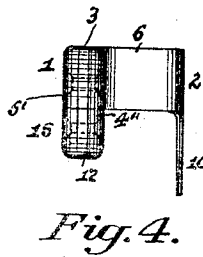
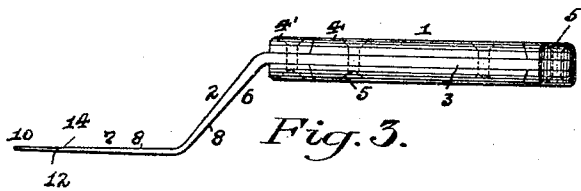
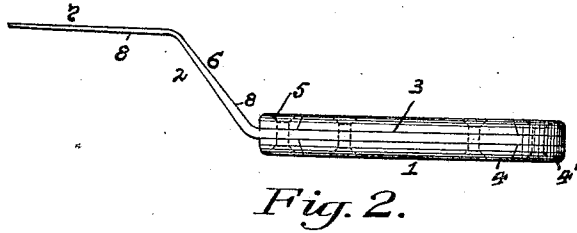
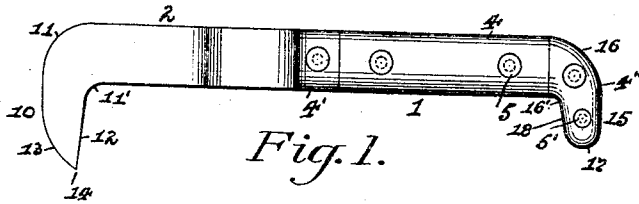


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR H. FESEMYER, a resident of Donora, in the county of Washington and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Knives for Cutting Oil-Cloth, &c.; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to knives and has special reference to knives for the cutting of oil-cloth, linoleum, leather, paste-board and other like or similar material.

The object of my invention is to form a cheap, simple and efficient knife for the cutting of oil-cloth, linoleum and other such material, which can be easily and quickly manufactured, will enable the easy and convenient cutting of such material, and can be easily and comfortably handled when in use, so as to greatly facilitate the work for which it is designed therefor.

My invention consists, generally stated, in the novel arrangement, construction and combination of parts, as hereinafter more specifically set forth and described and particularly pointed out in the claims.

To enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to construct and use my improved knife, I will describe the same more fully, referring to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 shows a side view of my improved knife. Fig. 2 is a top view of the same. Fig. 3 is a bottom view thereof. Fig. 4 is a rear end view of the same.

Like symbols of reference herein indicate like parts in each of the figures of the drawing.

As illustrated in the drawing, 1 represents the handle portion of my improved knife, and 2 the blade portion having the shank portion 3 thereon, which is secured between wooden side pieces 4 and front end pieces 4' for forming said handle portion by means of the rivets 5. The blade portion 2 is offset from the front end of the shank portion 3 and at one side of said shank portion to form the angular or inclined portion 6 and the straight portion 7 extending forward therefrom. The angular portion 6 and straight portion 7 of the blade 2 are in the same plane as the shank portion 3 on said blade and are tapered from said shank and handle portion 1, as at 8, to the end of said

straight portion. Extending down from the end of the straight portion 7 of the blade 2 is the cutting portion 10, which is connected to said straight portion by the rounded or curved outer and inner corners 11 and 11' respectively, and is substantially at a right angle to said straight portion. The inner portion or face of the cutting portion 10 is provided with a cutting edge 12 thereon, which is formed on an outward incline from the under edge of the straight portion 7, and the outer edge or face of said cutting portion is curved inwardly to the end of said cutting edge, as at 13, to form the point 14.

Extending down from the rear end of the shank 3 and beyond the handle portion 1 is the projecting or bearing portion 15, which is in line with said shank and handle and at substantially a right angle thereto. This bearing portion 15 has the wooden side pieces 4'' on each side of the same and extending from the handle pieces 4, which are secured together and through said portion 15, by means of the rivets 5', and such bearing portion is connected to said handle portion by the rounded or curved outer and inner corners 16 and 16' respectively. The end of the bearing portion 15 is rounded or curved, as at 17, and the inner face of the same is formed on an outward incline from the under face of the handle portion 1 to said curved end 17, as at 18.

The use and operation of my improved knife for cutting oil-cloth, linoleum, etc., is as follows: When used in cutting oil-cloth or linoleum which is to be fitted to a floor and it is desired to trim or cut off the edges of the same adjacent to the room wall, it will be evident that a person holding the knife can hold the same for the desired cutting or trimming of the cloth or linoleum to make the proper fitting to said wall, through the grasping of the handle portion 1 of the knife, which will throw the cutting point 14 on the cutting portion 10 toward the wall and by reason of the blade portion 2 carrying said point being set to one side of said handle portion. This offsetting of the blade portion 2 from the handle portion 1 will enable the person using the knife to get close to the wall for the drawing operation in the cutting of the cloth or linoleum to make the proper fitting and at the

same time will protect the hand by keeping it away from the wall or floor, so that a nice, straight and even cut can be made, and also in cutting the same to a straight line the line of cutting will always be in sight. 5 The projecting end portion 15 on the knife is to prevent the hand from slipping off the handle portion, and will enable a pulling action to be exerted on the knife to greatly assist in easing the cutting operation. 10

It will be obvious that my improved knife is specially adapted for use in the cutting of oil-cloth or linoleum along quarter, round, straight or other forms of walls for the proper fitting of said cloth or linoleum to the floor and to such walls, and can be used for the cutting of these materials and other materials for the fitting of the same to other places, or for any other purpose desired. 15

Various modifications and changes in the design and shape of my improved knife may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages. 20

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is— 25

1. An oil cloth knife having a handle portion, and a blade portion offset laterally where it emerges from one end of said handle portion and provided with a depending cutting portion lying in the same plane as the portion extending from the offset portion. 30

2. An oil cloth knife having a handle portion, a blade portion offset laterally where it emerges from one end of said handle portion and provided with a depending cutting portion lying in the same plane as the portion extending from the offset portion, and a downwardly extending portion at the other end of said handle portion. 35 40

In testimony whereof, I, the said ARTHUR H. FESEMYER, have hereunto set my hand.

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