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Fig. 1.

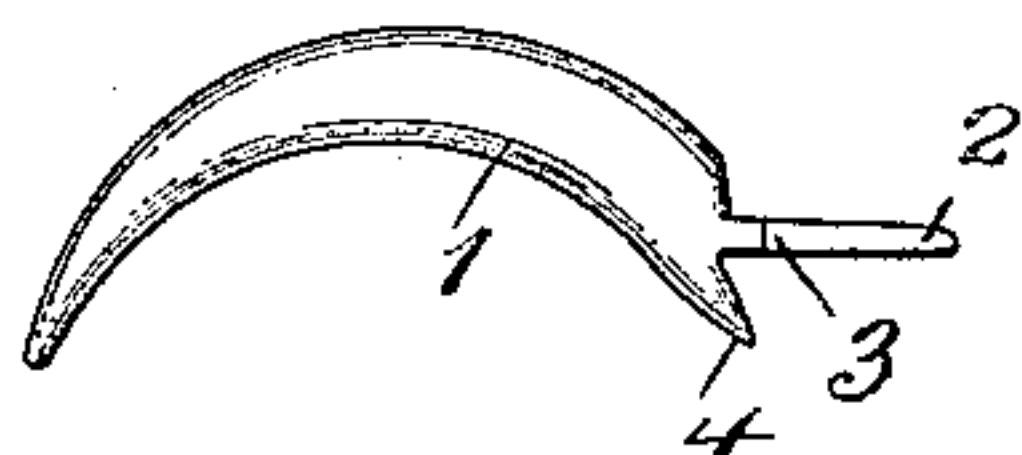
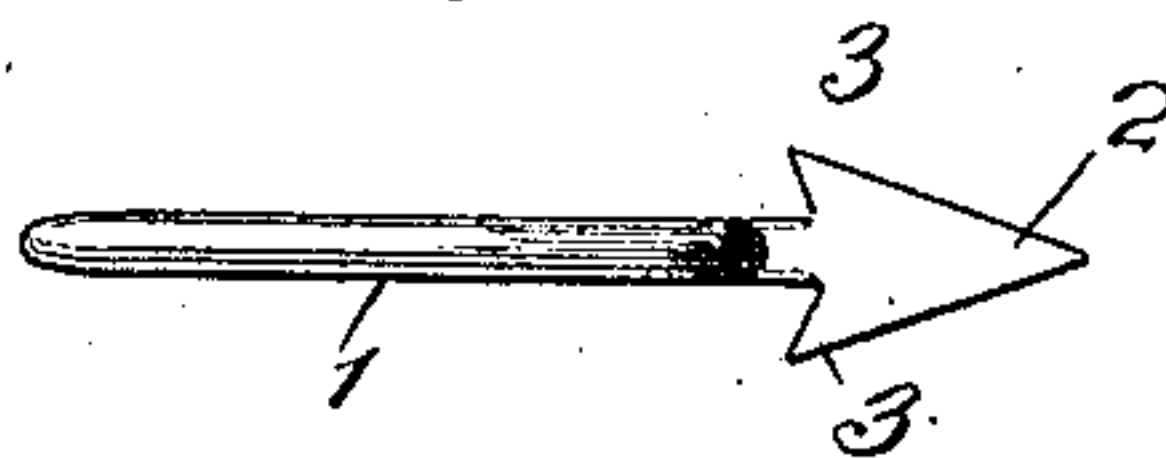


Fig. 2.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM GRABOWSKY, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Artificial Claws, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to artificial claws, for use in the taxidermist's art, and its object is to provide artificial claws provided with means for firmly securing them in place upon the paws of stuffed animals.

15 The invention comprises a claw made of any suitable composition and provided with an anchoring projection adapted to be inserted into the paw of the animal.

20 The construction of the improvement will be fully described hereinafter, in connection with the accompanying drawing which forms a part of this specification, and its novel features will be set forth in the appended claims.

25 In the drawing: Figure 1 is a side elevation of an artificial claw embodying the invention, and, Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same.

30 The reference numeral 1 designates the body of the claw molded from plastic material or any suitable composition, and provided with an integral projection 2 of arrow-head shape.

35 The barbs 3 of the arrow head projection serve to retain the claws in place, and the claw is curved to simulate the natural claw of the animal.

It will be apparent that the artificial claw constructed as above described may be readily applied, and will be securely retained in place by the engagement of its barbs 3 with the paw of the animal. As a further security against accidental displacement I provide the arrow shaped projection 2 with a supplemental prong 4 extending downward and adapted to penetrate the paw of the animal.

It will be understood that the claw is to be colored in imitation of the natural claw, and that the size and formation thereof will be varied to adapt it for use in taxidermy with different animals.

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

1. An artificial claw for use in taxidermy comprising a body portion and a barbed projection.

2. An artificial claw for use in taxidermy comprising a body-portion and a barbed projection, of arrow head shape.

3. An artificial claw for use in taxidermy comprising a body portion and a barbed projection of arrow head shape, formed with a depending supplemental prong.

4. An artificial claw for use in taxidermy, comprising a body-portion of molded material having an integral projection of arrow head shape, and a depending integral prong.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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