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Door-Brace.

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Fig. 1.

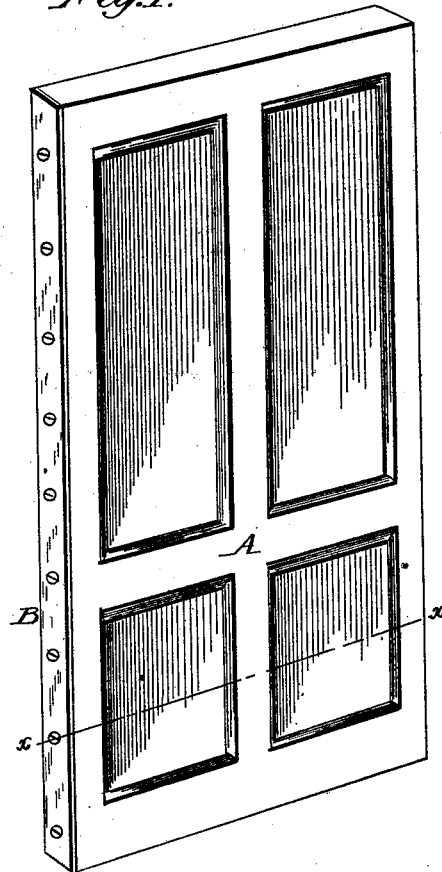
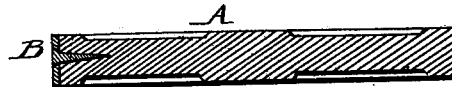


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN DOOR-BRACES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH LOUPRETTE, of Glens Falls, in the county of Warren and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Door-Braces, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a side perspective view of a door to which my improvement has been applied. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the same, taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish braces for doors to prevent the said doors from warping and springing away from the door-frames, and thus to insure a close closing of the said doors.

The invention consists in a door having a metal strap or brace secured longitudinally to its edge, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents an ordinary panel door, about the construction of which there is nothing new. To the edge of the door A is attached a

metal strap or brace, B, which extends the whole length of the door, and is secured in place by screws. The metal strap B holds the door A straight, preventing it from warping or springing, and thus braces it and causes it to shut closely.

I am aware that it is not new to attempt to straighten a warped door, board, or piece of timber by a rod fastened thereto at each end and provided with a pressure-screw in the middle; but

What I claim is—

The combination, with an ordinarily-constructed wooden door, of a metallic strip or brace secured to the edge of said door by a number of suitable fastenings a short distance apart, for the purpose of preventing warping, as set forth.

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