

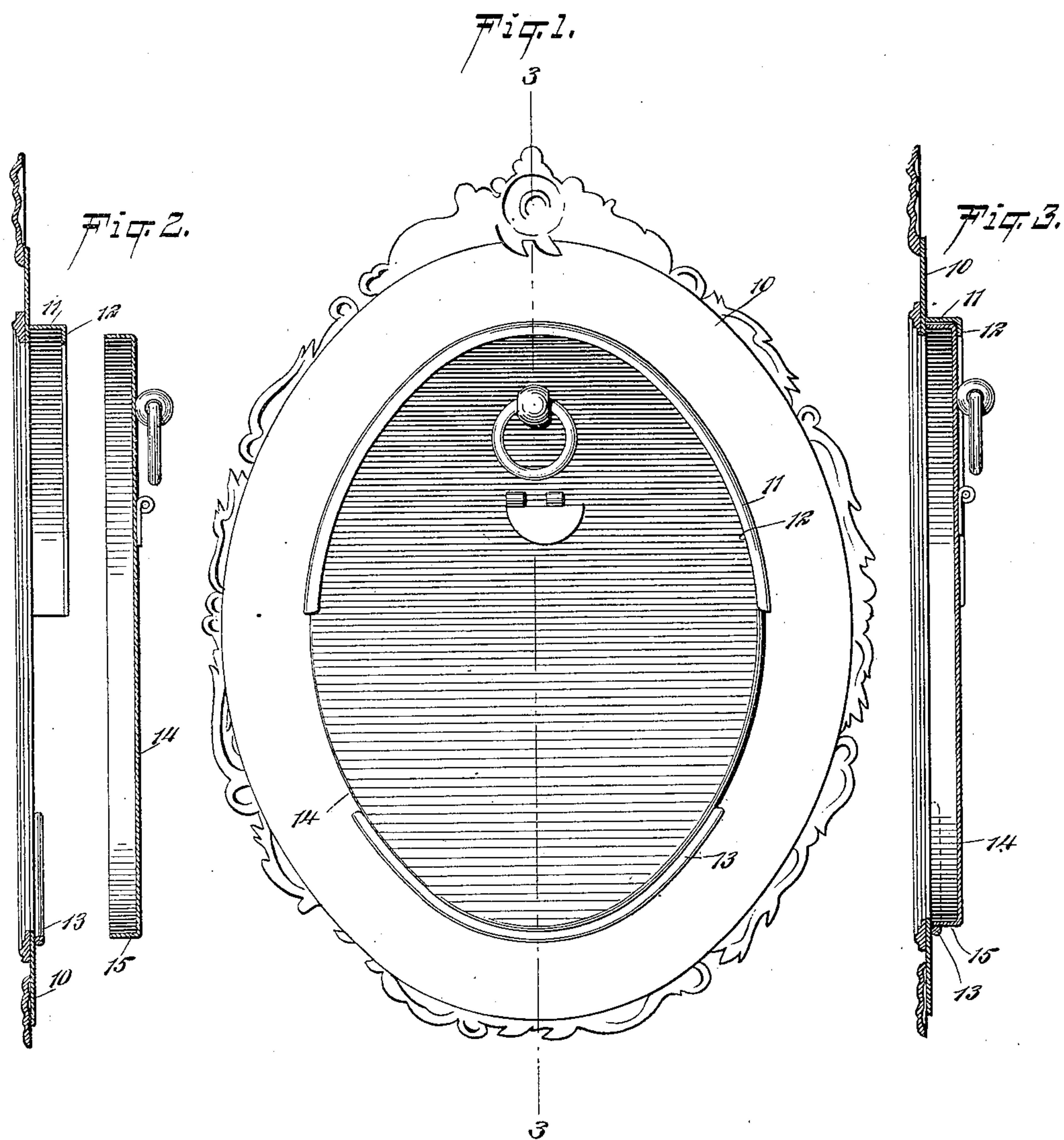
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## PICTURE-FRAME.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERMAN DAVIDSON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Picture-Frame, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to improvements in frames for pictures; and the object is to provide a simple and novel means for securing the back to the frame.

I will describe a picture-frame embodying my invention and then point out the novel features in the appended claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a back view of a frame embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a sectional elevation showing the frame and back as separated. Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings, 10 designates the frame, which is oval in outline, having a sight-opening also shown as oval in outline. It is to be understood, however, that the outline may be otherwise shaped, and, further, it is to be understood that my invention will apply to frames having a rectangular sight-opening or a circular sight-opening. Extended around the upper portion of the sight-opening at the back is a retaining-strip, consisting of a rearwardly-extended flange 11, upon the rear edge of which is an inwardly-extended flange 12. Extended along the edge

of the lower portion of said sight-opening is a clamping strip or bead 13, which may consist of wire or be otherwise formed thereon. The back 14 has a peripheral forwardly-extended flange 15, the edge of which will engage against the rear surface of the frame 10, as clearly indicated in the drawings.

In placing the back in position its upper portion is to be moved underneath the flange 12, and then the lower portion is to be pressed forward, so that the flange 15 will engage closely against the inner surface of the clamping-strip. The flange 15 will have a slight resiliency, so that the pressure exerted thereby against the strip 13 will securely hold the back to the frame.

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

In a picture-frame, a retaining-strip extended along the upper portion of the sight-opening of the frame, a flange on said strip, a clamping-strip arranged along the lower portion of said opening, and a back having a spring-yielding peripheral flange, the said back being adapted to engage underneath the flange of the retaining-strip and to have spring-yielding engagement with the clamping-strip.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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