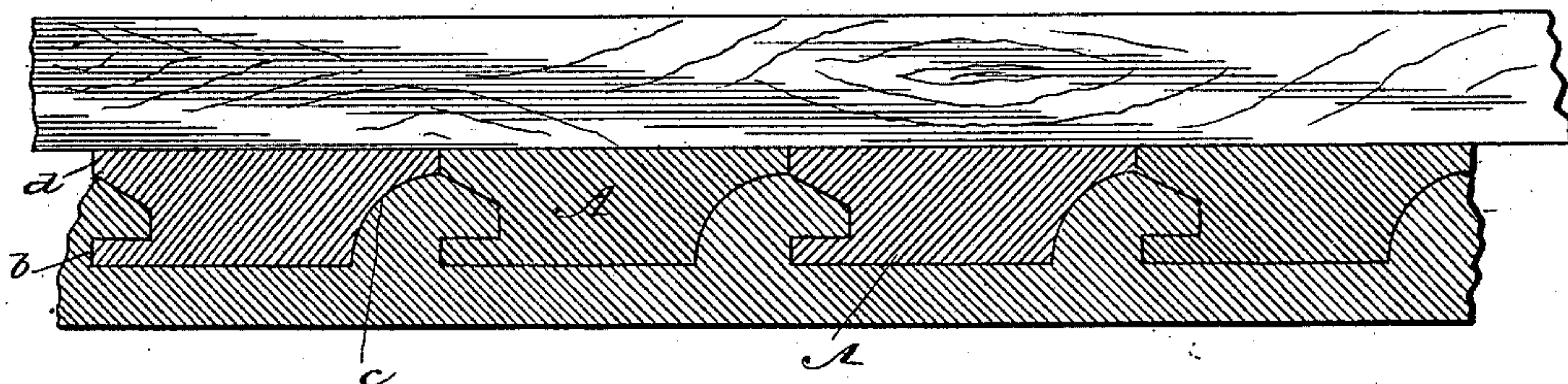


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE AHRENS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Crete, in the county of Will and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Plastering-Strips, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention has for its object to produce plastering-strips that, by simple means, will provide a continuous wooden surface against the ceiling-joists or against studs or furring-strips and behind the plastering, will economize in quantity of plastering material required, and will make the plastering more rigid with the wall, notwithstanding the shrinkage of the strips.

20 For this purpose my invention consists of strips grooved out to narrow their outer faces and to produce at one edge thereof two parallel tongues in such a manner that, when such strips are secured with their rear-edges jointing each other, spaces are provided between 25 their front edges with parallel or square tongues at one side that form dovetail-like grooves for the plaster to be crowded in, finding a rigid hold that cannot be lessened by

the shrinkage of such strips, all as will be more fully hereinafter described and specifically claimed. 30

In the accompanying drawing, the figure represents a sectional view of my plastering-strips as attached.

The wooden strips A, after being cut the 35 desired thickness and width, are grooved out in a shaping or planing machine, as shown in drawing, to form to one edge a tapering bottom flange, *d*, and an outer tongue, *b*, and to the opposite edge a concave chamfer, *c*, that 40 when two strips are put together will provide a hook-shaped groove between, that will hold the plaster crowded therein from releasing its hold.

What I claim is— 45

As an article of manufacture, plastering-strips grooved out at one edge to form flange *d* and tongue *b*, and having to its opposite edge a concave chamfer, *c*, substantially as 50 and for the purpose set forth.

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

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