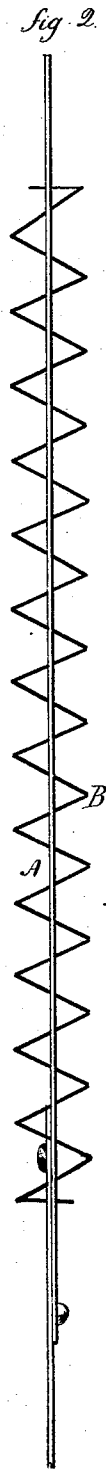
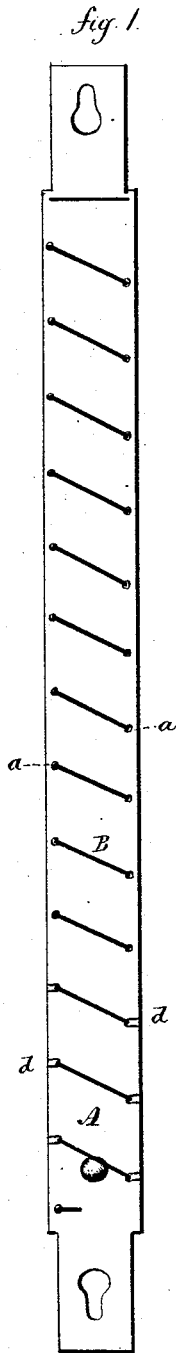


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BODIES FOR FLORAL DECORATIONS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. WARREN, of Watertown, in the county of Litchfield and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Body for Floral Decorations; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, side view; Fig. 2, edge view; Fig. 3, the method of filling the body.

This invention relates to an improvement in the body or form for making floral, evergreen, or similar decorations, designed with special reference to the making of wreaths, such as are usually made by tying sprigs to a cord, but applicable to other kinds of decorations.

The invention consists in a central base having an open coil of wire surrounding it to receive the stems, as more fully hereinafter described.

For the base A I prefer a flat strip of metal; but it may be of other suitable material in width, according to the size of the wreath to be produced. Near each edge this base is perforated, as at *a*, or may have notches cut there-

in; as at *d*. Through these perforations or notches a coiled wire, B, is run, as seen in Figs. 1 and 2. Each coil forms a loop, as seen in Fig. 2, into which the sprigs are stuck, as seen in Fig. 3. This greatly facilitates the making of the wreath, as the tucking can be performed much more rapidly than tying, as in the usual manner.

For wreaths the base should be flexible and made in sections, constructed so as to be united. This may be done as seen in the drawing, or otherwise. Forms for emblematic decoration may be made from these sections, or the body may be first made of the shape required for such emblem, and then the wire run thereon in the same manner.

By the expression "floral decoration" I wish to be understood as embracing this class of decoration generally.

I claim—

The herein-described body for floral decoration, consisting of the base A and coiled wire B, running through and through said base, substantially as specified.

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