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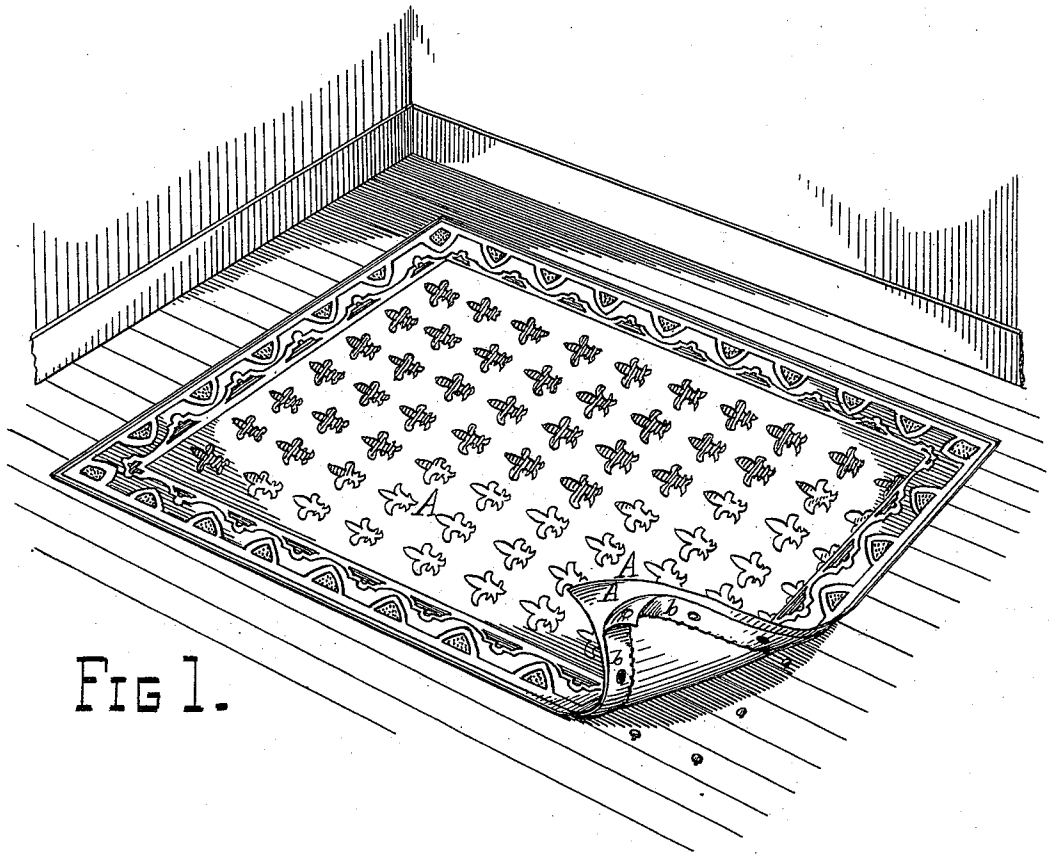


FIG 1.

FIG 2.

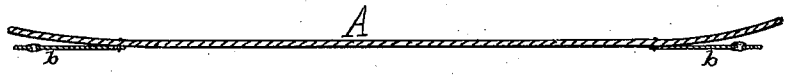
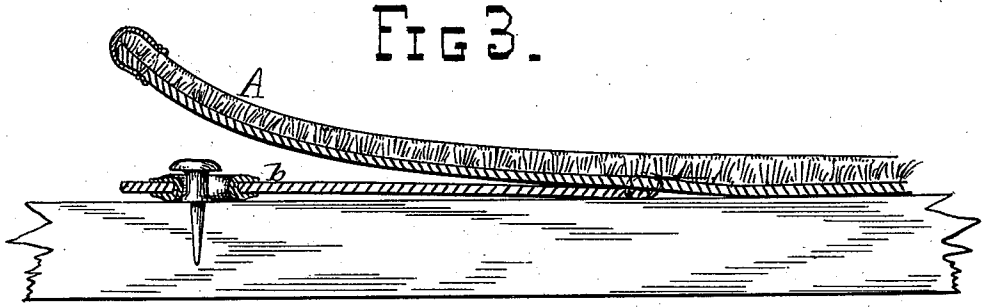


FIG 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PERCY BEAMISH, of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented an Improvement in Carpets and Rugs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

The object of my invention is to provide carpets, rugs, and floor-cloths with a double selvage or edge, so that in securing the carpet, rug, or cloth upon a floor the device used for stretching and holding it in place on the floor will pass through the under edge or selvage and allow the upper edge, which is in fact the edge of the main carpet, to lie upon it and conceal the fastening devices used to fasten the carpet to the floor.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a floor with a carpet laid on it, one edge of the carpet being turned up to show the two edges. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the carpet, showing the double edges on opposite sides; and Fig. 3 is a broken view showing a single edge of the carpet.

A may represent a carpet, rug, or other cloth which is to be secured upon a floor or other surface. This carpet, rug, or cloth I either manufacture with a supplemental or false edge *b* on the under side of the main edge of the carpet, or I stitch a strip of suitable material to the carpet or rug, so as to form the strip or false edge *b* below its edges, as represented. This strip may be of any desired width, and it should be attached to the under side of the carpet or rug at a short distance from its edge, so that its point of attachment will be parallel with the edge of the carpet. This is necessary in order that when the carpet or rug is stretched and fastened by its lower edge or strip the upper surface of the carpet or rug will be even and smooth above it. This supplemental strip does not extend entirely out to the edge of the carpet or rug, but stops short, so that the upper edge, or edge of the main carpet, will extend over and conceal it when the carpet is laid.

In laying the carpet or rug I stretch it by applying the stretching force to the under edge or strip *b*, and I secure it in place by means of nails, screws, or other device applied through the strip *b*, so that the real edge of the carpet A is generally unattached. The outer edge of the carpet may be attached to the outer edge of the supplemental or under strip, and the under strip may then be fastened to the floor by means of tacks, screws, clasps, or other convenient means. If desired, I can then secure the upper or main edge of the carpet to the lower strip *b* by means of mucilage or other adhesive material, so that the edges of the carpet are held down closely to the floor and prevented from being kicked or turned up. By this means I stretch and fasten the carpet or rug without disfiguring its edge, and I completely conceal the nails or other device used to secure the carpet to the floor.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a carpet or rug formed or provided on its under side and extending entirely around the same, with a flap, the outer edge thereof terminating at a point slightly removed from the edge of the carpet, said flap being provided with a series of eyelets for the reception of nails or tacks, whereby the flap may be secured to the flooring, substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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