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Picture Nail.

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Fig. 1.

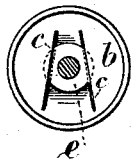


Fig. 3.

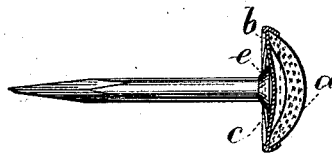
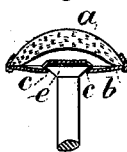


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PICTURE-NAILS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HUBERT L. JUDD, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Picture-Nails, of which the following is a specification:

Picture-nails have been made with recesses at the back for receiving the conical or the hook-shaped head of the nail, and in such cases the head has been provided with spring or yielding lips projecting back from the sheet metal of the ornamental head.

My invention consists of a head for picture-nails having a sheet-metal back, with a tapering or wedge-shaped recess for the reception of the conical head of the nail, the sheet metal being pressed back, and forming a spring that applies the required friction to the nail to hold the ornamental head in position.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view of the back of the ornamental head. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the same, showing the head as upon the nail; and Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the head.

The button or ornamental portion *a* of the head is of porcelain, glass, or other suitable material; and *b* is the sheet-metal back, held in place by a separate ring, or by the edges of the sheet metal being turned over the edges

of the ornamental head *a*. There are two incisions made in the sheet metal at an inclination toward each other, so as to form the converging edges *c c*, and the metal between them is pressed back into the head, so that it forms a recess and spring for the nail-head, and the distance between the edges *c c* is ample to allow for the introduction of the conical head *e* of the nail, so that the ornamental head can be attached to this head *e*, after the nail has been driven, by slipping the edges *c c* behind the conical portion of the head, so that such head is grasped in the form represented in Fig. 3.

The size of the parts is such that the nail-head will be clamped when near the middle of the ornamental head.

I claim as my invention—

The ornamental nail-head, made with a sheet-metal back, having the inclined incisions, forming lips *c c*, and the recessed portion between acting as a spring, substantially as set forth.

Signed by me this 12th day of February, A. D. 1878.

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