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PICTURE FRAME.

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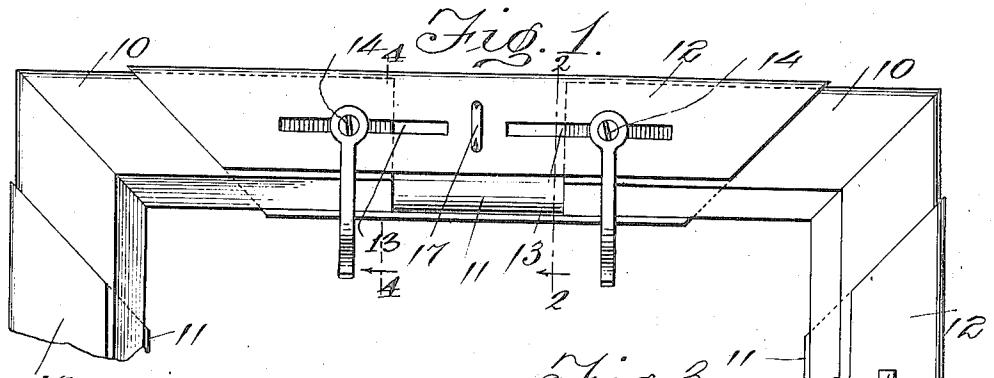


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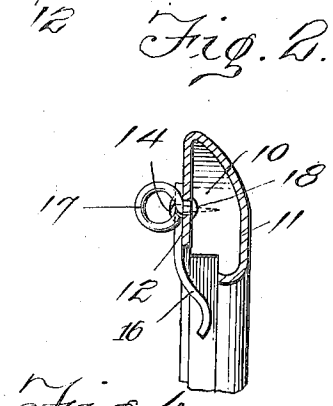
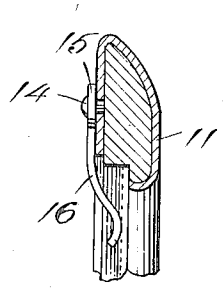


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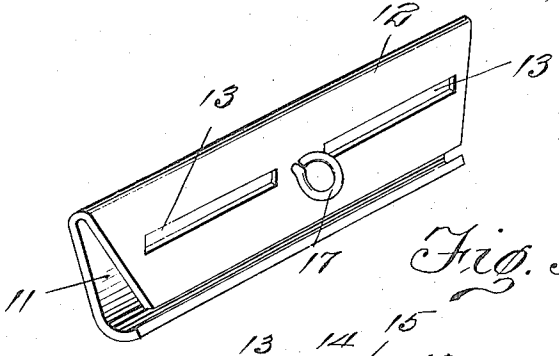


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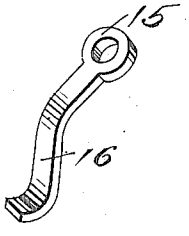


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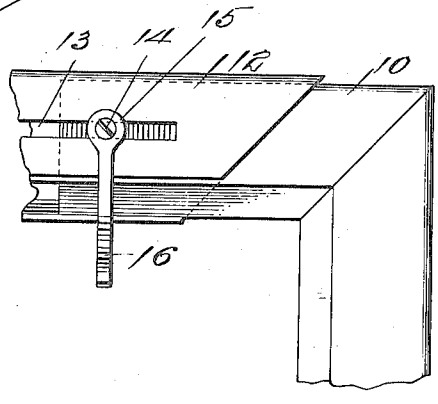


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE M. SCHLEICHER, a subject of the Emperor of Germany, residing at Burlington, in the county of Des Moines and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Picture-Frames, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved picture frame and the principal object of the invention is to provide a picture frame which will be adjustable so as to accommodate itself to various size pictures and to also provide improved means for preventing the sections of the frame from coming entirely apart and to further provide improved means for holding the picture within the frame and for holding the frame in an adjusted position. A frame so constructed as to accomplish these and other objects is shown in the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a rear elevation showing the upper portion of a frame constructed in accordance with this invention. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken along the line 2—2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one of the baffle plates connecting the corner sections of the frame. Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken along the line 4—4 of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a view similar to Fig. 1 showing the frame section in an adjusted position. Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the picture engaging clamp or tongue.

The corner pieces 10 of the frame are shown constructed of wood or some other solid substance but they may be formed of sheet metal if desired according to the wishes of the person constructing the frame. These corner pieces are connected by plates 11 formed of sheet metal and having their rear walls 12 provided with longitudinally extending slots 13 through which the lugs 14 pass to prevent the corner pieces from being entirely disconnected from the plates. These lugs 14 are preferably screws which are passed through the eyes 15 of the spring tongues or clamps 16 serving to hold the picture in engagement with the frame. The plates will tightly engage the corner pieces and therefore the frame will be held in an adjusted position by frictional engagement between the corner pieces and the plates as well as by the screws which will be tightened after the frame has been adjusted to create the binding action.

In order to suspend the picture there is provided an eye 17 held in engagement with the upper baffle 11 by having its inner end formed into a head 18. It is of course understood that if desired any other suitable form of means for suspending the picture could be provided.

What is claimed is:—

A picture frame comprising corner sections, connecting plates having sliding engagement with said corner sections and provided with longitudinally extending slots, pins carried by said corner sections extending through said slots to limit the sliding movement of said connecting plates and said corner sections, and resilient gripping fingers carried by said pins and extending across said sections to engage and hold a picture within the frame.

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

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