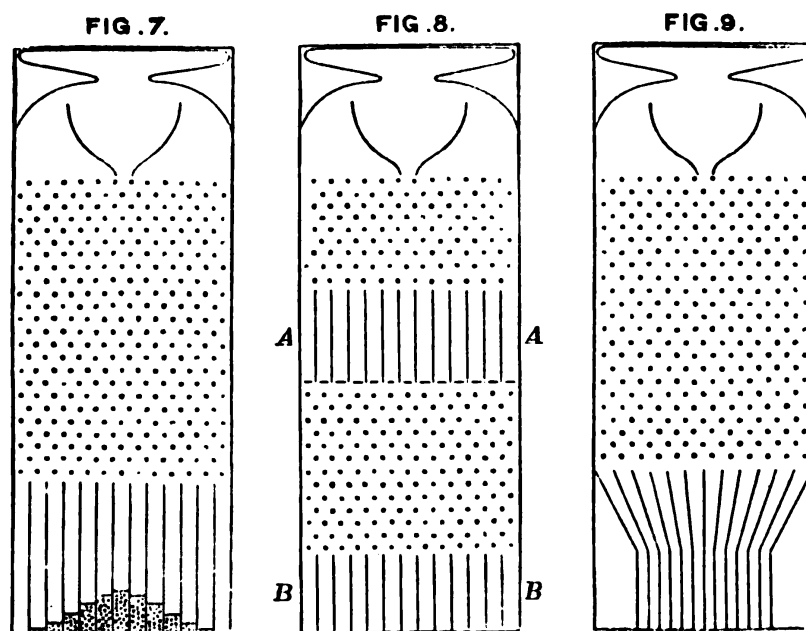


through the formidable thicket of difficulties that bars the path of those who pursue the Science of man.

*Mechanical Illustration of the Cause of the Curve of Frequency.*—The Curve of Frequency, and that of Distribution, are convertible: therefore if the genesis of either of them can be made clear, that of the other becomes also intelligible. I shall now illustrate the origin of the Curve of Frequency, by means of an apparatus shown in Fig. 7, that mimics in a very pretty way the conditions



on which Deviation depends. It is a frame glazed in front, leaving a depth of about a quarter of an inch behind the glass. Strips are placed in the upper part to act as a funnel. Below the outlet of the funnel stand a