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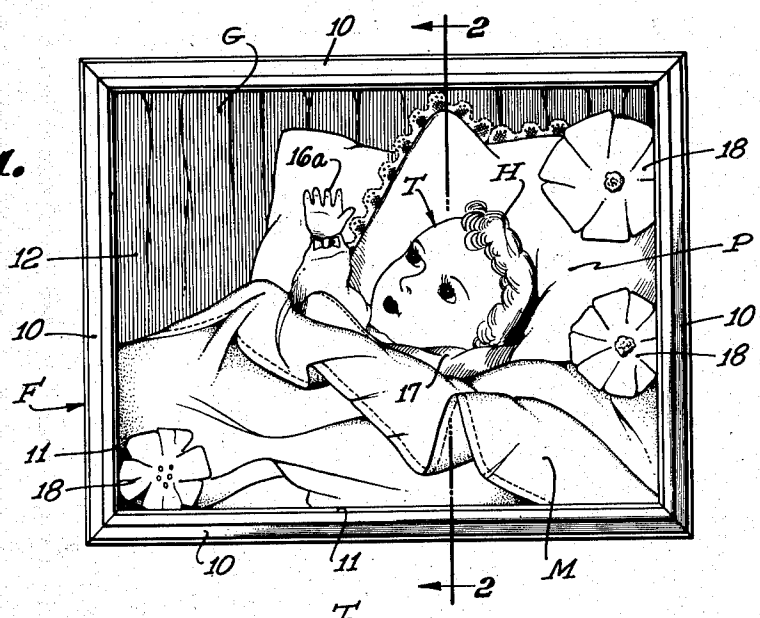
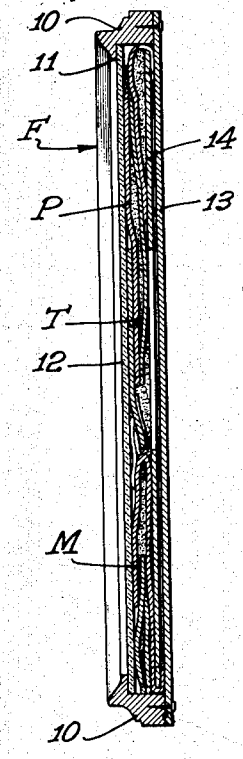


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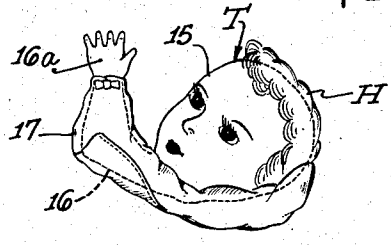


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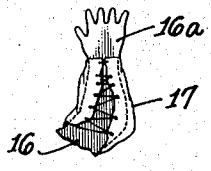
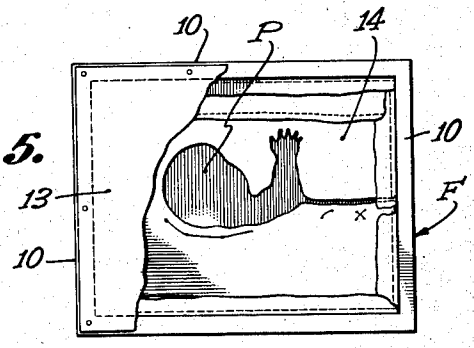


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My invention relates to ornaments of that character adapted to be hung on a wall or placed on a support, and which comprise a frame having a glass front and a mat in the back, and between which is situated a figure and fabric materials bunched and folded to form a background for the figure and cooperating therewith to produce a realistic representation of the object because of a third dimensional or stereoscopic effect achieved.

It is a purpose of my invention to provide an ornament of the above described character wherein, the object is a photograph, preferably of an infant, the head portion and preferably one of the arm portions of the paper or cardboard sheet on which the photograph is imposed, is cut from the main sheet and extended forwardly by interposing fabric material, and surrounded by other fabric material which may be quilted, padded, and gathered to give the illusion of an infant lying in a cradle or bassinet.

It is also a purpose of my invention to provide an ornament in which the photographic sheet may be utilized as a mounting for the fabric material forming the background for the object, and to which said sheet the various fabrics are stitched to hold them in fixed cooperative positions in the frame to form a fixed background for the photograph.

From the preceding purposes, it becomes manifest that the primary purpose of my invention is the production of an ornament in which the photograph of any particular infant may be utilized by framing and the use of fabric material arranged and secured to form a suitable background such as that of a cradle, and so as to cause the infant to appear realistically in that surrounding.

I will describe only one form of ornament embodying my invention, and will then point out the novel features thereof in claims.

In the accompanying drawing:

Fig. 1 is a view showing in front elevation one form of ornament embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged vertical sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a detail front view showing the head and arm portion of the photograph and how it is adapted to be dressed.

Fig. 4 is a rear view of the arm portion and the sleeve material therefor.

Fig. 5 is a rear view on a reduced scale, of the ornament, with a part of the back board or mat broken away.

Referring to the drawing in detail, my invention comprises in its present embodiment, a relatively deep frame F made up of four strips of molding 10 each with a flange 11 against which a pane of glass 12 abuts. On the back of the frame F is secured by tacking a mat or backboard 13 preferably formed of cardboard and completely closing the back of the frame.

Between the pane 12 and the mat 13 and adjacent the latter is a sheet 14 corresponding in area to the pane so as to fit within the frame F. This sheet may be of photographic paper so that the photograph of an infant T or other object may be photographically imposed thereon. Of course, it will be understood that the object may be imposed thereon also by printing. In either case the infant should appear in color to lend a more realistic appearance. In the present instance, the representation of the infant embodies only the head 15 and one of the arms 16 including the hand 16a in an upstanding pose.

To produce a stereoscopic effect, as well as to allow the proper association of fabric materials to the rear of the head 15 and about the arm, this head and arm portion of the sheet is cut from the main body of the sheet by first slitting one end of the latter, and then cutting about the edge of the head and arm portion, as will be clear from a consideration of Figs. 3 and 5. Thus, the head and arm portion is removed as an integral unit from the remainder of the sheet.

With the head and arm portion detached as described, a dress fabric 17 is arranged about the arm portion 16 to form a sleeve which is held at the back by stitching as shown in Fig. 4. By extending the head and arm portion forwardly of the sheet 14, a pillow P may be interposed between the two so that the head 15 appears to be lying on the pillow. This pillow which may be ornamented and padded as desired, is held in fixed position by stitching it not only to the main body of the sheet 14, but also to parts of the head and arm portion. Thus the pillow serves to hold the head and arm portion in fixed position and forwardly extended in relation to the main sheet. Also, the pillow in spanning the opening of the sheet formed by removing the head and arm portion, allows of a rearward flexing of the pillow directly in the rear of the head thus presenting the appearance of the head being sunk within the pillow to produce an illusion of depth and realism. The head 15 may have human hair H glued or otherwise secured to the sheet 14 to lend further realism to the picture.

As shown in Fig. 1, a quantity of fabric material M is situated at the front side of the sheet

14 between the latter and the pane 12, and covers the lower portion of the frame as well as one side thereof. This material is arranged to simulate a blanket or comfort and may be formed of soft wool, gathered or folded as desired.

Other fabric material G, preferably silk or satin, covers the remainder of the front side of the sheet 14 and is gathered or folded to represent the lining of the cradle, crib, or bassinet, while fabric pieces 18 in representation of flowers may be secured at appropriate places on the pillow and blanket or comfort for decorative purposes.

The lining material G and the blanket M are secured in position at the front side of the sheet 14 by stitching the free edges thereof at the front of the sheet 14 to each other and to the latter, and by extending the marginal edges thereof around and to the rear side of the sheet, where they are secured by stitching as shown in Fig. 5. In this manner the lining G and blanket M are at all times securely held against displacement so that the entire assembly is given permanent form.

By constructing my ornament in the manner described, it becomes apparent that a photograph of an infant can be incorporated in the ornament so as to lend surprising realism and depth to the assembly, and by using a photograph, it is rendered possible to select the photograph of any particular infant thus lending a personal phase to the ornament as a whole.

I claim:

1. An ornament of the character described, comprising a frame, a pane of glass within the front of said frame, a mat at the back of said frame and spaced from said pane, a sheet of stiff material between said pane and said mat and having an object on that side thereof facing said pane, that portion of said sheet bearing said object being extended forwardly beyond the plane of said sheet, and a pillow simulation secured to the front side of said sheet and to said object bearing portion for holding the latter in forwardly extended position as aforesaid.

2. An ornament of the character described, comprising a frame, a pane of glass within the front of said frame, a mat at the back of said frame and spaced from said pane, a sheet of stiff material between said pane and said mat and having a photograph of an infant or the like imposed thereon so as to face said pane, that portion of said sheet bearing said photograph being cut from the remainder of the sheet, and a pillow simulation secured to the front of said sheet so as to span the opening formed therein by cutting the photograph from the sheet, and so as to extend the photograph forwardly from the plane of said sheet, and thereby cause the head of the infant to appear reposing on the pillow.

3. An ornament of the character described, comprising a frame, a pane of glass within the front of said frame, a mat at the back of said frame and spaced from said pane, a sheet of stiff material between said pane and said mat and having a photograph of an infant or the like imposed thereon so as to face said pane, that portion of said sheet bearing said photograph being cut from the remainder of the sheet, and a background for said photograph appropriate for the infant made up of fabric materials a portion of which are extended to the rear of the photograph so as to project the latter forwardly and produce an effect of depth to the ornament as a whole.

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