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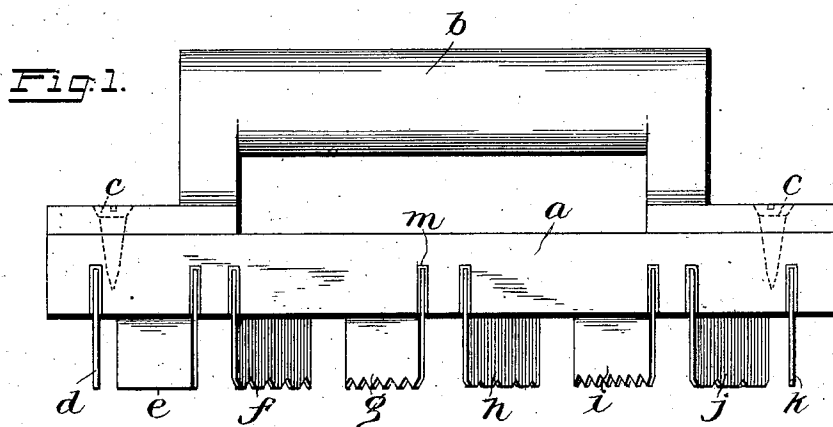


Fig. 2.

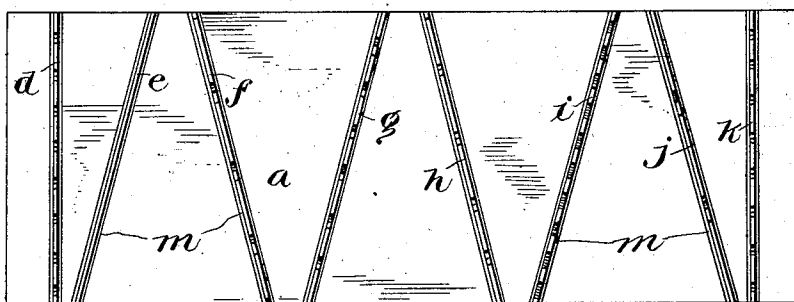
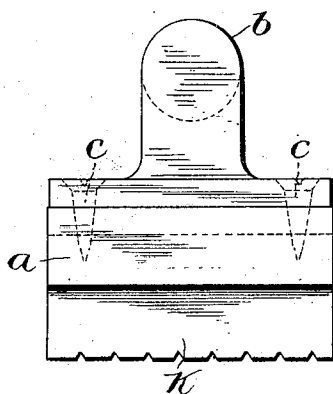


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROUBAUD ANTOINE, a citizen of the Republic of France, residing at Jersey City Heights, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Masons' Implements; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to improvements in masons' implements, and the object of my invention is to produce a simple and inexpensive implement whereby the cement mortar, often used on the outside of buildings, may be treated to give it the appearance of stone.

With this object in view, my invention consists in the construction and combinations of parts as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a side elevation of my invention; Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of the same; and Fig. 3 is an end view of the same.

a represents the back of the instrument made rectangular in shape, to which is attached a handle *b*, by means of screws *c*. The underside of the instrument is provided with a series of slits arranged at different angles on the bottom of the instrument as shown in Fig. 2. The back and handle are preferably made of wood and in the slots are inserted metal strips or plates *d*, *e*, *f*, *g*, *h*, *i*, *j* and *k*. These are slid in the grooves in the under part of the instrument, and suitable packing *m* is used to hold them in place. These strips are, of course, removable and replaceable by strips of different shapes. It should be noted that these strips or plates, which are rectangular in their general outline, may be made smooth like the strip *e*, or provided with saw-teeth like the strip *i*, or very small teeth like the strip *k*; and, as said before, all these strips are removable and may be replaced by others. The implement, however, is preferably made as shown in the drawings with various strips of different shaped teeth, or have no teeth at all thereon.

In using this implement after the cement mortar has been placed on the outside of a building, or any other place where it is to be used, the operator draws the implement back and forth over the surface of the mortar while it is soft, with as many of the projecting plates in contact therewith as he wishes. For example, if there is a rough place on the mortar, he can smooth it up by the use of the plate *e*. All, or a part of the projecting plates may, of course, be used while the operator is moving the instrument back and forth over the mortar. The result is that a skilful operator can give the mortar exactly the appearance of stone while it is soft, and it will, of course, afterward harden, giving the effect of a complete stone building.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is—

1. A masons' implement comprising a back provided with slots on one face, a handle attached thereto, and a series of plates removably held in the slots in said back, said plates having operating edges of different shapes, substantially as described.

2. A masons' implement comprising a back provided with slots on one face, a handle fastened thereto, and a series of rectangular metal plates inserted in the slots in said back at different angles to each other, said plates being provided with working faces of different shapes, substantially as described.

3. A masons' implement comprising a back, a handle fastened thereto, said back being provided with slots on the face opposite the handle arranged at different angles, and a series of rectangular plates adapted to be removably held in said slots, some of said plates being smooth and the others provided with teeth of different shapes, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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