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MATS FOR PICTURES AND SHOW CARDS.

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Fig. 1.

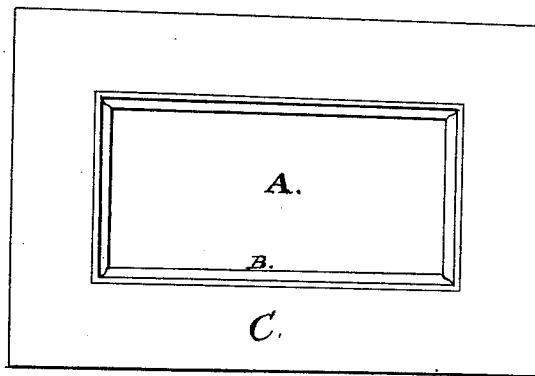
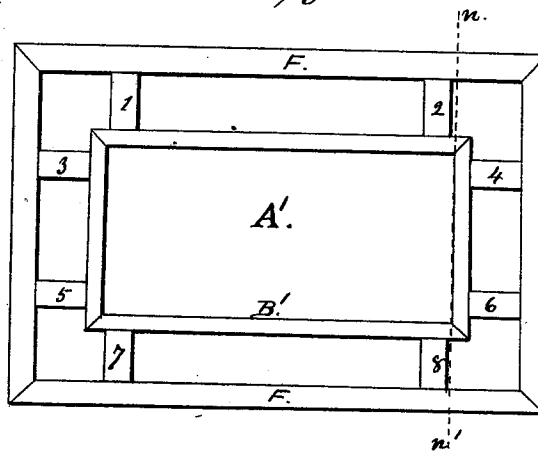


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN MATS FOR PICTURES AND SHOW-CARDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWIN A. GALINDO, of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain novel and useful Improvements in the Mode of Constructing Skeleton Mats for Pictures, &c.; and I hereby declare in what manner the same is to be constructed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are lettered to correspond with and form a part of the specification.

To enable those skilled in the mechanic art of framing and backing pictures and the public to understand the nature of my said invention, I will describe it as follows, to wit:

Figure 1 represents a plan of the face of my improved mat A, showing the plastic or other beading or molding B; also, showing the paper C, or other covering of my skeleton frame or mat. Fig. 2 is the reversed or bottom side of my improved mat A', showing the several bottom parts of the skeleton frame, viz., the molding or beading B', the outer frame F, separated from the internal frame or molding B', by means of any suitable number of braces, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8, provided with tongues at each end thereof, to fit into the longitudinal grooves in the vertical internal edges of the frames B' and F, as shown in the sectional drawings, Figs. 3, which are sections of Fig. 2 at *n n'*. A surface covering, C, is secured to the skeleton frames F and B, by means of glue or any other adhesive substances.

The above improved skeleton mat, over the ordinary paper or book-binder's board, and other solid mats now in common use, is of great advantage to the picture-frame makers and mounters, inasmuch as the strip of beading or molding B may be prepared with plastic coating or otherwise, and kept in the long strips as stock, to be cut up at pleasure in any of the desired lengths, I think, with less labor, time, and gilding material, as well as occupying less amount of room than in any other shape. Therefore, the novelty of my invention consists in the manufacture of a skeleton mat composed of the different parts all arranged in the manner set forth. Therefore,

What I claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, a mat for pictures and show-cards, consisting of an outer frame, F, and inner frame B, separated by means of any suitable number of tongued braces, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8, operating in longitudinal grooves in the inner edges of the frames B' and F, in combination with any suitable covering C, all constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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