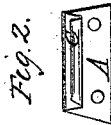
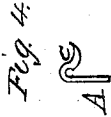
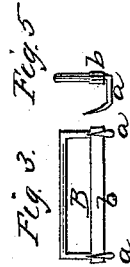
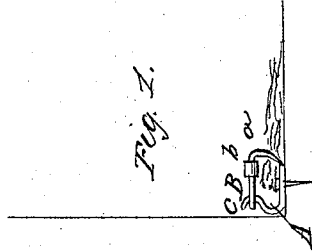


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SECURING CARPETS TO FLOORS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ENOCH JACKMAN, of Portland, in the county of Middlesex and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Apparatus for Securing Carpets to Floors; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification.

Figure I, represents the apparatus in use; A being the catch fastened permanently to the floor by nails or screws, with the upright part thereof recurved toward the base-board to receive the loop; B the loop with its hooks *a*, and supporting bar *b*, passing over the curve *c* of the catch A. Fig. II represents a front view of the catch A with its curve *c*. Fig. III, is a front view of the loop B with its hooks *a* and supporting bar *b*. Fig. IV is a side view of the catch with its curve. Fig. V is a side view of a section of the loop with the hooks and supporting bar.

The catch is made of one piece of any suitable sheet metal bent to the proper form for receiving the loop with holes in the part resting on the floor to receive nails or screws; or, if preferable, the catch may be of strong wire bent to the proper form, and, in that case, the lower end of the wire itself may be inserted into the floor.

The loop with its hooks is made of one piece of any suitable wire bent to the

proper form, and the bar is made of similar wire applied to the arms as a supporter; or, if the wire is sufficiently strong, the bar may be dispensed with.

To use the apparatus: Arrange the catches and fasten them permanently to the floor around the room next to the baseboard at suitable intervals, leaving sufficient space between the board and the curve to receive the loop; then insert the hooks of the loop into the edge of the carpet so that it may be drawn thereby firmly to the sides of the room, and pass the loop over the curve. This secures the carpet so that it may be taken up or put down at pleasure without drawing or driving nails, or tacks.

If the carpet is too small for the room, it is obvious that a similar arrangement of the catches may be made around the sides of the carpet, taking care to construct them of such size and shape as not to interfere with the convenience of the inmates in passing over the floor.

What I claim as my invention, and wish to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The hook, hooks or claws on the loop, by which said apparatus, as set forth, may be attached to when fastening carpets to floors, or detached from when taking them up, at pleasure.

Middletown, Connecticut, May 10th 1854.
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In presence of—

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