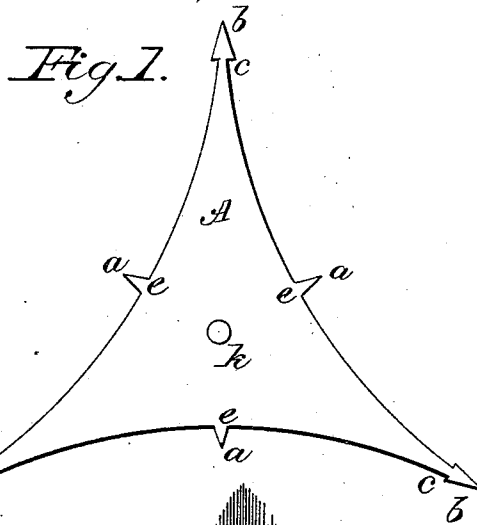
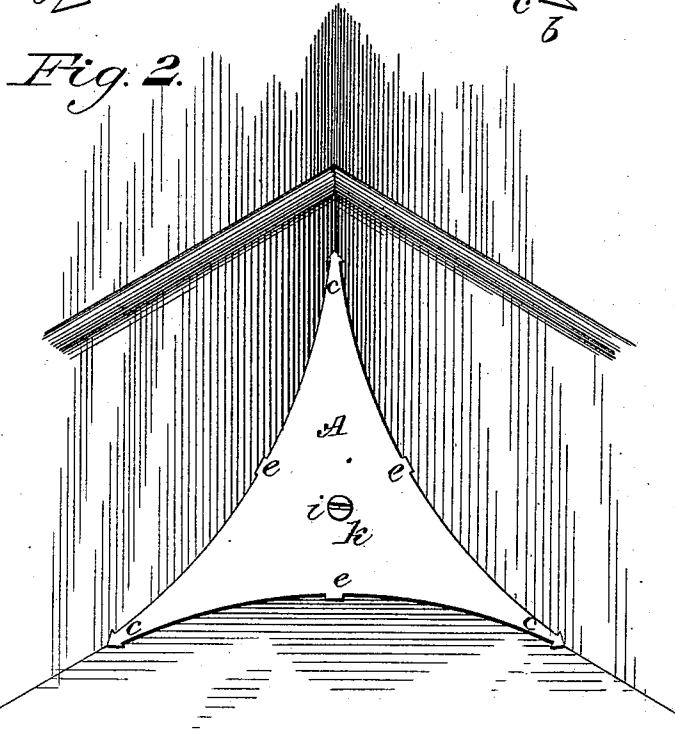


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HOWARD WHITE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lansdowne, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corner-Shields, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to shields for use in corners, on stair-steps, and in other places, to prevent the accumulation of dust and dirt, to aid in cleansing, and at the same time to serve as an ornamental finish. I attain these objects in the manner illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure I is a view of the shield as it is stamped from a sheet of brass or other suitable material, and Fig. II represents the shield after it has been placed in position for use.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

A is a thin plate of brass or other material, triangular in shape with curved edges, which is firmly secured in a corner by the following means: First, by points *d d*, projecting from the edges of the plate A. These, when the shield is pressed into a corner, enter the surrounding wood in such a manner as to secure the shield in position and prevent the edges from springing away from the adjacent wood and admitting dirt back of it. Secondly, by the arrow-headed points *b c* to the three arms of the triangular plate A. These are forced into the wood in the three angles, meeting at the corner, and in so doing the barb or offset at *c* is buried beneath the surface of the wooden planes forming the corner, and the

points are thus prevented from working loose, which they would otherwise do when there was an opening at the joints, through shrinkage or other causes; and, thirdly, by the screw *i*, by means of which, through a hole, *g*, punched in the center of the triangular plate A, of hard elastic metal, the plate is drawn closely into a corner.

The three arms of the shield A have first been curved forward, so that when placed in a corner for adjustment the convex side of the plate through which the screw is inserted will face outward. As the screw which enters the wood at the point where the three plane surfaces form the corner is driven home, the convexity of the plate is reversed at the same time its points are buried in the adjacent wood.

I am aware that prior to my invention triangular-shaped plates of metal have been made and used for corner-shields. I therefore do not claim such a combination, broadly; but

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

1. A triangular-shaped corner-shield with barbed or arrow-headed points, substantially as shown, for the purpose specified.

2. In a corner-shield consisting of a triangular plate of metal, the combination of points projecting from the edges, with barbed or arrow-headed points at its vertices and a screw-hole in its center, all substantially as set forth.

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