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ADJUSTABLE PICTURE FRAME HANGER.

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Fig 1.

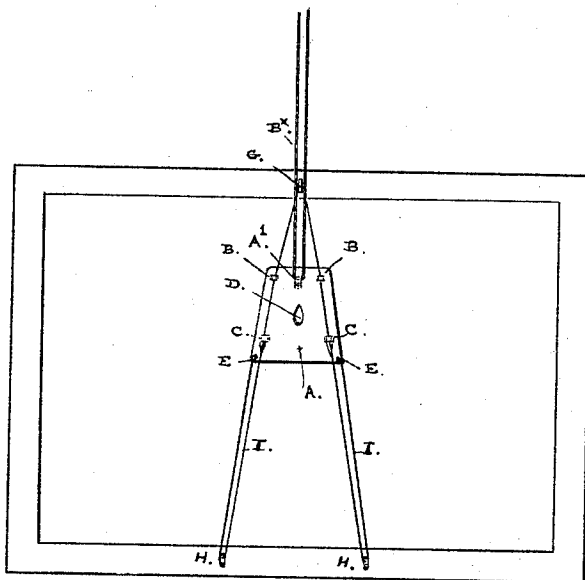


Fig 2.

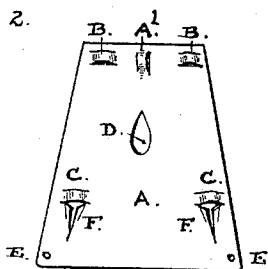
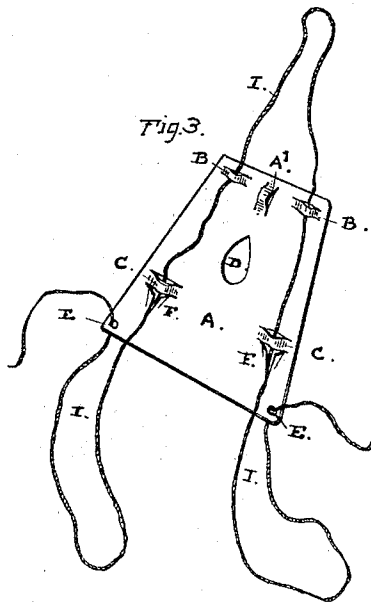


Fig 3.



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ADJUSTABLE PICTURE-FRAME HANGER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIE C. KEITHLY, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Picture-Frame Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to devices for hanging and adjusting picture-frames and mirrors at various angles on the walls; and it consists in the construction and combination of parts hereinafter described, producing an improved device for attaching picture-frames to cords and adjusting the angle of the picture against the wall.

The following description explains the construction and use of the device, the accompanying drawings being referred to by letters.

Figure 1 represents the device attached to the frame. Fig. 2 is a front view, and Fig. 3 a perspective view, of the device detached from the frame.

The plate A is best made of sheet metal. It can be cut to any ornamental shape. At the upper part, near the top, are two loops B B, which are formed by cutting parallel slits through the plate and then bending out the metal between the slits, and at points below these loops two similar loops C C are formed in the same manner by cutting the metal and bending it out. At the lower corners of the plate are punched holes E E, and on the middle line of the plate an opening D is cut just above the middle. Directly above this opening on the same middle line a loop A' is formed by cutting and bending out the substance of the plate.

To attach the plate to a picture-frame, three screw-eyes are fixed in the frame at the points G H H, Fig. 1, the top screw-eye being placed on the vertical center line and the bottom ones at points equidistant from the center lines and about one-third of the distance from the end. A cord or wire I is doubled upon itself, and the ends are passed from the top

of the plate through the loops B and C and the wedge-shape slits between the jaws F, which are formed by cutting T-shaped slits and bending out the metal. The ends of the wire extending below the plate are then attached to the screw-eyes at the bottom of the frame. The bight of the wire above the plate is fastened to the screw-eye G at top by passing it through the eye and taking a turn around or over it, after which the ends of the wire are brought down through the eyes H H and then turned upward to the outer corners of the plate at the bottom, where they are finally passed through the holes E in the plate and tied. Now, as thus attached to the frame the plate can be shifted up or down by loosening the wire in the gripping-jaws and then pressing it back again into the jaws after the adjustment. In such manner the point of suspension can be set higher or lower to regulate the pitch or angle of the picture against the wall.

If the picture is to be hung at a distance below a nail or cornice-hook, a picture-cord is run through the middle loop at the top of the plate. The opening D in the center of the plate is provided for hanging the plate directly upon a nail.

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

1. A plate for hanging picture-frames, having loops B B and C C, adapted to receive an adjusting-cord and having means for clamping and holding the said cord in the loops, as set forth.

2. The plate A, having eyes or loops B B C C, the clamping-jaws F F, as described, and an eye or loop for suspending the plate from a picture-nail, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

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