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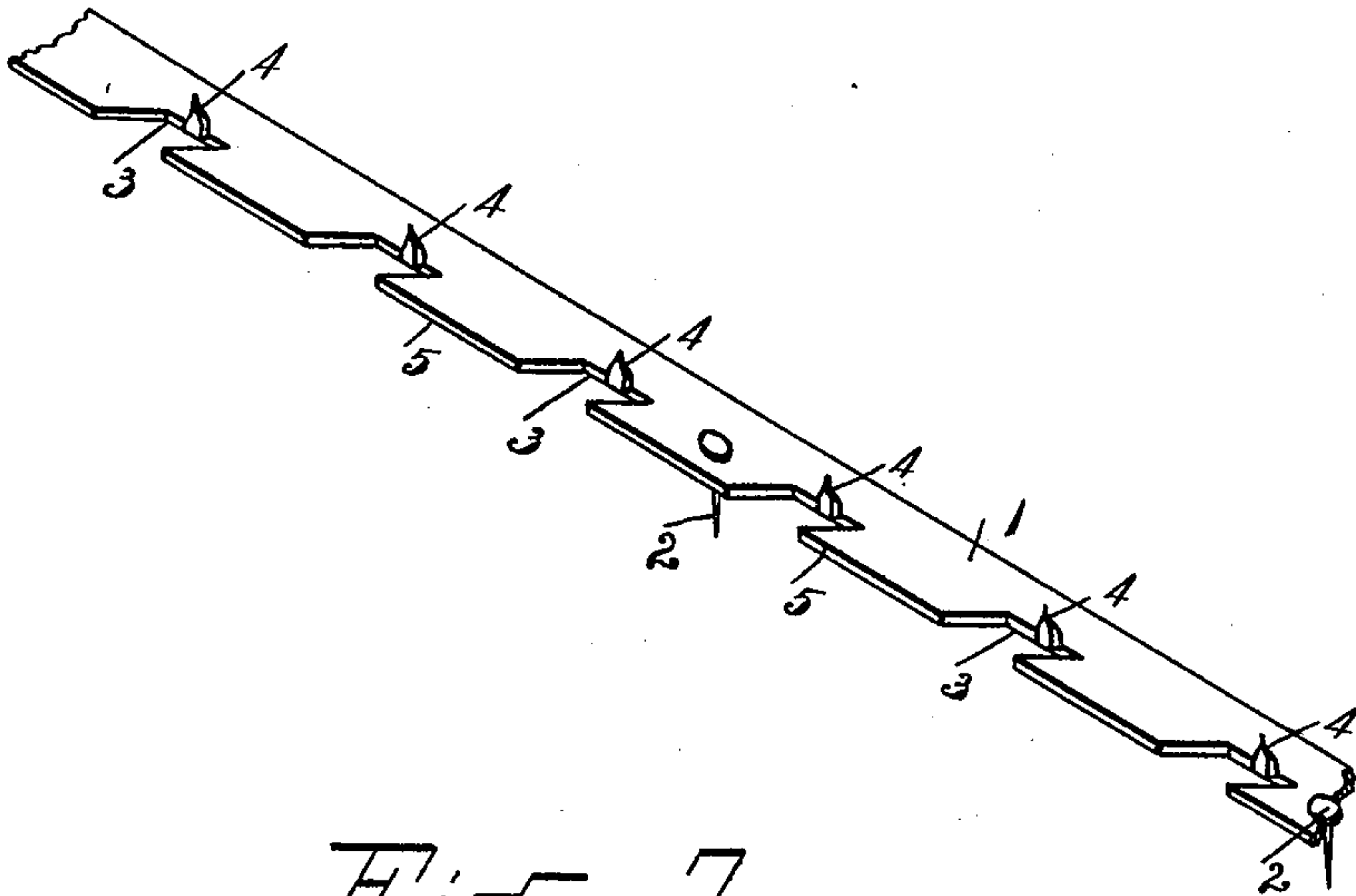
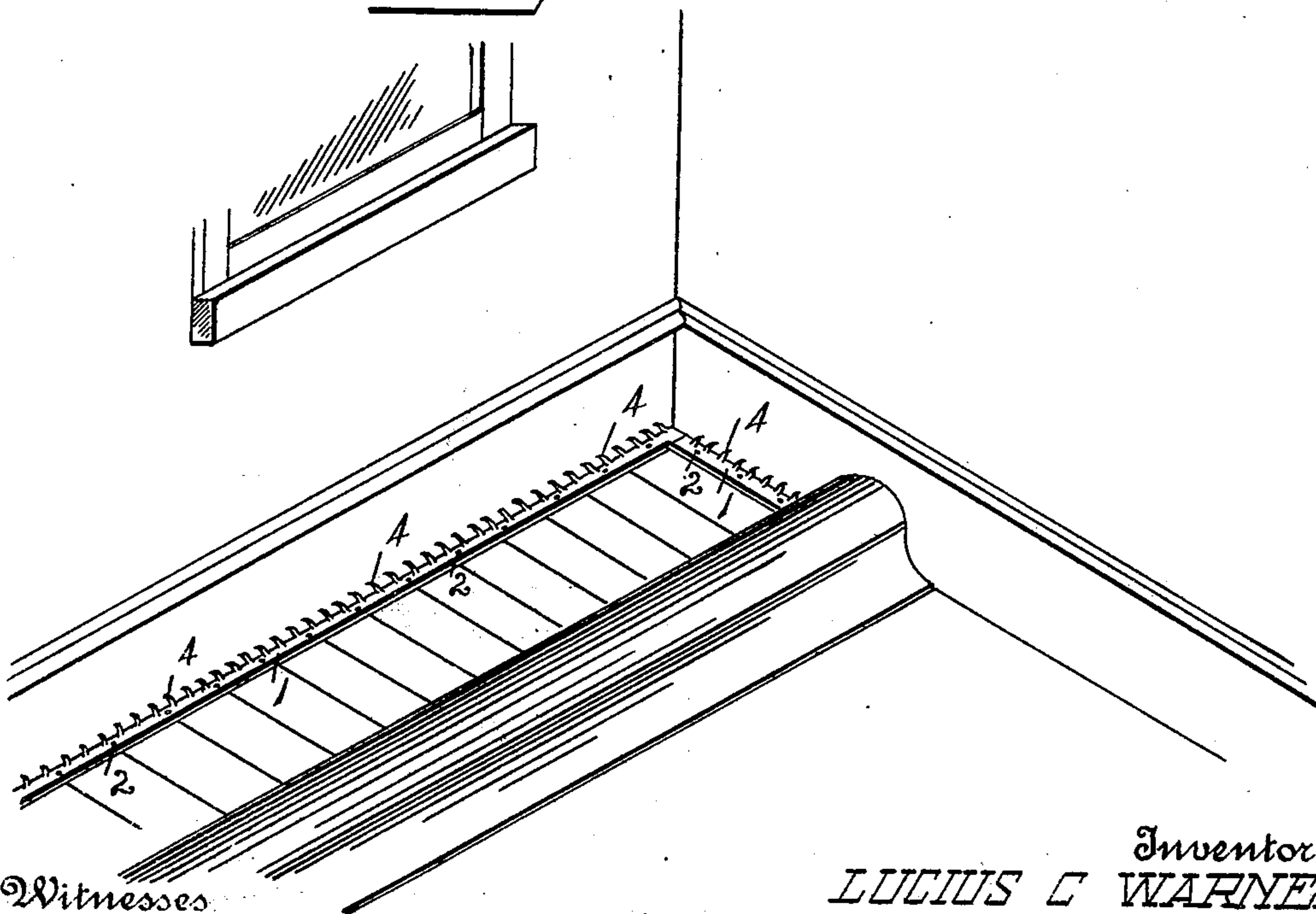


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## TACKLESS CARPET-STAY.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LUCIUS C. WARNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ada, county of Kent, State of Michigan, have invented an Improvement in Tackless Carpet-Stays, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to means for securing carpets, rugs, or the like in position upon the floor without the necessity of employing tacks or nails for this purpose.

The object of my invention is to provide reliably-efficient means whereby a carpet may be readily secured in place upon the floor and easily removed therefrom without the necessity of extracting tacks or nails, as is now common.

My invention consists in certain novel features of combination and construction of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my securing device ready for instant use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the edge of a room properly provided with my improved securing device ready for the carpet.

In order to conveniently designate the several features of my invention and their cooperating accessories, numerals will be employed, of which 1 indicates the body portion of my improved securing device, which may be formed of any suitable material, as a strip of sheet metal, which is provided with a series of apertures at proper intervals designed to receive the retaining or anchoring screws or nails 2, whereby the strip may be readily secured in position, preferably adjacent to the wall or at that point where it is desired to dispose the edge of the carpet or rug.

The outer edge of the body portion of my securing device is provided with a series of recesses 3, which may be readily formed by striking out of the edge of the metal a portion thereof, as will be readily understood. Near the central portion of each recess I locate an anchoring or retaining point 4, which is preferably integral with the body portion and is designed to engage the edge of the carpet, whereby the carpet may be reliably retained in position.

The recesses or notches 3 should be made

of proper depth to insure that the edge 5 may extend under the base-board, while said recesses should be made of sufficient width to leave the points 4 removed from the sides of the recess a proper distance in order that the carpet may be more readily hooked over the anchoring-points 4 without coming in contact with said sides. By thus providing one continuous strip of metal with a plurality of anchoring-points the entire side of a room may be easily provided with means for engaging the entire edge of one side of the carpet or rug.

By the arrangement just described I am enabled to provide a series of anchoring-points 4 out of part of the metal from which the recesses 3 are formed, while the same work of forming the recesses and said anchoring-points also provides the extended edge 5 and leaves it in readiness for engaging with the base-board, as will be obvious.

It will be understood that the recesses 3 may be of sufficient depth to leave the free edge 5 of the plate forming the body portion free to extend under the edge of the base-board, if desired, whereby the said plate will be more reliably located in its operative position.

It is obvious by reference to the drawings that the edge of the carpet may be very readily and reliably secured by hooking the same over the series of retaining-points 4, when, if desired, said points may be struck downward, as with blow of a hammer.

My improved securing device may be very cheaply and readily formed, as from a strip of sheet metal of proper extent and character, it being clear that the recesses 3 and the retaining-points 4 may be simultaneously formed by a proper tool or dye. I claim a special advantage for my securing device, which arises from the fact that the retaining-points 4 are located at the inner end of a recess, which permits the free edge 5 of the plate or body portion 1 to be more reliably anchored in place, as above set forth.

Believing that the advantages, use, and construction of my improved retaining device for carpets, &c., will be made fully apparent from the foregoing specification considered in connection with the accompanying drawings, further reference to the details is deemed unnecessary.



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

1. The herein-described securing device for  
5 carpets, &c., comprising a continuous strip of  
sheet metal provided upon one edge with a  
series of angular recesses and an anchoring-  
finger 4 located centrally in the inner end of  
each of said recesses, said finger being formed  
10 of part of the metal struck out in forming its  
recess whereby the carpet may be hooked over  
said finger and secured without coming in  
contact with the edge of the recesses, sub-  
stantially as specified and for the purpose set  
15 forth.

2. A securing device for carpets compris-  
ing a continuous strip of metal having re-  
cesses upon one edge and integrally-formed  
fingers located in the inner ends of said re-  
20 cesses and wholly separated from the edges  
thereof thereby forming the extended anchor-

ing edges 5 whereby the edge of the carpet  
may be secured by being hooked over said  
fingers without contacting the edges of the  
recesses and suitable means to anchor the 25  
strip of metal in its operative position as set  
forth.

3. As a new article of manufacture, a con-  
tinuous strip of sheet metal having in one  
edge a series of open-mouthed notches or re- 30  
cesses 3; an anchoring-finger 4 located in the  
inner end of each recess and formed of part  
of the metal removed therefrom, said finger  
being upwardly and outwardly curved, where-  
by the edge of the metal between the recesses 35  
will extend outward beyond the reach of said  
finger, substantially as specified and for the  
purpose set forth.

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