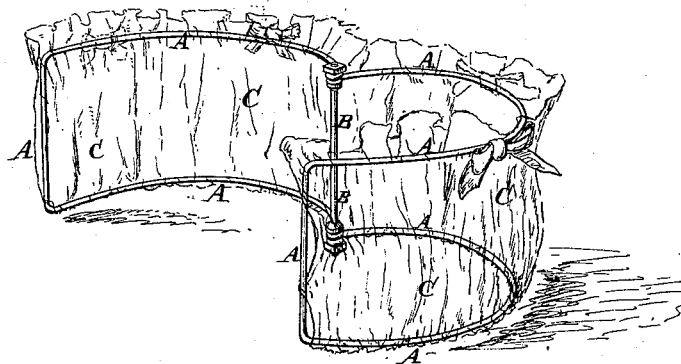


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IMPROVEMENT IN BIRD-CAGE SCREENS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GILBERT W. CHAPIN, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Bird-Cage Screen, of which the following is a specification:

The figure is a perspective view of my improved device shown as opened out.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved screen to be applied to the lower part of a bird-cage, to prevent the seed and shells from being scattered upon the floor, which shall be simple in construction, strong, durable, easily put on and taken off, shall be ornamental to the cage, may be trimmed to any desired extent, and shall be inexpensive in manufacture.

The invention consists in a bird-cage screen formed of the frame, made in two or more parts, connected together by rods, and the gauze to adapt it to be applied to a bird-cage.

A are two wires, which are bent in U shape, and have eyes formed upon the ends of their arms to receive the rod B, by which they are secured and hinged to each other. The frame may then be bent into a ring form, as shown

in the figure, or into other form to correspond with the form of the cage to which it is to be applied.

The frame may be made in more than two parts, hinged to each other by rods B, if desired.

C is a strip of gauze, tarlatan, or other suitable material, in which are formed shirrs or hems to receive the wires A, the eyes upon the ends of the wires A enabling them to be more readily inserted in said hems or shirrs.

The gauze C may be of any desired color, and may be ornamented with bows of ribbon or other ornaments.

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

A bird-cage screen formed of the frame A, made in two or more parts, connected together by rods B, and the gauze C, to adapt it to be applied to a bird-cage, substantially as herein shown and described.

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