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Fig. 1

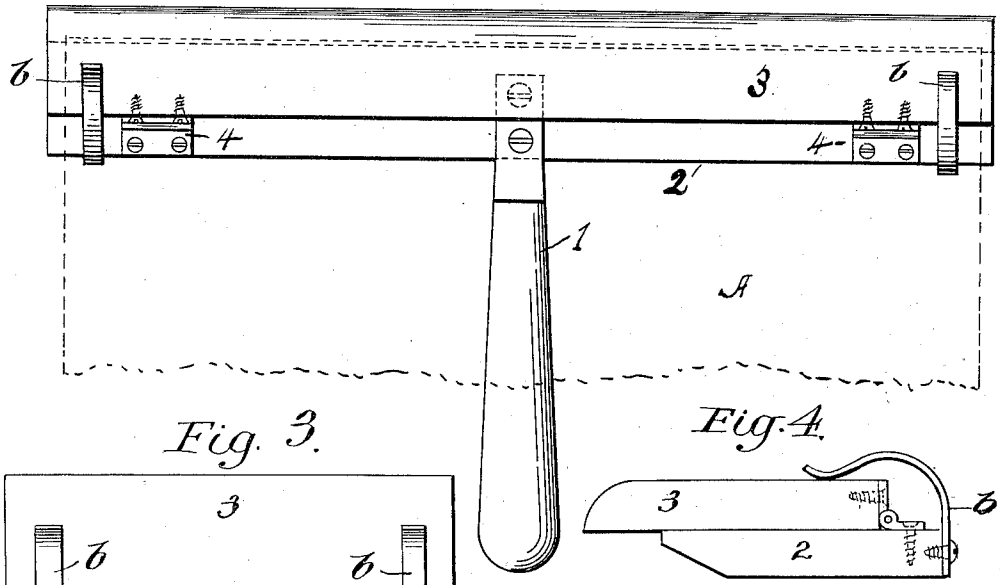


Fig. 3.

Fig. 4.

Fig. 2

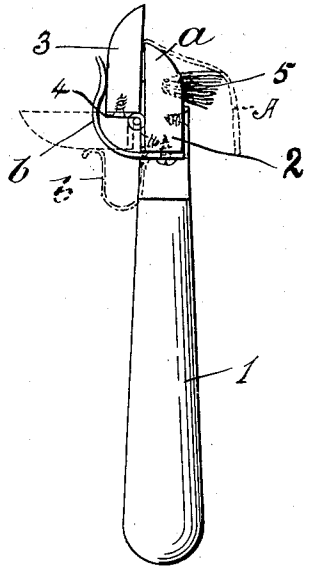
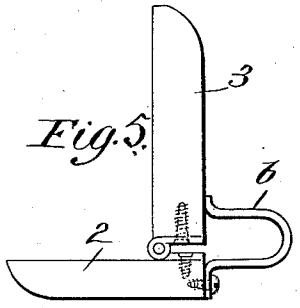


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS CARTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Applying Wall-Paper; 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 pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 indicates a front elevation of my improved wall-paper applier. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are detail views of my device, showing the blade-springs applied thereto.

My invention relates to devices to grasp the upper end of wall-paper preparatory to applying the same upon walls.

To those who have attempted to apply wall-paper by grasping the same at the upper edge, the difficulty of doing so without tearing the paper will be appreciated. My device is adapted to entirely avoid this danger, and its use enables the least skilful to apply paper readily.

To this purpose my invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter specifically set forth, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof.

Referring to said drawings, 1 is a handle of any desirable length, adapted to be secured to the blade or bar 2, the outer edge of which, as shown in the drawings, is curved or beveled, as at *a*. A similar blade or bar 3 is connected to the rear end of said blade 2 by hinges 4 and is maintained in contact for the purpose of holding the paper by the pressure of the springs *b b*, the inner ends of which are secured to blade 2, the outer ends resting upon and forcing blade 3 in contact with said blade 2. Said blade 3 projects a considerable distance beyond the outer edge of said blade 2, as shown, for the purpose of enabling the paper A grasped between said blades being readily released by pressing inwardly upon the edge of the blade 3. Said blade 2 is also provided with the brush 5 for the purpose of pressing and smoothing the paper against the wall.

The operation of my device is obvious.

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

A device for applying wall-paper comprising a handle, a blade, secured fixedly thereto, a coöperating blade hinged to the fixed blade and projecting beyond the edge thereof, and springs secured to the blades and adapted to hold them normally in contact, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I hereunto affix my signature this 21st day of April, A. D. 1897.

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