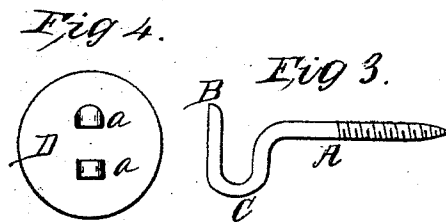
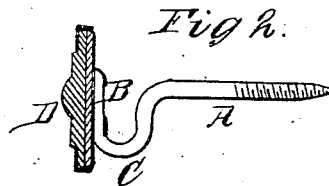
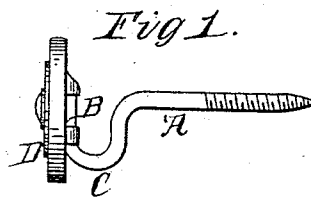


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IMPROVEMENT IN PICTURE-NAILS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, B. H. BRADLEY, of Waterbury, in the county of New Haven, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Picture-Nails; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, a side view;

Figure 2, a central sectional view;

Figure 3, the hook or nail; and in

Figure 4, the knob detached.

This invention relates to an improvement in the article known to the trade as "picture-nails," that is, a nail or screw driven into the wall for the support of pictures, and for like purposes; and the invention consists in forming a head or hook upon the nail by turning the outer end at right angles to form the hook, or nearly so, and combining therewith a head constructed with a socket so as to slip on to the hooked end of the screw or nail.

To enable others to construct my improvement, I will fully describe the same, as illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

A is the nail or screw, pointed or threaded as the case may be. The outer end, I bend into a hook-shape, so as to bring the end, B, into nearly a right-angular position to the spindle A.

D, the head, is formed of any suitable material, and of any desired external form. Upon the back I form a socket, *a*, so as to hook on over the end, B, of the

nail. This is best done by punching the metal back, and forcing the metal outward, as seen in fig. 4. The socket, however, may be otherwise formed, and the object of my invention accomplished, which is to provide the nail with a hooked end, and combining therewith an ornamental head, so that if, by accident, the head should be removed, the hooked end of the nail will retain the cord, or, in other words, to take from the head the support, or any part of it, of the cord placed over the nail.

In picture-nails of common construction, if, by accident, the head is removed, there is nothing to prevent the cord slipping at once from the nail; hence the great advantage of my improvement.

By the term "picture-nail," I wish to be understood as including all means of attachment of the article to the wall.

I do not claim attaching a head to a picture-nail by means of a recess or groove upon the back of said head, to admit of the transverse insertion of the head of the nail, as such, I am aware, is not new.

Having fully described my invention,

What I claim as new and useful, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A picture-nail, having formed upon its end the hook C', and combined with the head B, constructed so as to be attached to the end, D, of the hook, substantially in the manner herein set forth.

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