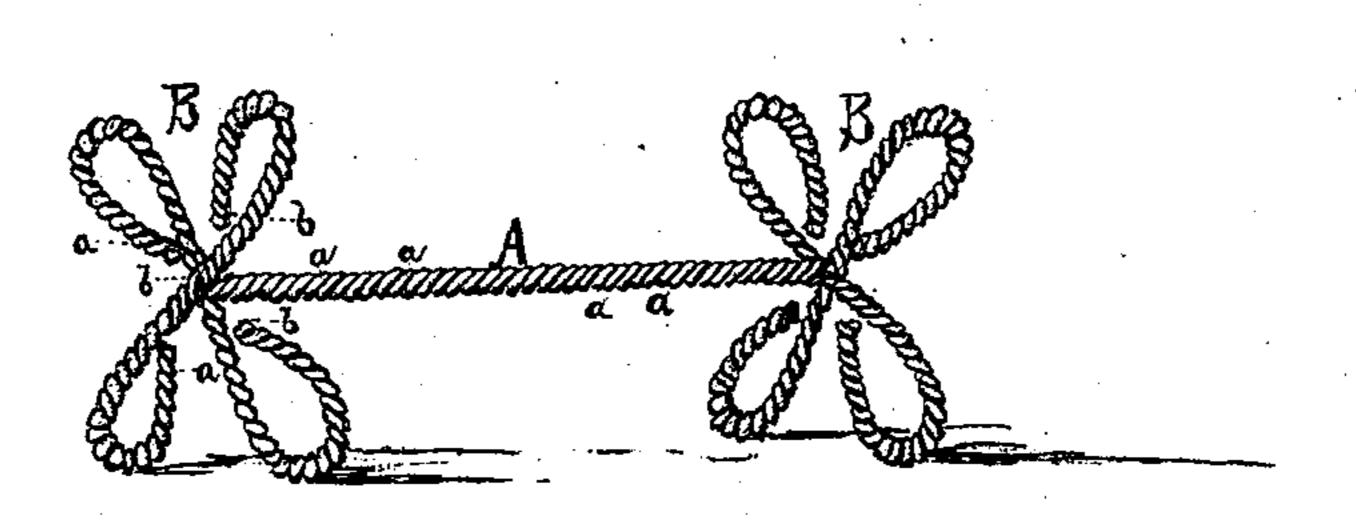
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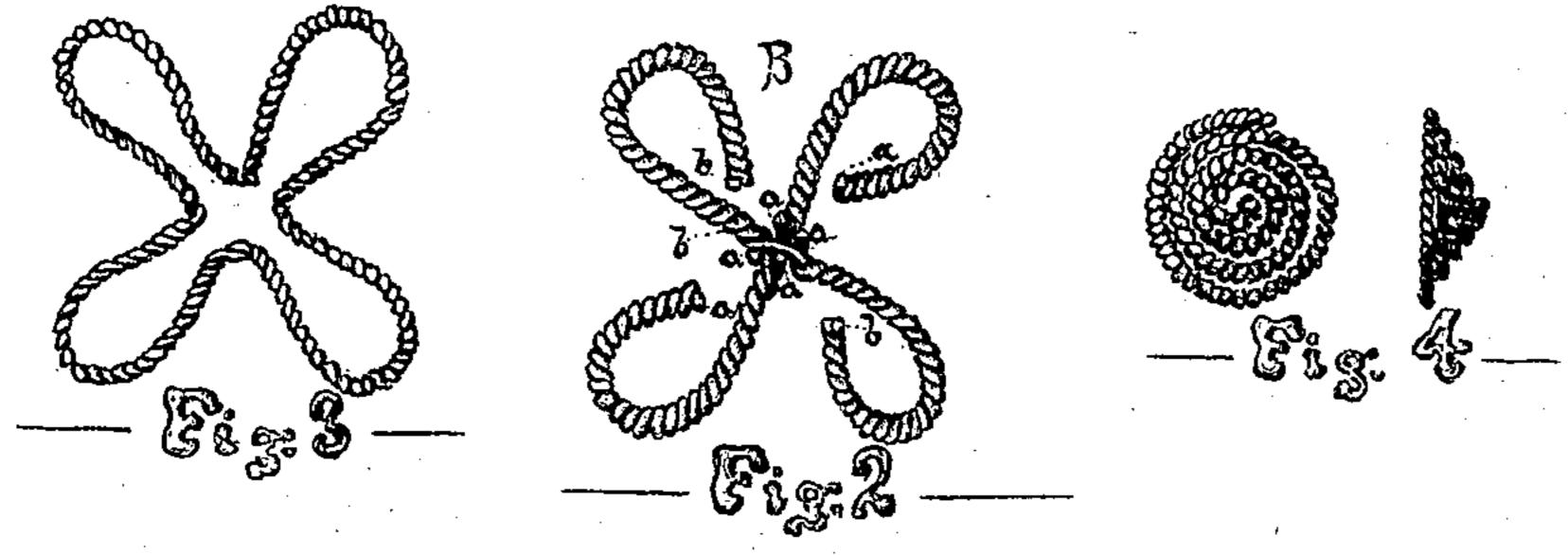
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IMPROVED KNIFE-REST.

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

I, Daniel Sherwood, of Lowell, in the county of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and improved Knife-Rest, for use as an article of table-furniture, of which the following is a specification.

Nature and Object of the Invention.

My invention rélates to a knife-rest, made of twisted wire, and has for its object the construction of a strong, neat, and ornamental article, to be used upon the table, as a rest for carving-knives, forks, &c., to prevent them from soiling the table-cover.

Description of the Accompanying Drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a knife-rest, complete;

Figure 2 shows the manner in which the legs or ends are constructed;

Figure 3 shows another method of constructing the same; and

Figure 4 is a view of the ornamental rosette attached in the centre at the intersection of the ends and cross-bar.

General Description.

I take four strands of wire, α , and twist them to-

gether for the required length to form the bar A, and then separate these strands at each end of the bar at right angles, and then twist another strand, b, with them, to form the legs B, which are bent in the form shown; and the whole, when completed, is dipped in a bath of tin, and coated, in order to prevent corresion.

In the construction of my invention, I use iron wire, as being strong when twisted; while, by the mode in which I construct the rests, a cheap, useful, and beautiful article of table-furniture is produced.

It will be obvious to any person skilled in the art, that the legs B may be made in different ways, as, for instance, in the form shown in fig. 3, in which case the end of the bar A is cut off and inserted in the centre of the legs, and the rosette, fig. 4, is placed over the ends of the rod, on the outside.

Claim.

I claim, as a new and improved article of manufacture, a knife-rest, made of twisted wire, substantially as described and specified.

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