

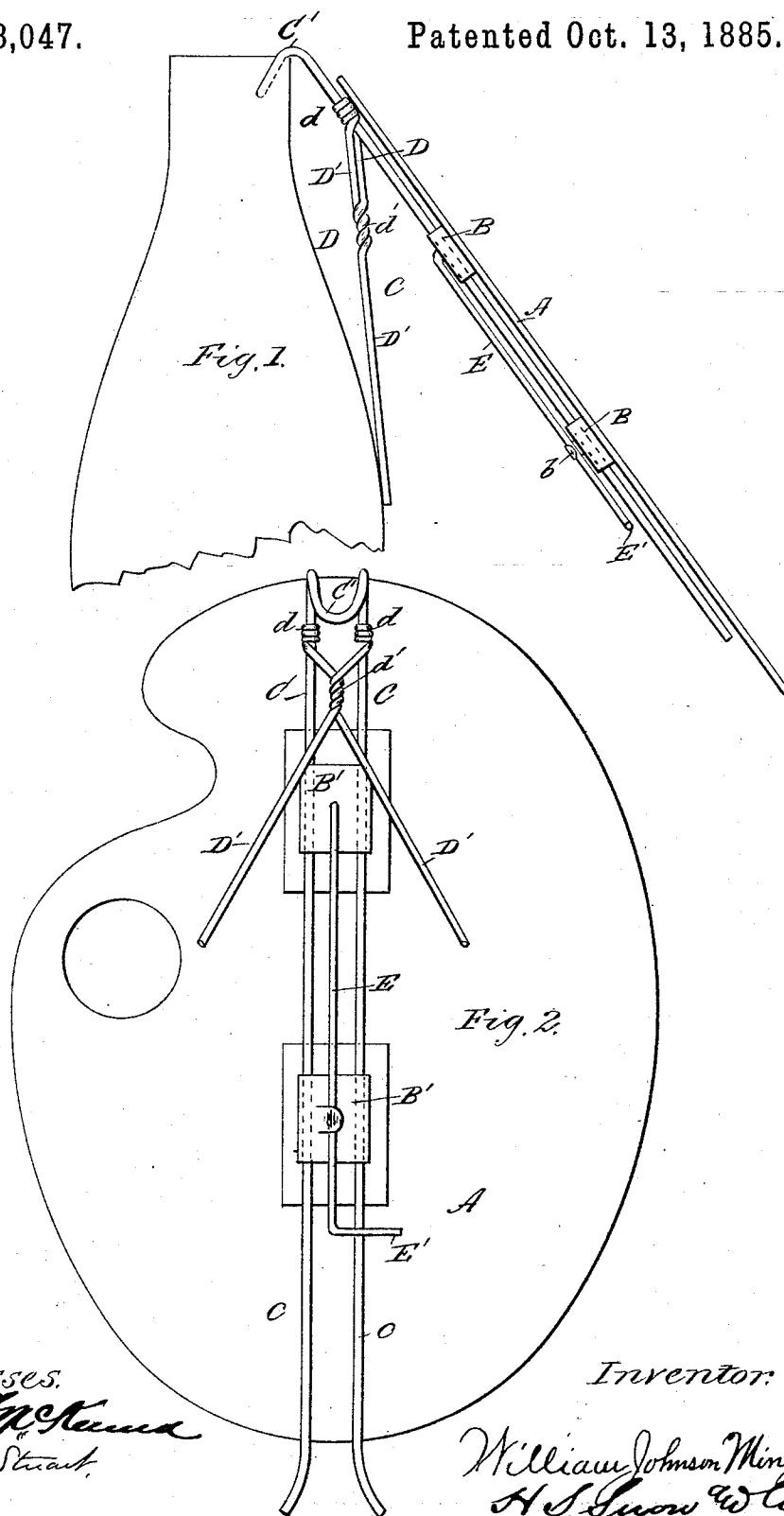
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM J. MINGUA, a citizen of the United States, residing at Augusta, in the county of Bracken and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lamp-Shades and Wall-Ornaments, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates particularly to lamp-shades, and has for its object a simple, neat, and easily-adjusted device which may be conveniently used as a lamp-shade or a wall-ornament, as may be desired.

Lamp-shades alone have heretofore been made embodying features like mine with one keeper, but without the means whereby the shade may be used as a wall-ornament when removed from the lamp. My invention therefore consists in the construction and combination of parts whereby the shade may thus be converted from a lamp-shade into a wall-ornament, as will be hereinafter particularly described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view of a section of a chimney with my improvement, and Fig. 2 is a back view of my shade, all of which will be described.

The shade proper, A, may be of any proper shape and ornamented in any desired manner. In practice I find it convenient to take the common card-board plaques which are tastily decorated and made of such shapes as desired. On the back of this shade A, I secure in any suitable manner one or more loops or keepers, B B', preferably two, as shown, and arranged in line with each other.

The main rod or support is formed of a piece of spring metal or wire bent midway its ends to provide the arms C, and bent at the juncture of these arms to form the hook C', which engages on the upper edge of the lamp-chimney and connects the shade thereto, as most clearly shown in Fig. 1.

To keep the shade away from the chimney, I provide a brace, D, composed of two wires, D', having one end twisted at *d* around one arm of the main rod, near the upper end of same, then twisted together at *d'* and having their other ends bent outward, as shown, and adapted to bear against the lamp-chimney and hold the shade proper out therefrom. By the connection *d* the brace may be adjusted along

the main rod in order to vary the angle at which the main rod and shade are held to the chimney. I prefer to use this brace D, and to form it of wire connected with the main rod in the manner shown and described. By said brace the angle of the shade may be varied as desired, and the shade may be adjusted along its main rod, as before specified.

The shade A is adjusted up or down on the rods C by means of the keepers B B'.

The device thus far described is designed solely as a lamp-shade, and as such its features are already known; but to adapt the invention for the further use of an ornament to be hung upon the wall when not in use I add the construction of parts hereinafter described. I swivel one end of a rod, E, in the upper keeper, B, and bend its lower end to form a hook, E', suited to engage a staple-screw or similar expedient fixed in the wall. When this hook is caught in the eye or staple, and the ends of arms C rest against the wall, the device is held at a proper angle and suits its purpose, as will be understood. To better serve this last purpose, I prefer to bend or flare the lower ends of the arms C outward, as shown in Fig. 2. When not in use for supporting the device on a wall, the rod E is turned down against keeper B' and secured by a hook, *b*, struck up therefrom.

I claim—

1. The combination, with the shade, the keepers B' B', and the main rod held and adjustable in said keepers, of the bar E, pivotally secured at its upper end to keeper B, having at its lower end the hook E', substantially as set forth.

2. The herein-described device for use as a lamp-shade or wall-ornament, consisting of the part or shade A, having the keepers B' B', the rods C C, inserted through keepers B' and bent to form a hook, C', to engage the chimney-top, the brace adjustably secured to rods C, and the rod E, secured to one keeper and held under the other by the hook *b*, and provided with the bent end E', as set forth.

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

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