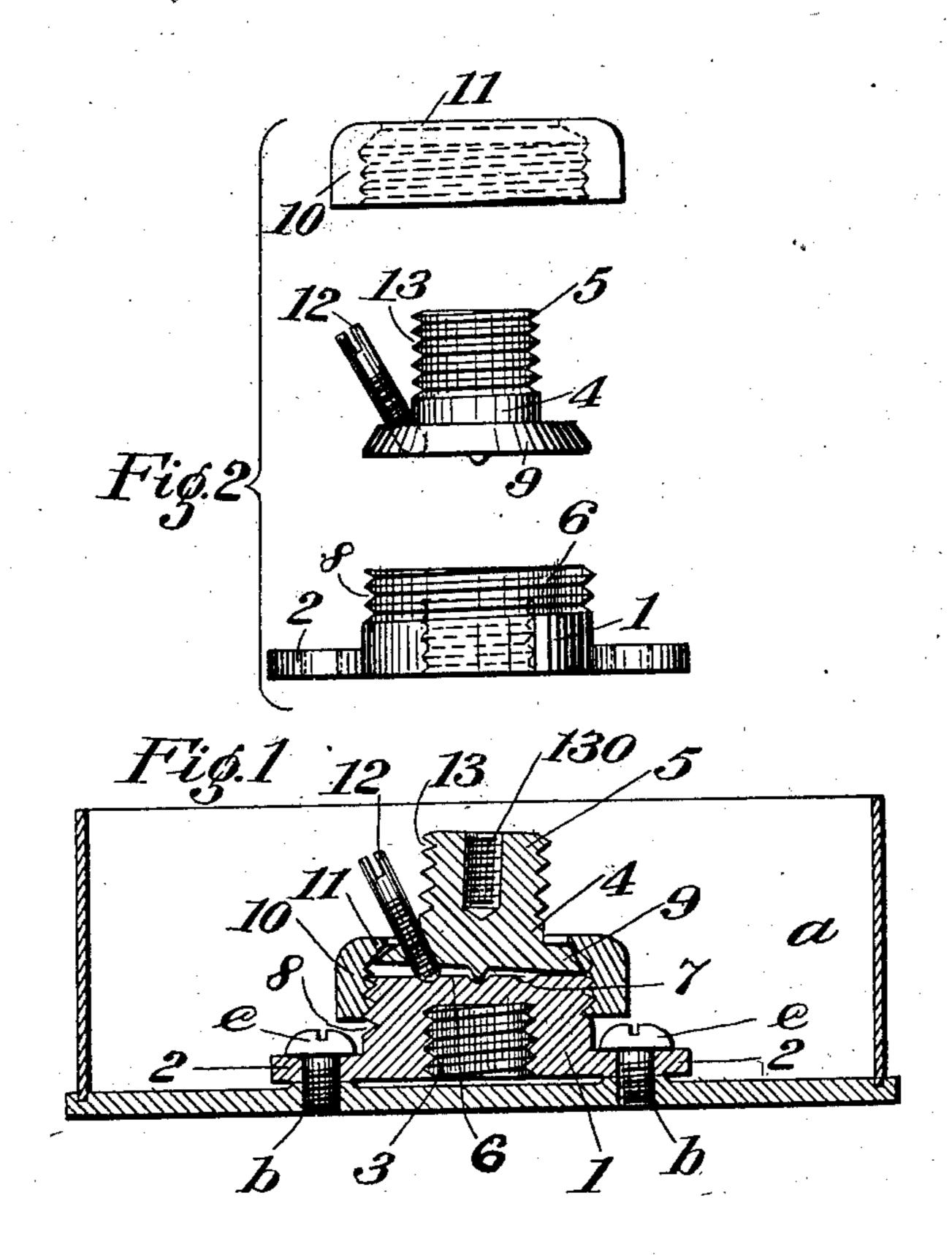
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADNAH MCMURTRIE, of New York, State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Attachments for 5 Electrical Conduits, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters and figures on the drawings designating like parts.

This invention relates to house-wiring systems for the distribution of electricity in lighting and like purposes, and more particularly to means for the adjustment of wallbrackets or similar lamp supports or fixtures. 15 at the region of the juncture thereof with the

conduit.

It happens frequently that the outlet-box or similar conduit member to which the bracket is connected is not plumb, with the 20 result that the fixture is left awry or is forced into the proper position at the cost of distortion of the fixture, with consequent ruin to its finish or to the rigidity of the fixture and conduit or insulating-joint or other parts.

My invention contemplates an attachment capable of being interposed between the outlet-box, outlet-pipe, or similar conduit member and the wall-bracket, lamp, or any standard form of fixture or the like in use, without 30 requiring alteration of the fixture, &c., and the character of the attachment being such that the angle of the fixture to the wall or other surrounding may be adjusted in any direction with the greatest nicety as the re-35 quirements of any given situation are developed.

I have provided and devised an attachment which is as general in its application as the well-known insulating-joint for fixtures and 40 the like, and my attachment may be used with the aforesaid insulating-joint, as will be understood upon reference to the accompanying drawings and specification, in which the various features of my invention will be illustrated and described fully, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in vertical section of an attachment in the construction of which my improvements have been 50 embodied, the attachment being illustrated in place within an outlet-box of well-known

form. Fig. 2 shows in side elevation the parts of the attachment separate from the box and detached from each other.

In the embodiment of my invention selected 55 for illustration and description as a convenient form to enable a ready and complete understanding of my improvements, referring particularly to Figs. 1 and 2, the part designated by the reference-numeral 1 may be de- 60 scribed as the attaching member, by which my device may be secured to the conduit member in connection with which it is to be used, and in this instance the latter takes the form of a well-known type of outlet-box 65 a. The means of connection may be varied as found convenient and suitable, and as such boxes usually have holes b to receive screws c by which the ordinary standard nonadjustable fixture-stud is secured, I have 70 shown lugs 2 on my attaching member to receive the screws, thus insuring its capacity for ready attachment to existing conduit members without necessity for altering them. So, also, a threaded recess 3 may be provided 75 to receive the threaded end of a conduit or the like. In accordance with my invention I provide another member 4, which I designate as the "supporting" member, carrying a studreceptacle or equivalent device 5, to which 80 may be secured in the usual manner a bracket, lamp, or other fixture (using the latter term in a general and non-technical sense) and means to enable the members to be adjusted in differentangular positions relatively to their respec-85 tive axes and to hold them in adjusted relation, thereby to present the fixture in desired angular position relatively to the outlet-box or other conduit member, and therefore to the wall, ceiling, or other situation where the fixture has 90 been located. In the figures under discussion the attaching member is shown as having a rather broad top or bearing-surface 6, preferably pitted as at 7, and a threaded periphery 8, while the stud or supporting member has a 95 flange or foot 9, which stands upon the surface 6, to which it may be clamped by an internallythreaded collar 10, the rim 11 of which engages the flange. The members are rotatable relatively to each other about their common 100 longitudinal axis, and the stud or supporting member can be tilted also, so that the universal adjustment in the instance illustrated can be accomplished in a manner easily understood, the means for controlling the adjustment residing in a set-screw 12, carried by the stud member and bearing against the surface 6, the pits 7 whereof when used aiding rigidity of connection. The stud or supporting member is shown as threaded at 13, like the ordinary standard non-adjustable

stud, but its construction may be varied as desired and found suitable, just as that of the

ordinary stud is often varied.

Having thus described my invention fully with reference to certain embodiments there15 of, I wish it understood that I do not limit myself to these specific embodiments, nor to the use of my improved attachment with any specific conduit, nor in general otherwise than as set forth in the claims read in connection with this specification.

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

Patent, is—

1. An attachment of the class described for electrical conduit; comprising an attaching member; a stud or supporting member capable of angular axial adjustment relatively to said attaching member; means intermediate said members to accomplish said angular ad-

justment positively; and a collar connecting 30 said members to hold them in adjusted position.

2. A universally-adjustable fixture-stud; comprising an attaching member; a stud or supporting member; a set-screw to control 35 the angular axial relation of said members;

and a collar to connect said members.

3. An attachment of the class described; comprising an attaching member, having attaching means, a bearing-surface, and a 40 threaded periphery; a supporting member, having a stud or supporting portion, a flange, and a set-screw; and a collar, threaded internally to run upon said threaded periphery of said attaching portion and having a rim to engage said flange of said supporting member; said parts being rotatable about a common axis, with reference to which said supporting member is capable of angular adjustment controlled by said set-screw.

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