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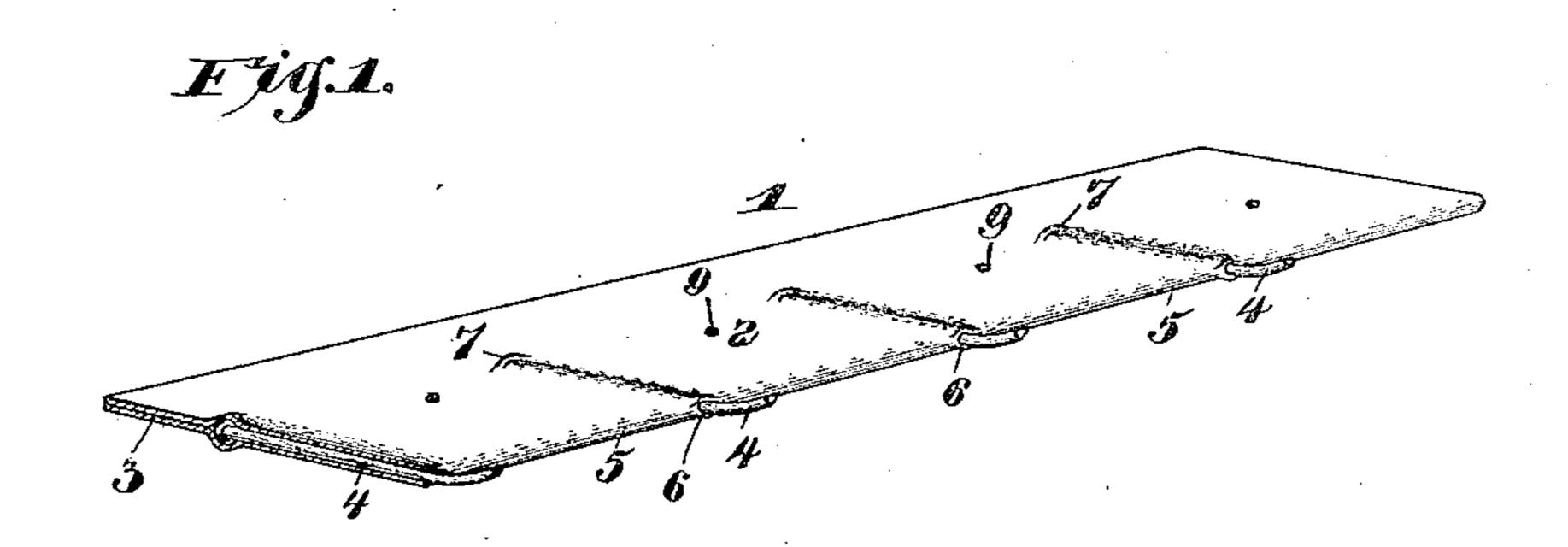


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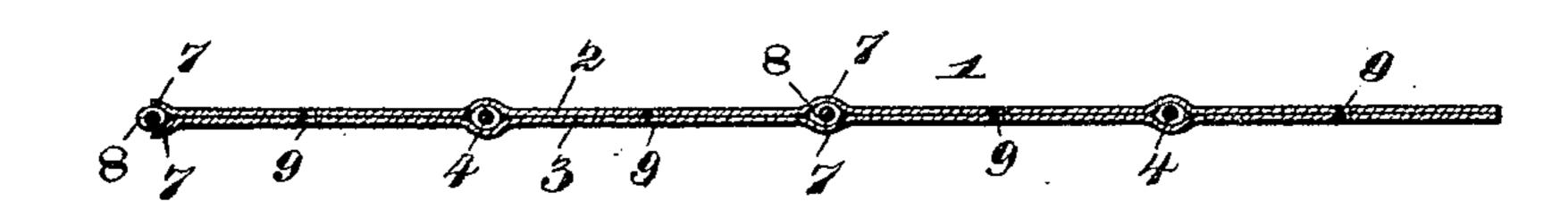
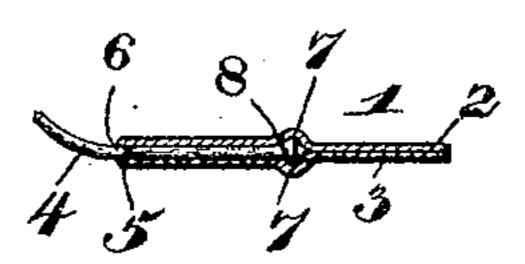


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Lewis F. Ambrose, a citizen of the United States, residing at Center Point, in the county of Clay and State of 5 Indiana, have invented a new and useful Carpet-Fastener, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to improvements in

carpet-fasteners.

The object of the present invention is to simplify and improve the construction of carpet fasteners, and to provide one of great economic construction, adapted to be readily manufactured, capable of being esaily ap-15 plied to a floor, and of permitting a carpet to be conveniently fastened and quickly removed when desired.

The invention consists in the construction and novel combination and arrangement of 20 parts hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed

out in the claims hereto appended.

In the drawings—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a carpet fastener embody-25 ing the invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view.

Like numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures of the draw-

30 ings.

1 designates a narrow strip, constructed of sheet metal, which is folded to provide upper and lower sides 2 and 3, between which are confined wire nails 4 or similar fastering de-35 vices. The metal strip 1 is provided at its outer edge or bend 5 with a series of perforations 6, through which project the fastening devices 4; and the outer projecting portions of the latter are inclined upward slightly as 40 shown to enable the selvage of a carpet to be readily hooked over them. The sides 2 and 3 of the narrow strip are compressed together, and opposite indentations or recesses 7 are formed in their inner faces to receive the 45 heads 8 of the fastening devices, whereby the latter are firmly retained in proper position, and are securely held against any liability or turning or moving inward. By this means, longitudinal sockets extending inward from 50 the perforations are formed; and these sock-

ets terminate at their inner ends in enlargements to receive the heads of the nails. The narrow strip is secured to a floor adjacent to the wall, by means of tacks, screws, or any other suitable fastening devices, to pass 55 through perforations 9 intermediate of the longitudinal edges of the strip; and the carpet to be laid may then be readily hooked over the upwardly inclined projecting portions of the fastening devices.

When it is desired to take up a carpet it may be readily unhooked from the fastening devices, and in event of any emergency, this may be done with great rapidity, without lia-

bility of tearing the carpet.

The carpet fastener may also be readily removed when desired, and it possesses great strength and durability, and is not liable to become worn.

The folded edge or bend of the strip is lo- 70 cated adjacent to the wall, and the inclined points 4 are designed to terminate close to the latter, whereby they are adapted to receive and engage the selvage of a carpet, and are located entirely out of the way, so as not to 75 require shields, or covering strips.

It will be seen that the carpet fastener is exceedingly simple and inexpensive in its construction, and that it may be readily manufactured by unskilled persons, and that the 80 material of which it is constructed may readily be obtained. It will also be apparent that the narrow strip of the carpet fastener is exceedingly thin, and will not cause the carpet to bulge and present a bad appearance at its 85 edges.

Changes in the form, proportion, and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this in- 90

vention.

What I claim is—

A carpet fastener, comprising a strip constructed of sheet metal folded centrally longitudinally, and having the bend located at 95 its inner side so as to lie adjacent to a wall, and provided at the bend with series of perforations, and having transversely disposed sockets communicating with the perforations and terminating short of the outer edge of 100 the strip in enlargements or recesses, and the headed fastening devices arranged in the sockets and projecting through the perforations from the inner edge of the strip and extending at a slight inclination in the direction of the wall, in order to receive the selvage of a carpet and to lie out of the way, the heads of the said fastening devices being located in the recesses or enlargements and holding

the fastening devices against turning, sub- 10 stantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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