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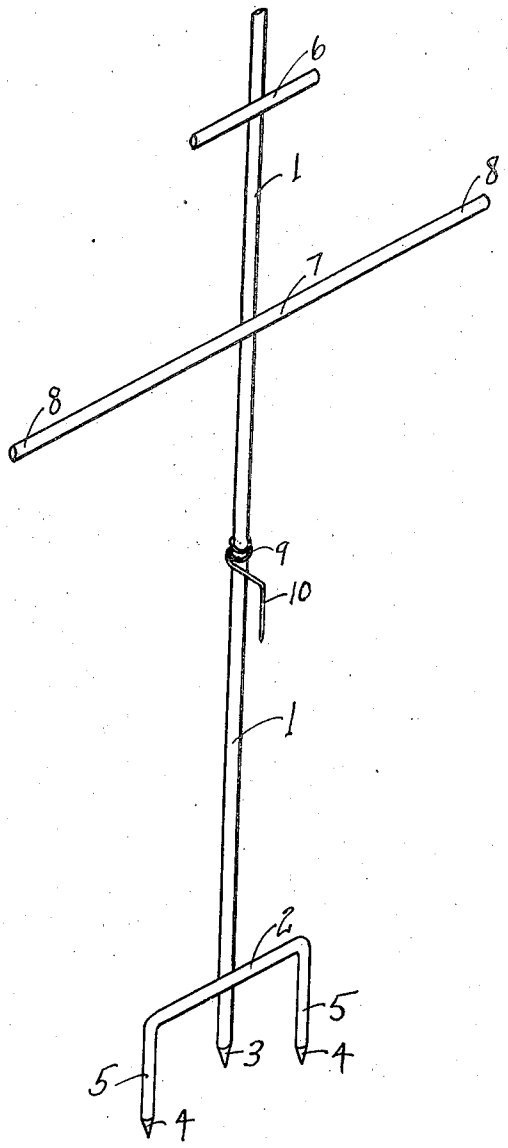


FIG 1

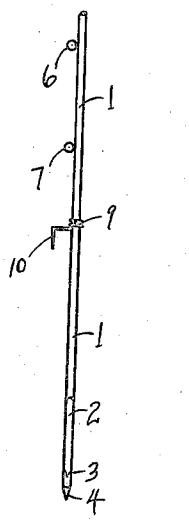


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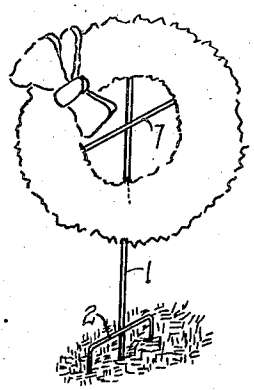


FIG 3

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This invention relates to easels.

The principal object of this invention is the provision of an easel suitable for supporting a wreath to be placed on graves.

A further object of this invention is the provision of an easel having a multiple base section that may be easily forced into the ground.

A further object is the provision of a pair of holding arms for the attachment of the wreath.

A still further object is the provision of a slidable clip placed upon the main body member of the easel for securing the lower section of the wreath to the easel.

The easel shown and described herein is an improvement over that shown and described in our Patent No. 1,958,716, issued May 15, 1934, in which an easel of somewhat similar construction is shown. The easel shown and described herein represents a further development in this line, primarily in the provision for attaching the wreath to the easel.

We are aware that other easels have been constructed to be used in cemeteries, and find that the chief objection to other easels is the inability to place them securely in the ground and the difficulty experienced in attaching the wreath thereto once the easel has been placed in position.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, can be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the easel.

Figure 2 is a side elevation of the easel.

Figure 3 is a view of the easel set in position in the ground and having a wreath positioned thereon.

By referring to the drawing it will be seen that the easel comprises an upright body member 1 which is provided at its lower extremity with an inverted U-shaped base member 2. The lower end 3 of the body member 1 and the lower ends 4 of the base member 2 are tapered to provide easier insertion into the ground. It will be seen that the down-turned ends 5 of the base member 2 are of slightly greater length than the lower end 3 of the body member 1 and are adapted to be started into the ground before the lower end 3 of the body member.

Positioned near the upper end of the body member 1 there is a relatively short holding arm 6 which functions with the upper end of the body member 1 which is adapted to be inserted into the body of the wreath so that the relatively short holding arm 6 supports the wreath securely and in such manner that it is impossible for the wreath to slide downwardly upon the body member. Positioned on the body member 1 and spaced at an appropriate distance below the relatively short holding arm 6 there is a relatively long holding arm 7, the ends 8 of which are adapted to support the sides of the wreath which, when in position, will rest across the front surface of the relatively long holding arm 7. Positioned upon the body member 1 there is a slidable clip, the circular portion 9 of which surrounds the body member 1 and holds at right angles thereto a clip portion 10. The clip portion 10 is adapted to be placed over the lower section of the wreath and to be pushed downwardly so that it holds the wreath securely. It will be obvious that when the center portion of the top of the wreath has been placed upon the upper end of the body member 1, and the side portions of the wreath allowed to lie across the front surface of the relatively long holding arm 7, the bottom portion of the wreath will not be in close relation to the body portion 1, and that upon placing the slidable clip over the lower portion of the wreath, the resultant action will be to pull the lower portion of the wreath inwardly thus holding the wreath securely to the easel due to the tension created by slightly bending the wreath.

In Figure 3 of the drawing a wreath is shown positioned upon the easel and the easel positioned in the ground. It will be obvious that the easel may be placed in the ground very readily by merely pushing the lower portions thereof with the foot. The various portions of the easel are designed to be spot welded together, but the easel may be assembled by any other practical means.

What we claim is:

1. In an easel for supporting a cemetery wreath, an upright body member, a base on said body member comprising an inverted U-shaped section of material, pointed ends on the said inverted U-shaped section and a pointed end on the lower portion of said body member, a relatively short holding arm positioned crosswise near the top of the said upright body member and a relatively long holding arm positioned crosswise on said body member at an appropriate distance below the said short holding arm, said

holding arms together with the top portion of said body member adapted to hold a wreath thereon, and a clip slidably positioned on the body member and adapted to hold the bottom portion of the wreath, firmly against the said body member and under a slight tension due to the slight bending of the wreath itself as it bows across the said relatively long-holding arm.

2. An easel for cemetery wreaths comprising an upright body member, an inverted U-shaped base positioned near the bottom of said member, pointed ends on said U-shaped base and on the bottom of said body member, for the purpose of providing a convenient means of inserting the easel in the ground, a short holding arm positioned near the top of the upright body member and functioning with the same in holding a wreath, a relatively longer holding arm positioned on said body member below said short arm, and a clip slidably positioned on the said body member and adapted to hold the bottom portion of the wreath in close relation to the body member, firmly and under slight tension due to the bowing of the wreath across the said relatively longer holding arm.

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