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Fig. 1.

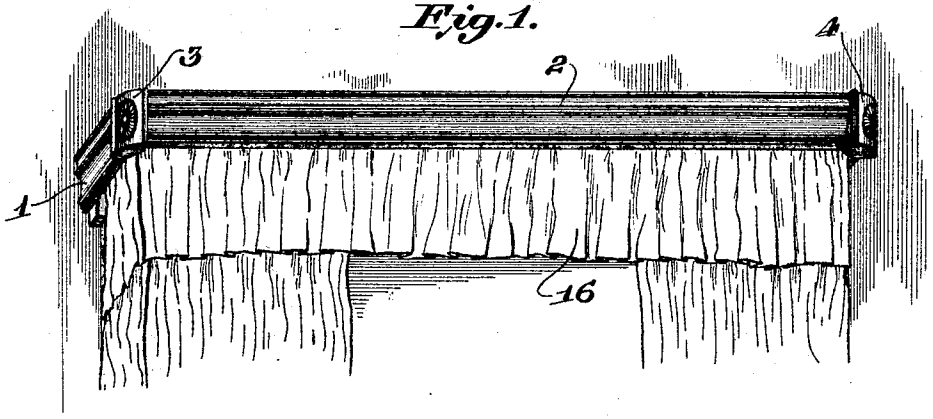


Fig. 2.

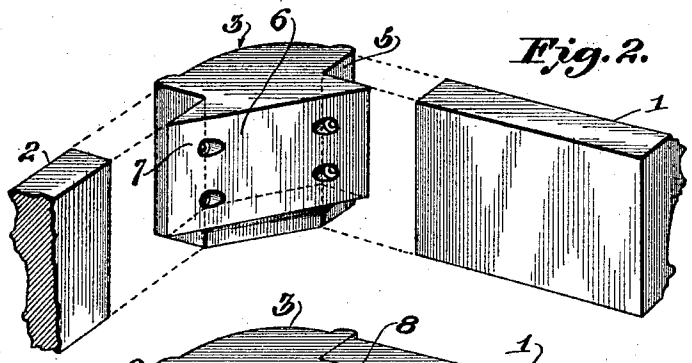


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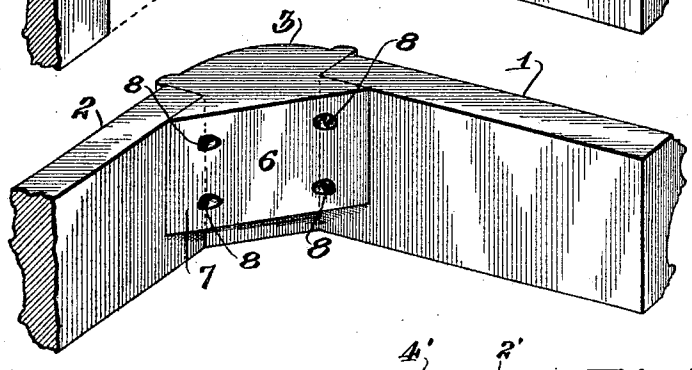
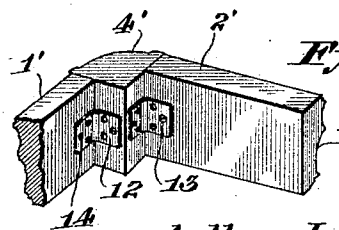


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR LEON NUSBAUM, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Baltimore, in the county of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Window Cornices; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, concise, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in window cornices and has for an object to provide a novel and ornamental form of cornice especially adapted for arrangement adjacent a window whereby to cover or conceal the poles, rods and other fittings employed to hang or support the window curtains and draperies, and to lend materially to the ornamental appearance of the same.

It is likewise an equally important object of the invention to provide a window cornice utilizing cornice blocks of such construction as will permit the cutting of the moulding pieces or strips to any desired lengths, whereupon the meeting ends thereof may be effectually and artistically jointed or interconnected, thus rendering the device particularly advantageous for fitting to windows or frames of different sizes.

Other objects of the invention will be in part obvious and pointed out hereinafter.

In order that the invention and its mode of operation may be readily understood by persons skilled in the art, I have in the accompanying illustrative drawings, and in the detailed following description based thereon, set out several embodiments of the same.

In these drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved window cornice "set up" with respect to a window and draperies thereof;

Figure 2 is a detail in perspective of one of the improved cornice blocks, and fragments of the angularly opposed portions of the cornice moulding pieces in position to be engaged with the opposite extremities of said block;

Figure 3 is a fragmentary detail in perspective showing the cornice moulding engaged and fixed the respect to the opposite extremities of the corner block; and

Figure 4 is a fragmentary detail in perspective of a slightly modified form of corner block for use in connection with the improved cornice.

Having more particular reference to the drawings in connection with which like characters of reference will designate corresponding parts throughout, the improved window cornice may be stated comprises front and side moulding pieces or running strips designated herein for the purpose of convenience by the numerals 1 and 2, the outer faces of said moulding pieces being provided with suitable or desirable forms of ornamentation, such as carving, frieze, etc. and corner blocks 3 and 4, these latter being adapted to effect connection between the angularly meeting ends of the side and front moulding pieces 1 and 2 in the manner generally indicated in Figure 1.

The corner blocks 3 and 4 are preferably constructed of wood or material similar to the moulding pieces 1 and 2 and as will be noted, each of these corner blocks are substantially triangular in cross section, the outer surfaces thereof being provided with such ornamentations as is indicated in Figure 1, while the opposite end portions of the blocks form plane shoulders against which the adjacent or meeting ends of the moulding strips 1 and 2 are adapted to abut, in the manner indicated in Figure 3. To permit the securing of the meeting angular ends of the strips 1 and 2 in abutting and flush contact with the shoulders of the corner blocks 3 and 4, designated at this time by the numeral 5, a substantially dove-tailed like extension 6 is arranged upon the inner side of said blocks 3 and 4 and the opposite portions of this extension extend short distances beyond the shoulders 5 as indicated by the numeral 7, hence, providing angularly opposed and similarly formed seats for the angularly meeting ends of the moulding strips 1 and 2, the inner side portions of the opposite ends of said strips 1 and 2 resting against the adjacent plane surfaces of the extensions 7 of said dove-tailed pieces 6. Openings are formed in the extended portions 7 of the dove-tailed pieces

6 and open onto the plane sides of the same adjacent the shoulders 5, thus permitting the passage of screws 8 or other suitable fastening devices therethrough into engagement with adjacent portions of the meeting ends of said strips 1 and 2, for securing the same in assembled relation as clearly indicated in Figure 3.

It is of course to be understood that various means or ways may be devised for securing the improved cornice in fixed and proper position with respect to a window frame or window, such as conditions or preference may dictate.

In Figure 4 I have shown a slightly modified form of corner block for the improved window cornice, the block herein being designated by the numeral 4′ and being formed of wood or other suitable material. Said block is substantially triangular in cross section, this angular formation being even more accentuated than it is in the aforesaid embodiment. In assembling the window cornice with the modified form of corner block 4′ the angularly opposed or meeting ends of the moulding strips 1′ and 2′ are flushly arranged against the angularly opposed plane surfaces of the corner blocks 4′ in the manner indicated and following this engagement, angularly formed bracket plates 12 and 13 are positioned adjacent the right angularly disposed surfaces provided by the relative arrangement of the inner faces of the moulding strips 1′ and 2′ on the adjacent plane surfaces of the opposed angular extremities of the corner blocks 4′ whereupon screws or similar fastening devices 14 are passed through the openings in such bracket plates and engage in adjacent portions of the moulding strips 1′ and 2′ and adjacent portions of the corner blocks 4′. In this way, a positive and firm connection will be effected as between the moulding strips 1′ and 2′ through the medium of the corner blocks 4′ and hence, it will be understood that with the arrangement of one of these corner blocks 4′ adjacent each of the angularly meeting ends of the moulding strips 1′ and 2′, an effectual means will be provided for maintaining the elements of the window cornice in assembled relation.

The outer sides and faces of the moulding strips 1′ and 2′, as well as the corner blocks 4′, of course, may be provided with any suitable means of ornamentation, such for example as indicated by the numeral 15 in the Figure 4.

In using my improved window cornice, the moulding strips, aforesaid, are assembled and fixedly connected in the manner described, whereupon the inner ends of the side moulding strips are fixedly secured in position with respect to the upper portion of a window frame, somewhat after the manner as indicated in Figure 1. The arrangement of the window cornice upon a window frame is such as to effect its positioning adjacent the upper portion of the window curtain or draperies 16, which as will be understood are received and supported through the medium of suitable accessories upon poles or similar devices attached or secured to adjacent parts of the upper portions of said window frame. Thus, it follows that the window cornice will serve to conceal the supports for the draperies or window curtains and likewise, will conceal those fittings or accessories employed to secure or arrange such curtains or draperies upon the support therefor if such be employed. In addition to concealing the mounting of the curtains or draperies upon the support therefor on the window frame, it will be furthermore appreciated, that the improved cornice will afford an attractive and ornamental device, lending materially to the interior decorations of a room equipped therewith.

Various forms of material may of course be utilized for the construction of the side and front moulding strips or pieces as may also the corner blocks be formed of various other materials other than wood, herein referred to. Likewise the ornamentation on the outer faces of the moulding strips and corner blocks may be applied by the heretofore practiced moulding processes, by carving, or by various other processes, common in and known to the art at this time.

Manifestly, the constructions shown herein are capable of still other modifications and therefor, it is to be understood that such modifications as are within the scope of the appended claims I consider within the spirit of my invention.

I claim:

1. A window cornice comprising side and front moulding pieces, and corner blocks having right angularly opposed shoulders thereon and adapted to receive the adjacent ends of said side and front moulding pieces, the outer faces of said blocks being ornamented, and fastening means passed through the inner sides of the shoulders from the inner sides of said blocks into engagement with adjacent portions of said side and front moulding pieces.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a frame including side and front running strips together with corner blocks, said running strips having right angularly cut meeting ends, said blocks each having outwardly bulged ornamented exposed faces and vertically extending substantially V-shaped recesses at their ends to receive the meeting ends of said strips, said blocks having openings in their inner faces, communicating with said recesses, and fastening elements passing through said openings and into the strips and terminating inwardly of the exposed faces of said strips.

3. A window cornice comprising side and front moulding pieces, corner blocks substantially triangular in cross section, each of said corner blocks having dove-tailed extensions upon the inner sides thereof, portions of said dove-tailed extensions being extended beyond certain of the sides of said corner blocks and forming thereon angularly opposed right angularly formed shoulders adapted to flushly receive the adjacent ends of the side and front moulding pieces, the outer faces of said corner blocks being ornameted and fastening means passed through the inner sides of said shoulders by way of the inner sides of said dove-tailed like extensions and into engagement with adjacent portions of said moulding pieces for inter-connecting the same.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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