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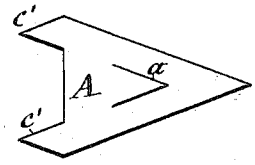


FIG-I-

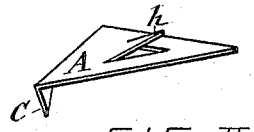


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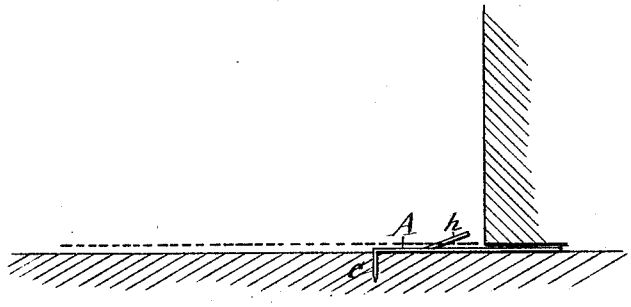


FIG-III-

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES DENTON, of Amsterdam, in the county of Montgomery, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Carpet-Fasteners, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention consists in a novel, simple, inexpensive, and convenient device for fastening carpets on floors, as hereinafter more fully described, and specifically set forth in the claim.

The invention is fully illustrated in the annexed drawings, wherein Figure I is a plan view of the blank from which my improved carpet-fastener is formed. Fig. II is a perspective view of the carpet-fastener complete. Fig. III illustrates its application for use.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A represents a metal plate of any suitable shape, though preferably of triangular form to economize in material, said plate being provided on one of its edges with spurs or prongs C, standing at an angle from the plane of the plate. The central portion of the plate is provided with a hook, *h*, which stands from the plane of the plate in opposite direction from the aforesaid spurs, and points toward the corner of the plate opposite the edge which carries the spurs *c c*.

This device I manufacture, in a simple, expeditious, and inexpensive manner, by stamping out of sheet metal a blank having on one edge extensions *c' c'*, of the form of the spurs *c c*, and in the central portion of said blank I make a V-shaped incision, *a*, having its apex toward the corner of the plate opposite the edge which has the extensions *c'*, as shown in Fig. I of the drawings. The extensions *c' c'* are subsequently bent in one direction at right angles to the plane of the blank to form the spurs *c c*, and the free end of the V-shaped portion formed by the incision *a* is bent or struck up from the plane of the blank in an opposite direction from the spurs *c c*, and forms the hook *h*.

In applying the described device to use, the corner of the plate opposite to the edge which has the spurs *c c* is inserted under the bottom edge of the mop-board, and then the spurs *c c* are driven into the floor, thus firmly securing the plate A in its position. A series of said plates being in this manner arranged around the floor, the carpet is attached thereto by slipping the edge of the carpet over the hook *h*, as shown by dotted lines in Fig. III of the drawings.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new is—

A carpet-fastener consisting of a metal plate having one end adapted to pass under the base-board, the opposite end provided with downward-projecting spurs or prongs, and the center provided with an upward-projecting hook, substantially as described and shown.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my seal, in the presence of two attesting witnesses, at Amsterdam, in the county of Montgomery, in the State of New York, this 14th day of March, 1884.

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