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DECORATOR'S PIN.

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Fig. 1.

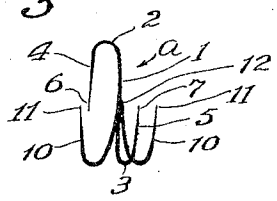


Fig. 2.

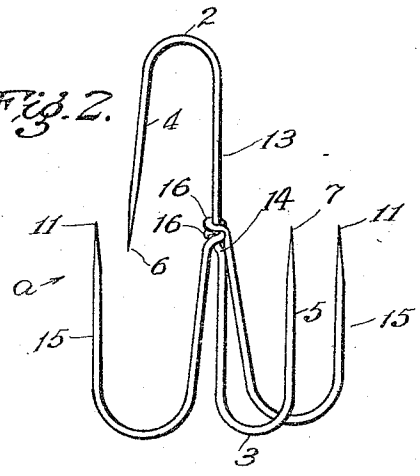


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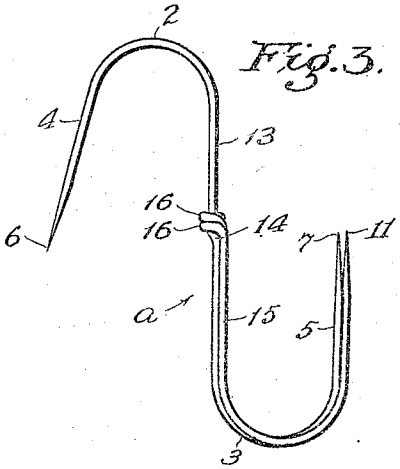
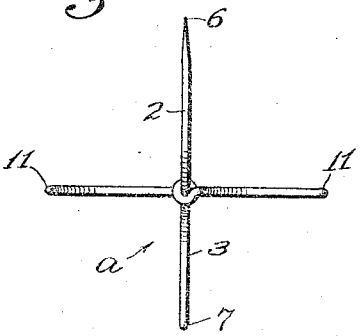


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER LUBETICH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Avalon, Santa Catalina Island, Los Angeles county, in the State of California, have invented a new and useful Decorator's Pin, of which the following is a specification.

An object of this invention is to provide a novel pin by means of which light articles may be suspended in many places, some of which would otherwise not be available for display of such articles. For instance, it is an object of this invention to provide means for hanging cards, pennants and handkerchiefs on the walls or woodwork where it is not permissible to drive nails; also to hang placards or articles for display or sale, as on books, neckties, clothing, fancy articles and the like in show windows or on shelves, also to attach tags to wall maps.

It is an object to provide a special facility for hanging draperies and decorations and to enable the decorator to easily adjust the draperies experimentally to different positions so as to visually determine the best effect with minimum loss of time.

An object of the invention is to provide a decorator's pin in which the weight of the suspended object will tend to hold the point of the pin inserted in its seat, so that the pin will support its load without being inserted as deeply into the body to which it is attached as is necessary for such purpose with pins and tacks now in common use.

The accompanying drawings illustrate the invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a multiple pin constructed in accordance with this invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective view of a form of pin having a plurality of supporting hooks.

Fig. 3 is a side view of the form of pin shown in Fig. 2 with the hooks collapsed.

Fig. 4 is a plan view to show the most preferable relative disposition of the auxiliary hooks shown in Figs. 1 and 2 when the device is in position for use.

The form of attaching the auxiliary hooks is that shown in Fig. 4.

The pin shown in Figs. 1 and 2 is made of very thin strong spring wire, preferably steel, about 22 gage, more or less, which is capable of receiving and holding a very fine point.

Said wire is bent into the form of a pothook *a* having a middle body 1, two end curves 2, 3, and two virtually straight terminals 4, 5, ending in the smooth, sharp points 6, 7, the curves and the terminals being arranged substantially in the same plane as the middle body of the hook *a*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 3.

The middle limb 1 and the upper limb 4 are somewhat divergent from the bend 2 being at an angle of about 14° to each other, and the lower limb 5 is about parallel with the middle limb 1. When the article is to be hung to a wall, the lower or supporting limb 5 of the hook *a* just described, may be inserted through the card or other article and the point of the upper or attaching limb 4 may then be inserted into the wall or other support, said point 6 being so thin and sharp that it will enter a plaster wall, or woodwork, or paper on the wall, or will even take hold on a thick coat of paint on metal; or the hook may be inserted into the bark or through the leaves of trees or shrubs to which it may be desired to attach a label.

The weight of the article upon the hook as well as the weight of the hook itself tends to force the downwardly turned point 6 of the hook into the support and does not have the effect of loosening the pin or enlarging the hole in which it may be seated. The pin may be inserted so that the lower bend 3 will rest against the support; but this is not necessary.

In case the support is of a character to be easily pierced, such as cloth, paper and the like, the fine wire passes therethrough without marring the same.

In the form shown in Fig. 1 the hook *a* is provided with auxiliary supporting hooks formed of wire of the fine character described and bent into U or V-shaped loops 10, each of which terminates in a sharp point 11, there being a loop 10 on each side of the limb 5 of the pin *a*.

In the form shown in Fig. 1 the hooks 10 are rigidly fixed to the middle limb 1 by any suitable means as solder at 12.

In the forms shown in Figs. 2, 3 and 4 the middle limb 13 is provided with a crook 14 from which the straight parts of the limb extend in opposite but parallel directions, and the curves 2 and 3 together with the straight terminals 4 and 5 are arranged substantially in the same plane as said straight

parts, this arrangement being most clearly shown in Fig. 3. Each of the U-shaped hooks 15 also has a straight stem adapted for attachment to the limb 13 by means of the eyelet 16 formed at the end of the straight stem. Each hook 15 is substantially on a plane with the straight stem, excepting said eyelet 16, which swiveling upon the limb 13 and being supported by the crook 14 is on a plane transverse to said other plane.

The hooks 15 may thus be arranged in any position relative to the members 3 and 5, although the most preferable disposition of said hooks when in use is that shown in Fig. 4, and they may even be swung alongside of or collapsed upon said members, as shown in Fig. 3, thereby adapting the pin for storage in minimized space.

In practical use the decorator will employ the hooks *a* in the manner suggested by the foregoing description, and where it is desired to drape material with loops at one place a plurality of hooks connected to the hook *a* may be used, said hooks being disposed at those points at which the article is to be supported. A plurality of decorative ornaments may thus be hung from one attaching point.

In the form shown in Figs. 1 and 2 the multiple hooks may be used for supporting various parts of the same drapery or may be used to support different articles.

The bend 2 affords a comfortable purchase on which the finger of the decorator may press to insert the point 6 into the support therefor, so that the pins can be stuck firmly in place without hurting one's fingers.

The middle limb 1 and the adjacent limb 4 afford a good handle by which the pin may be held by the thumb and the second finger while the first finger pressing the bend 2 forces the point home in its seat.

I claim:—

1. A decorator's pin constructed of fine wire having a middle limb which is recurved at its ends on the opposite sides of the limb; a substantially straight terminal extending from each of said curves in a direction parallel or nearly parallel with the limb; said curves and terminals being arranged substantially in the same plane as said limb; and a plurality of U-shaped hooks being arranged around one of the curves, opening in the same direction as said curve and fixed to said middle limb; said hooks and terminals being provided with smooth, sharp points substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. A decorator's pin constructed of fine wire having a middle limb provided with a crook therein, said limb having straight parts extending from said crook in opposite but parallel directions; bends at the ends of said straight parts on the opposite sides of the limb; a substantially straight terminal extending from each of said bends in the direction parallel or nearly parallel with said straight parts; said bends and terminals being arranged substantially in the same plane as said straight parts; a plurality of U-shaped hooks, each of said hooks having a straight stem for attaching the hook to said limb; an eyelet formed at an angle to and at the end of said stem on the side opposite to said hook, each hook being in the same plane as its stem; said hooks being supported by said eyelets upon said crook, arranged around and collapsible upon one of said bends and opening in the same direction as the bend; and said hooks and terminals being provided with smooth, sharp points substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Los Angeles, California, this 30th day of April, 1915.

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