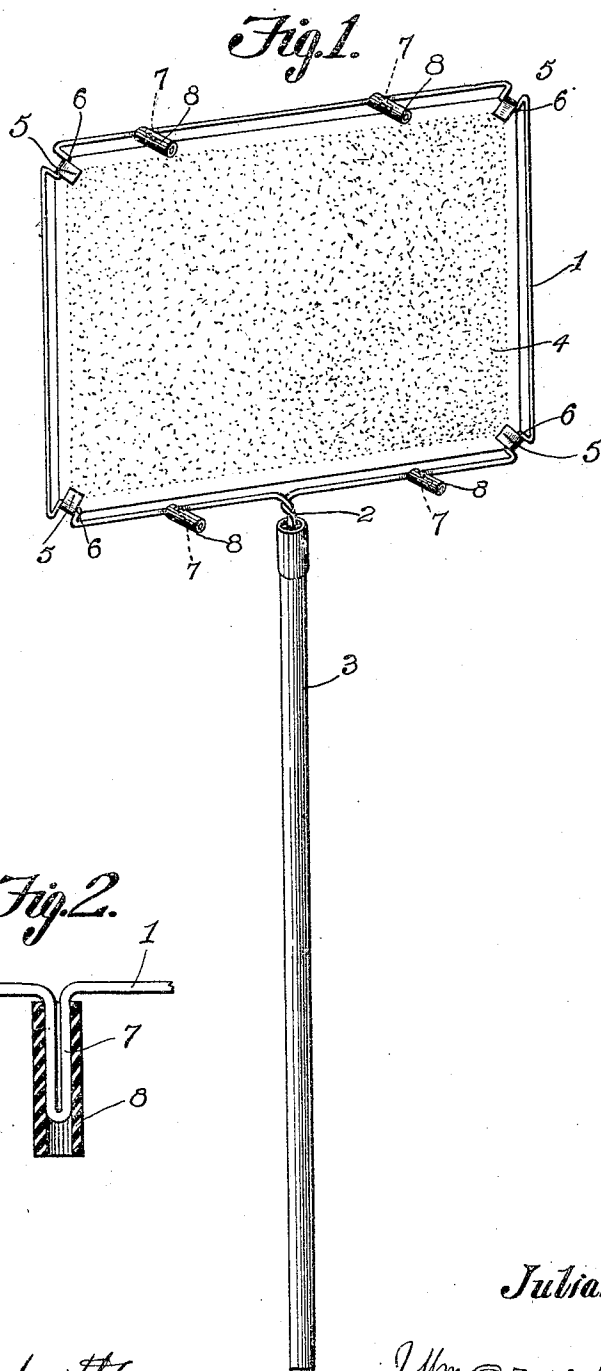


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIAN B. LUCKETT, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis city and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Catching Flies or other Insects; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to devices for catching flies or other insects.

An object thereof is to provide a device of this character whereby insects may be caught while in the air or on flat surfaces.

Another object of this invention is the provision of an insect catcher comprising a frame and sheet of adhesive material secured thereto, the frame being so constructed that the sheet of material will be held in spaced relation from any flat surface against which the device is applied.

With these and other objects in view, this invention resides in the novel features of construction, formations, combinations and arrangements of parts to be hereinafter more fully described, claimed and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention, and Fig. 2 is a detailed sectional view illustrating the method in bending the frame to form the feet.

Referring to the drawings by characters of reference, the numeral 1 designates a wire frame, substantially rectangular in form, having its ends twisted, as at 2, for engagement with a handle 3. A sheet of flexible adhesive material, such as paper or fabric, 4, is secured to the frame, and is provided with extensions 5 on the corners thereof, which are adapted to be bent over the inwardly extending corners 6 of the frame and secured to the sheet, thereby holding the sheet of material securely on the frame. Projections or feet 7 are formed on the frame by bending a portion of the wire downwardly and back upon itself, and flexible tubes 8 are mounted on these feet, which are slightly longer than the same.

This invention may be used either as a fan, or may be struck against flat objects upon which flies or other insects are resting, and the said flies or the like will be caught

by the adhesive material on the sheet. When the device is struck against a flat object, such as a table, screen or the like, the feet 7 serve to hold the frame in spaced relation above the object against which it is struck, so that the adhesive material will not come in contact with the said object; and the tubular, flexible members on the feet 7 prevent them from scratching the object, but at the same time it is close enough thereto to cause the insects to adhere to the sheet. When the sheet 4 has been covered with insects, it may be removed, and a new one placed on the said frame.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. An insect catcher comprising a rectangular wire frame, said frame having inbent corners thereon, a sheet of flexible adhesive material, extensions formed on the corners of said sheet whereby the sheet may be secured to the inbent corners of the frame, said extensions being the same width as the inbent corners thereby preventing movement of the sheet on the frame.

2. An insect catcher comprising a rectangular wire frame, said frame having inbent corners thereon, a sheet of flexible adhesive material, extensions formed on the corners of said sheet whereby the sheet may be secured to the inbent corners of the frame, feet formed on the frame and flexible tubular members mounted on said feet.

3. In a device for catching flies or other insects comprising a rectangular wire frame, a sheet of adhesive material mounted thereon, feet formed on said frame, and flexible tubular members mounted on said feet, said tubular members being slightly longer than the said feet, as and for the purposes set forth.

4. An insect catcher comprising a rectangular wire frame, said frame having inbent corners thereon, a sheet of flexible adhesive material, and means carried by the said sheet for securing it to the said inbent corners of the frame.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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