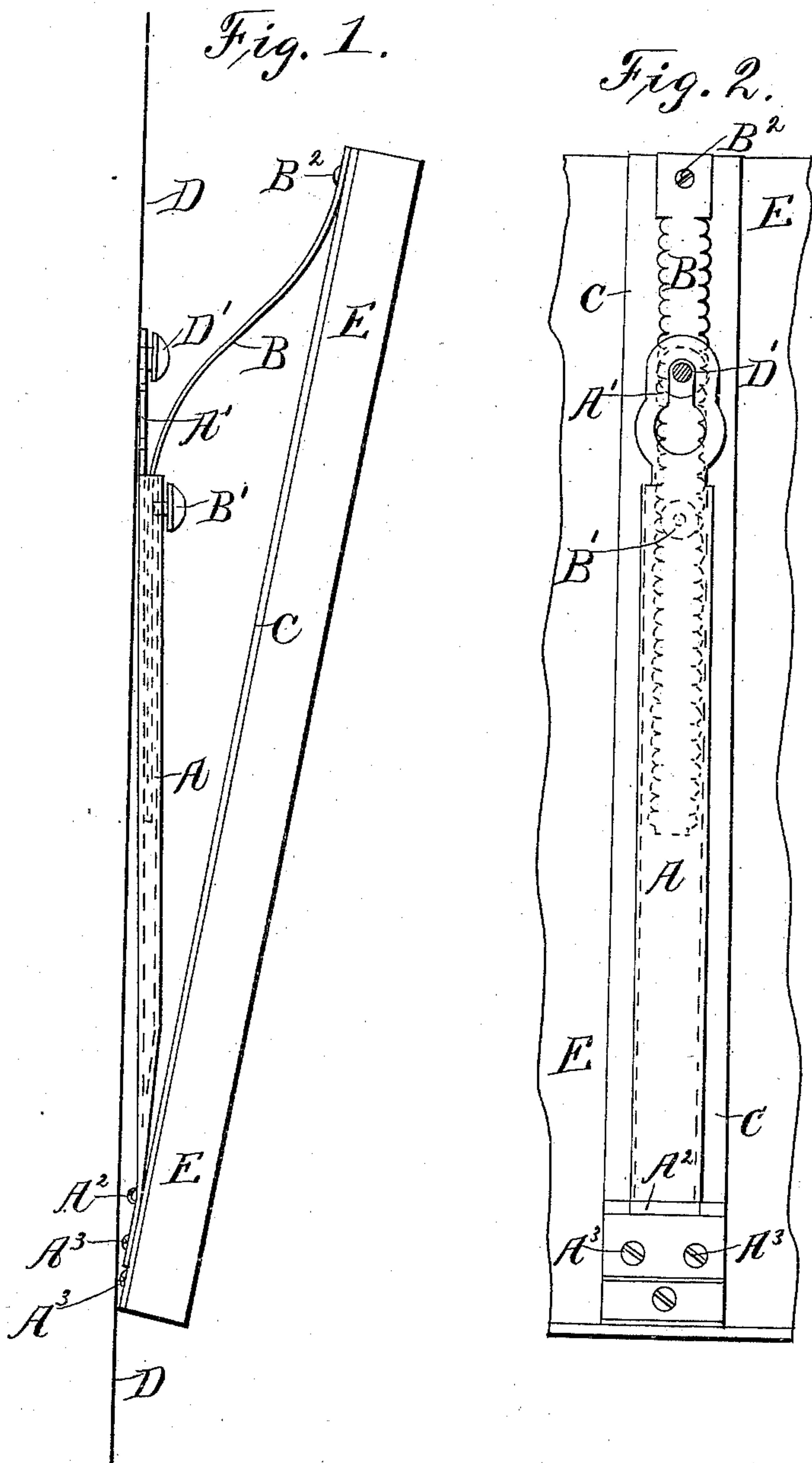


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARCHIBALD SIDDALL, bank clerk, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at Ryde, near Sydney, in the British Colony of New South Wales, have invented a new and useful Improved Picture-Hanger, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has been specially devised in order to provide picture-hangers for supporting or suspending framed pictures, mirrors, and other objects, which picture-hangers are of such a character that they may be used on pictures, &c., of various sizes, that the pictures may be quickly and easily hung and removed, and that the angle or inclination of the picture, &c., may be easily adjusted.

This improved picture-hanger consists, essentially, of a hinged scabbard or stay fixed on the top or bottom of a picture and a hinged or fixed stay on the opposite top or bottom adapted to enter or gear with said scabbard or stay and to be adjustably fastened thereto. On the scabbard or stay is a link or loop to take on the supporting nail, screw, &c., of the picture, &c., and both the scabbard or stay and the hinged gearing-stay are constructed with means for attachment to the picture, the frame, &c. In large pictures or objects two hangers would be required—one at either side of the picture or object—and in some cases three or more might be used. But in order that this invention may be clearly understood I will now describe my improved picture-hanger, and will refer to the illustrations thereof in the drawings herewith.

Figures 1 and 2 in side and back elevation, respectively, show my improved picture-hanger, which is composed of a hinged scabbard A and an elastic stay or strip B, fixed to the respective ends of a cross-stay C.

D is the supporting-wall.

A' is tag or end; A², hinge; A³, fastening-screws.

B' is set-screw or fastener; B², fastening-screw.

D' is nail or supporting-screw. E is the picture, &c.

It is easily seen that the angle of the picture is adjusted by loosening screw B', placing said picture as required, (the stay or strip B moving freely in scabbard A,) and then tightening screw B' again.

In some cases the cross-stay C is entirely dispensed with and the screws A³ and B² inserted through the plain ends of scabbard A and strip B, respectively, into the picture, &c., E.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In a picture-hanger, the combination of a sheath or hollow support provided with a suspension device at one end for suspending the same from the wall, a supporting-plate adapted to be secured to the picture, hinged to the opposite end of the hollow support, and a more or less flexible strip secured to said supporting-plate and adapted for adjustment within the hollow support, as set forth.

2. A picture-hanger consisting of a hollow support A, provided with means for suspending it from a nail or its equivalent, and with a hinge-joint A², adapted to be secured to the lower portion of a picture-frame, of the flexible strap or strip B, one end of which is secured to the upper portion of said picture-frame, said strap or strip sliding freely within the hollow support A, and the binding-screw B', adapted to lock the strip in the hollow support, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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