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CARPET-FASTENERS.

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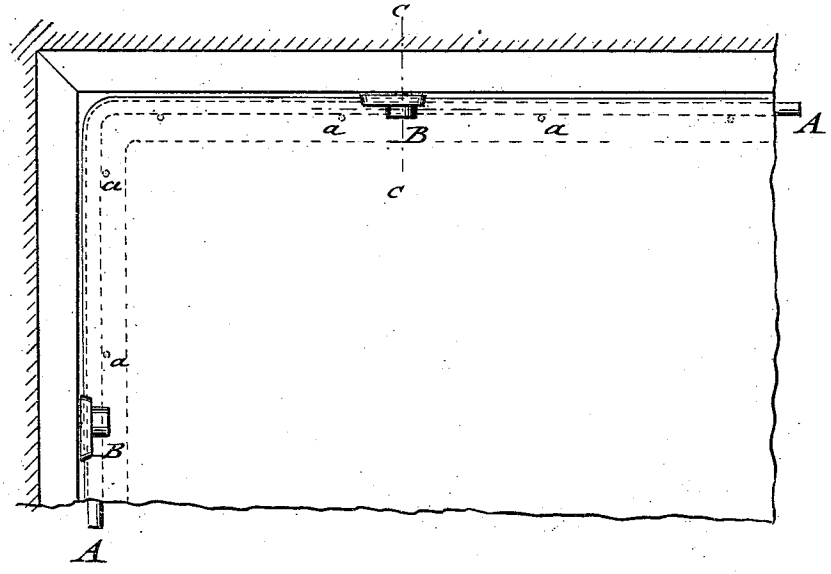
Fig. 1.



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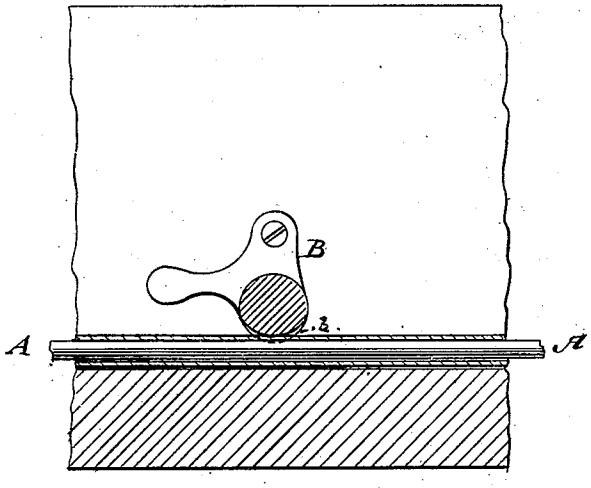

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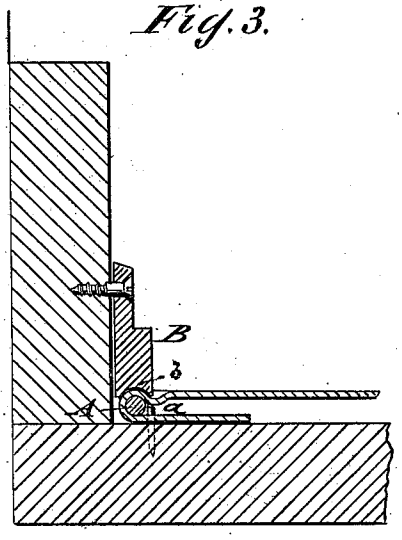

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IMPROVEMENT IN CARPET-FASTENERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JESSE FAILING, of Umatilla, in the county of Umatilla and State of Oregon, have invented a new and Improved Carpet-Fastener, of which the following is a specification:

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a top view, Fig. 2 a sectional front view, and Fig. 3 a vertical transverse section, of my improved carpet-fastener, on line *c c*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The invention has reference to a simple and durable device for fastening carpets along the base-board of the room, and taking them up with great facility, the carpet presenting, by the use of this fastening, a smoother and neater surface than when fastened by the common tacks; and the invention consists of a metallic rod running along the base-board, and having the edge of the carpet placed around the same and pressed down on studs or pins driven into the floor in front of the rod, which is finally retained by grooved eccentric buttons or cams bearing on the rod, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the drawing, A represents an iron rod, that runs along the base-board of the room to be carpeted. In front of the rod A are driven, at suitable distances from each other, wire pins or studs *a*, that project nearly up to the level with the top of the rod.

Buttons or eccentrics B are screwed to the base-board above the rod A, two or three feet apart, the buttons being made in the shape of eccentric cams, as shown in Fig. 2, with a grooved or concaved circumference, *b*, to fit over the metallic rod A.

The edge of the carpet is folded around the iron rod A, pressed down over the pins *a*, and the eccentric buttons are then brought down on the rod by pressing on the levers of the same until the rod and carpet are rigidly and evenly retained along the entire base-board of the room.

The carpet may be readily taken up by releasing the buttons from the rods and removing them, admitting thus the convenient laying down and taking up of carpets, and furnishing a superior and neater fastening than the common tacks in general use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An improved carpet-fastening, composed of a metallic rod, A, of studs or pins *a*, driven into the floor in front of the rod, and of grooved pivoted eccentrics, cams, or buttons B, that secure, jointly with the rod and pins, the edge of the carpet along the base-board of the room, substantially in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

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