

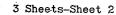
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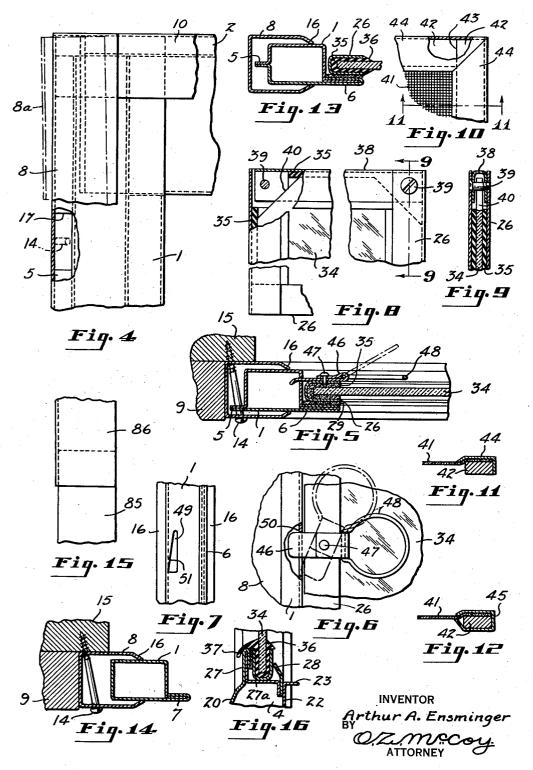
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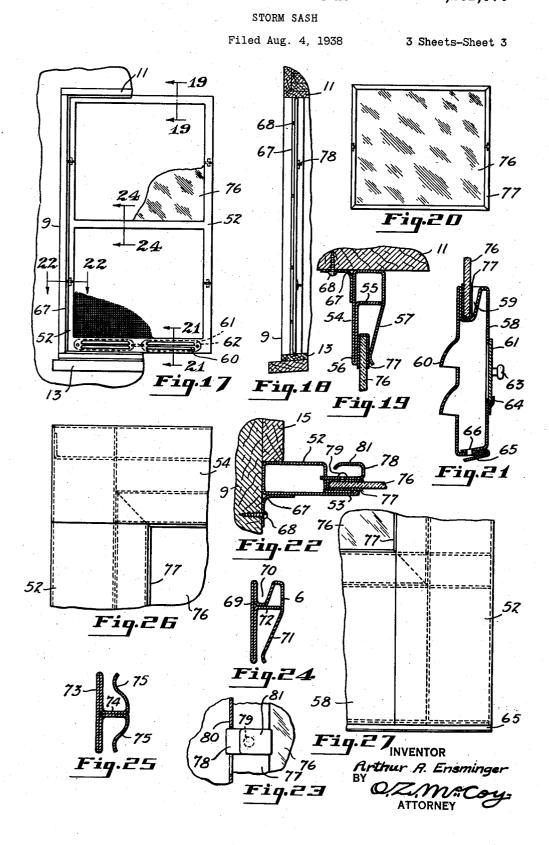




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STORM SASH

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This invention relates to combination storm and screen sashes and more particularly to an adjustable all-year sash with seasonably interchangeable panels.

An object of the present invention is to im- 5 prove the combination storm and screen sash that is disclosed in my issued Patent 2,013,824, dated September 10, 1935.

Another object is to provide a sash that is adapted for fitting snugly into building apertures 10 that are not of accurate dimensions and that have become slightly deformed or out of true from the settling of the building and the weathering, warping, and the like, of the wood of which 15 the aperture casing is made.

A further object is to provide an adjustable seal that makes sliding engagement with the frame of an article in an aperture and that may be drawn tightly against both the aperture casing and the frame of the article that is mounted 20 in the aperture casing to form a wind arresting storm seal with both.

Another object is to provide a sash frame that contains a thermally insulating normally dead air space substantially throughout its length. 25

Another object is to provide a storm sash installation for windows and the like that minimizes the decay of the window sill by minimizing the retention of water therebetween and the development of condensation on the inner side. 30

Another object is to provide a glass panel wherein the glass is protected from strain, and where preferred, a panel wherein the glass may be simply and easily replaced when broken.

A further object is to provide a glass panel ³⁵ deflector packing that deflects the water and the rubber blade of a window cleaning tool past the junction of the glass with the packing, and that may protectingly cover adjoining parts where desired.

A further object is to provide an improved panel keeper that may both lift and fasten a sash in the frame.

Another object is to provide a seal that is adjustable on an article frame both toward and 45 away from the article and, if desired, longitudinally of the seal.

Another object is to provide a simply constructed screen frame that has butt welded corners.

Other objects are to provide a sash assembly that embodies various refinements and modifications that have been found by experience to be of practical advantage in both manufacturing Fig. 16 is a section of an extended waves us-55 flecting lower edge of a glass panel, as applied

With the above and other objects in view that will be apparent to those who are familiar with the art to which the present invention pertains, illustrative embodiments of the invention are disclosed in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Fig. 1 is an elevation from indoors of a combination storm and screen sash mounted in a building aperture;

Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary section taken along the line 2-2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is an elevation from outdoors of the broken away lower part of the sash that is shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is an enlarged elevation of a broken away corner of the sash frame with its adjustable sliding seal shown against the sash frame in full lines and adjusted away from the sash frame to completely fill the building aperture in which the sash is mounted in dot and dash lines;

Fig. 5 is an enlarged section of the side frame, sliding seal, panel and keeper, taken along the line 5-5 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 6 is an enlarged view that is partly broken away, of the panel keeper that is shown in Fig. 5;

Fig. 7 is an enlarged elevation of the keeper engaging portion of the sash frame;

Fig. 8 is an enlarged fragmentary view of a glass panel of the type that has a screw securing removable portion in its frame for glass replacement:

Fig. 9 is a section taken along the line 9-9 of Fig. 8;

Fig. 10 is an enlarged view of a corner of a removable screen panel;

Fig. 11 is a screen panel section taken along the line [1-1] of Fig. 10;

Fig. 12 is a section of a modified screen panel 40 that has an enclosing surfaced frame;

Fig. 13 is a section of a sash side portion of the frame, sliding seal, and panel assembly that shows a glass panel that has a deflector frame construction:

Fig. 14 is a section of an installed sash frame side member that is secured together along its panel supporting flange;

Fig. 15 is a multiple sectioned axially tele-50 scoping sash frame seal that permits a limited elongation or shortening adjustment as well as a lateral adjustment of the seal on the sash frame;

2...... to the bottom cross bar of the assembly that is

shown in Fig. 2; Fig. 17 is an indoor elevation of an insulated

modified sash assembly;

Fig. 18 is a side elevation of the sash that is 5 shown in Fig. 17;

Fig. 19 is an enlarged section of the top cross bar of the sash frame, taken along the line 19-19 of Fig. 17;

Fig. 20 is a plan view of a glass panel that 10 may be removably installed in a sash frame;

Fig. 21 is an enlarged section of the bottom cross bar of the sash frame, taken along the line 21-21 of Fig. 17;

Fig. 22 is an enlarged section of one of the 15 sash frame side bars and panel keeper, taken along the line 22-22 of Fig. 17;

Fig. 23 is a view, partly in section, of the panel keeper that is shown in Fig. 22;

Fig. 24 is an enlarged section of the middle bar 20 of the sash frame, taken along the line 24-24 of Fig. 17;

Fig. 25 is an enlarged section of a modified middle bar for a sash frame;

Fig. 26 is an enlarged broken away outdoor 25 elevation of an upper corner of the sash frame that is shown in Fig. 17; and

Fig. 27 is an enlarged broken away outdoor elevation of a lower corner of the sash frame that is shown in Fig. 17. 30

The combination storm and screen sash assembly that embodies an illustrative part of the present invention, comprises a sash frame that is made up of a pair of hollow side members I, a top cross bar 2, a middle cross bar 3, and a 35 bottom cross bar 4, that are secured together at their junctions in any appropriate manner, as by welding, rivets, or the like.

The individual sash frame members, including the cross bar portions, are preferably hollow 40 and are made of shaped, suitable sheet material that may have its edges secured together in any desired manner, as by welding or the like, and that may have a weld strip portion 5 forming a part thereof, if desired. Where the weld strip structure is adopted, the weld strip may occupy an edge, or it may be disposed between the edges, as shown in Fig. 13, or it may occupy other suitable or advantageous location on the particular sash frame member. 50

Suitable outdoor panel receiving flanges form a part of the various sash frame members, such as the side member outdoor flanges 6.

The sash frame member that is shown in Fig. 14 is formed from a single strip of material and, 55 if welded together at all, may be welded along its panel receiving outdoor flange 7.

The sash frame is mounted in a building aperture with preferably a sliding seal in adjustably secured contact with the sash frame. 60

In the structure shown, a pair of seal side members 8 closely abut the building aperture side casings 9, the sliding seal top member 10 abuts the head casing 11, and the sliding seal bottom member 12 rests on the sill 13. Each of 65 these sliding seal members may be adjusted toward or away from a part of the sash frame, as shown in dot and dash lines 8a in Fig. 4, or longitudinal thereof, so that no objectionable crack appears between the seal and the building aper- 70 29 may be interposed between the panel frame ture casing.

The sliding seal shown in Fig. 5, is of substantially channel shape, with a plurality of side walls extending from a base portion. Where

that is shown in Fig. 15 may be used. In this structure the inner telescoping seal 85 slides longitudinally into the outer telescoping seal 86. The division is preferably substantially midway between the ends of the assembled seal.

The sliding seal members are secured in the building aperture at desired locations by suitable means, such as by the screws 14 that enter the building aperture blind stop 15 and that draw the sash frame contacting, preferably inclined, free edges 16 of the seal members into close clamping engagement with the contacted parts of the sash frame. The sash frame screw holes, it will be noted, are preferably, altho not necessarily, offset slightly with respect to each other so that the screws 14 have sufficient slant to draw the seal tightly against the casing of the building aperture. Where the mold strip structure is used, the weld strip 5 is cut away, as at 17, to provide ample clearance for the proper positioning of the screws.

The bottom seal member 12 has a desired number of drainage and breather apertures 18 in the indoor side thereof for permitting a limited air circulation through the sash. It also has a fluid drainage aperture 19 that is offset and not in alignment with the apertures 18 and which permits the escape of any wind-borne water or the like that is carried into the interior chamber of the hollow frame bottom bar 4 through the ventilation louvers 20 that are disposed in the outdoor side of the bottom bar 4, and that flows into the seal bottom member through the drain aperture 21 in the sash frame bottom bar 4.

Ample areas of the seal bottom member 12 and the sill 13 are preferably exposed to the drying action of air to minimize the retention of water therebetween. This end is accomplished in the disclosed structure by the edge engagement of the lower face of the seal bottom member 12 with the inclined sill 13.

The screws 14 are preferably drawn sufficiently tight so that the side members of the seal substantially support the bulk of the weight of the sash assembly to provide substantially a floating sash and to minimize the settling of the sash assembly on the building aperture sill. The weld strip 5 on the sash frame bottom bar 4 may, if desired, be disposed on the indoor side of the lower face of the frame bottom bar to shorten the moment arm in the force distribution of the weight from the sash assembly through the seal bottom member 12 to the sill 13.

Suitable means is provided for permitting the passage of air through the sash on pleasant winter days, such as the shutter 22 that is provided with the hand grip 23 and that is opened in any desired manner, as by causing its rotation on the pin 24. The stop 25, or the like, arrests the shutter 22 in its closed position.

The bottom cross bar 4 receives a panel frame, such as the frame 26 of the glass panel that is shown in the lower panel aperture, in a suitable upwardly opening channel, such as that formed by the outdoor panel receiving flange 27 and the indoor flange 28 that may be inclined or not. as preferred and the cross brace 21a that forms the base of the channel. Suitable sash frame packing and a part of the panel receiving channel, if desired.

The middle cross bar 3 of the sash frame has a downwardly opening channel of ample depth to desired, the modified telescoping seal member 75 permit the easy clearing of the bottom bar indoor

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flange 28 on the introduction of the panel into the lower panel aperture, as by positioning the brace member 40 above the middle of the cross bar, or by similar provision.

The middle cross bar lower flange portion of the indoor strip 31 is preferably, tho not necessarily, of sufficient length to support a panel in the lower panel aperture when the lower bar of the panel frame is seated in the upwardly opening channel of the bottom cross bar. 10

The middle cross bar has an upwardly opening panel frame receiving channel of which the brace 30, or similar panel supporting means, forms the base or bottom and the upper flange portions of the indoor strip 31 and of the outdoor portion 15 of the middle cross bar 3 forms the sides.

The top cross bar 2 of the sash frame opens downwardly in a panel frame receiving channel of ample depth so that the bottom bar portion of the panel frame may clear the upper flange 20 edge of the middle bar inside strip 31.

The top cross bar brace 32 imparts strength and firmness to the top bar by being positioned preferably rather low in the top bar and by being secured, as by a weld, or the like, to both the 25 outdoor part of the top bar and to the indoor portion 33.

During the winter months glass panels are positioned in the panel receiving apertures in the panel frame. The glass panel frame 26 prefer-30 ably extends along the periphery of the glass 34 to provide a uniform thickness for the edge of the panel and to permit the handling of the panel without danger of hand injury from an exposed glass edge.

A desired packing material 35 may be interposed between the glass and the frame, if preferred, as shown in Fig. 5. The packing material, if soft and resilient, prolongs the life of the glass by its absorption of shocks or torque to which the 40 ture may, if desired, terminate on a level with an panel frame may be subjected.

The packing 35 is shown in Figs. 13 and 16, as having the deflector portion 36 that extends along the glass beyond the frame and that imparts an atractively finished appearance to the panel. The 45 deflector portion 36 simplifies the cleaning of the window panels by deflecting the water and the rubber strips of a window cleaning tool beyond the junction of the glass and the packing without the deposit of objectionable water at the edge of 50 the glass.

The deflector portion 36 may also protectively overlie the edge of the glass panel frame and, if desired, extend continuously beyond the sash frame packing 29 and the edge of a sash frame 55 material. The sash frame comprises a pair of panel receiving channel, as the strip 37 that is shown in Fig. 16, to protectively deflect the flow of water thereacross, where the packing 35 is of waterproof material, such as rubber or the like.

The glass panel frame 26 is secured together at 60 the corners in any suitable manner, as by having its overlapping parts welded together, as shown in the lower corner of Fig. 8, where the frame is of metal, or the like.

The glass panel frame may be adapted for the c_5 panel therebetween. replacement of glass therein, if desired. In the structure that is shown in Fig. 8, one or more sections 38 of the frame, with its packing 35, may be removably secured to the remainder of the 70frame by suitable means, such as by the screws 39. A portion of the glass may be removed to provide clearance for the screw, as where the corner is cut away at 40, or the like.

are kept in storage and screening panels are in use in the sash.

The screen wire 41 in the screen panel is mounted on thescreen frame in any suitable manner, as by having its edge secured by welding, or otherwise, where the core is of metal or the like, to the screen frame core 42, that may be solid bar stock, as shown, or hollow to decrease the weight of the panel, as preferred.

For the present use it has been found that ample strength is imparted to the corners of the screen panel where the core 42 is abutted and spot welded deeply at the line of abutment, as at 43, on the face and the outer edge of the core 42.

A finished appearance is imparted to the screen panel frame in any suitable manner, as where sheet material 44 is applied to overlie the contact between the screen wire 41 and the core 42, or where a desired sheet material 45 substantially incloses the frame core 42.

The panels are preferably secured in the panel receiving apertures of the sash frame by suitable means, such as the keepers 46, that are operatively interposed between the panel and the sash frame in any preferred manner.

In the illustrated structure shown, the keeper 46 is rotatably mounted on a panel frame by suitable means, such as by the rivet 47. The keeper is provided with a suitable hand operating means, such as the ring 48 that is advantageous in that it may be folded back against the sash frame so that it is not objectionably visible from the outdoor side of the sash.

The sash frame engaging end of the keeper 35 contacts the sash frame in any desired manner to firmly secure the panel within the sash frame. In the structure shown, the sash frame is apertured, as at 49, for the reception of the sash frame engaging end of the keeper. The sash frame aperedge of the keeper, as at 50, so that leverage is available to lift the panel up out of the channel in which the lower part of its frame rests, or to press the panel frame down into its channel, as desired.

Where desired, an edge 51 of the aperture in the sash frame may be inclined sufficiently so that, as the sash frame-engaging end of the keeper is operated against it, the panel frame is pressed toward and is secured closely against the sash frame packing 29.

The modified storm sash and screen assembly that is shown in Figs. 17–27 inclusive of the drawings comprises a plurality of sash frame members that are preferably shaped from single strips of hollow side members 52 that are provided with outdoor panel supporting flanges 53 against which panels are removably positioned.

The top bar 54 of the sash frame comprises hollow portions above and below a partition element or strengthening brace 55. The outdoor flange 56 is spaced from the indoor flange 57 sufficiently so that the indoor flange may yieldingly permit the insertion of the frame of a removable

The bottom cross bar 58 of the sash frame is hollow and terminates upwardly in a panel-receiving channel 59. Provision for permitting ventilation through the bottom bar is made by suitable means such as the rain-deflecting and air-admitting, downwardly opening louvers 60 in the outdoor face of the bottom bar, and a shutter 61 that is movable, as by being mounted on the pin 62 or the like, and that is operated by During the summer months the glass panels 75 suitable means, such as the handle 63. A rest for

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the shutter in its closed position is provided, such as the stop 64.

A suitable, yielding sill sealing means, such as the spring metal strip 65, is disposed at the lower edge of the sash frame bottom cross bar, 5 in any desired manner, as by being clamped between parts thereof as shown. It may be welded in place or not, as desired, and serves to substantially close the junction between the sash frame and the sill 13 on which the sash frame 10 rests. Suitable apertures 66 in the bottom bar permit the draining away of any wind borne water that may enter the bottom cross bar thru the louvers 60.

The sash frame is adjustably mounted in the 15building aperture casing in a desired manner, as by being adjustably interposed between the blind stop 15 and a sealing strip 67 that is secured in place by suitable means, such as the screws 68. The sealing strip 67 is drawn into close pressing engagement against the frame of the sash and 20 serves to close against the admission of wind, any crack that may exist between the sash frame and the building aperture side casings 9 or the head casing 11.

Where the building aperture is of a size that 25 requires a plurality of removable sashes, a suitable middle cross bar is provided, such as the middle bar 69 that opens upwardly in a panel receiving groove or channel 10 having spaced wall elements one of which is inclined at an acute angle to the plane of the panel, as shown. The downwardly depending spring flange 71 is disposed on the indoor side of the middle bar and is spaced from the stiff outdoor part of the bar 35 so that the upper edge of the removable panel may be inserted therebetween. The brace or partition element 72 extends across the middle bar 69 and assists in imparting rigidity thereto.

A modified middle cross bar 73 is shown in Fig. 25 of the drawings, wherein a double thickness of metal, as in the middle bar 69, forms the outdoor side of the bar and extends toward the indoor side thereof to provide the brace portion 14, from which it divides into the more resilient single thicknesses of metal and provides the upwardly and downwardly extending spring indoor panel gripping flanges 75. The upwardly and the downwardly opening channels that are so positioned yieldingly receive upper and lower panel frames thereinto.

The parts of the sash frame are preferably secured together by suitable overlap structures, such as those that are shown in Figs. 26 and 27 of the drawings, and may be welded, riveted, 55 soldered, or otherwise fastened to impart rigidity to the frame.

The removable glass panels comprise the sheet of glass 76, that preferably has its edge protectively enclosed in a frame of suitable material, such as the metal 77 that may be replaced where 60 desired, by rubber, a plastic, a fabric or the like, to minimize the breaking of the glass and to prevent cuts and injuries to the hands of anyone handling the panels, and also to insure a panel edge of uniform thickness thruout its length.

Suitable means may be used, if preferred, for rigidly securing the panels in the sash frame. The form of securing device that is shown in the Figs. 22 and 23, comprises a J-shaped keeper 78 that is made of metal or the like, and that is movably mounted on the panel frame 77 by suitable means, such as the rivet 19. The tip of the longer arm of the keeper 78 enters an aperture 80 in the side sash frame 52 to lock the panel in position. The aperture \$0 in the side sash frame 75 of a building aperture, each sealing member ex-

52 preferably terminates in an upper edge that is substantially level with the upper edge of the keeper 78, so that by pressing down on the keeper handle 81 the bottom edge of the sash panel is pressed down into the groove into which it seats. The reverse action is accomplished where the keeper lower edge is level with the lower edge of the aperture 80.

Removable panels are inserted and secured in the sash frame from preferably the inside of the building. The panels may be of sheet metal during such time as the building is unoccupied, glass for winter, and screen for summer.

The combination of the resiliently yielding top, bottom and side sealing members 8, 10 and 12 provides a supporting frame that may be used in window openings of considerable variation in size and shape and receive a standard size and shape of window assembly that is secured in place by the yielding pressure of the contacting edge portions of the sealing members. This edge contact is of sufficiently small area to minimize the heat transfer between the metal surfaces. The yielding contact removes all strain incident to expansion and contraction of the building or of the window parts from one another, so that there is no warping or objectionable strains imposed upon the window assembly. This floating or free moving action of the window assembly prevents the development of objectionable cracks or openings and maintains adequate seal between the window assembly and the window casing during all weather conditions.

The formation of the dead air spaces or cells, by reason of the hollow sheet metal construction of these parts, and the small area of contact between metal surfaces, minimizes the transfer of heat through the assembled unit. The dead air spaces or cells are so divided by the structural formation of the metal parts that there is a minimum circulation of air within the structure and a minimum replacement of the air confined within the structure.

The dead air space or air cell formed by the sealing members 8, 10 and 12 overlap the dead air space or cell formed within the window frame, the only contact between the metal in the side wall of the sealing members and the window frame being at the inner edge portions of the sealing members that engage the side wall of the 50 sash frame.

For the purpose of further minimizing the transfer of heat and providing additional heat insulating properties to the structure, the metal parts are given an internal and external surface finish of a bright reflecting metallic paint or coating, such as aluminum paint, chrome plating or other radiant heat reflecting material.

It is to be understood that the particular constructions of sash frame members, seals and panels that are shown and described herein are presented for the purposes of illustration and explanation and that various modifications in the particular shapes, constructions and applications may be made without departing from the invention as defined by the appended claims.

What I claim is:

1. A storm sash for mounting in a window aperture of a building comprising, a metallic pan-70 el receiving frame having rigidly connected side and transverse bars, side and transverse sealing members mounted on side and transverse bars of said frame for sealing the spaces between edges of the said panel receiving frame and the walls

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tending substantially the full length of the frame bar upon which it is mounted and being slidably mounted upon its frame bar for sidewise bodily movement and for tilting movements in the plane of said frame, each sealing member being adjustable independently of the others, whereby said sealing members are adapted to seat upon side and transverse walls of building apertures which vary in spacing and angularity, and means for the building aperture and for securing said panel receiving frame in fixed position with respect to the sealing members.

2. A storm sash for mounting in a window aperture of a building comprising, a metallic pan- 15 el receiving frame having rigidly connected side and transverse bars, side and transverse sealing members mounted on side and transverse bars of said frame for sealing the spaces between edges of the said panel receiving frame and the walls 20 of a building aperture, each sealing member being in the form of a channel bar and extending the full length of the frame bar on which it is mounted and having inwardly extending flanges slidably engaging opposite side faces of the frame 25 bar, the side and transverse sealing members having slidably interfitting end portions and each sealing member being movable independently of the others in the plane of the panel receiving frame to seat upon side and transverse walls of a 30 building aperture, and means for securing said sealing members to the walls of the building aperture and for clamping said panel receiving frame between the flanges of the sealing members.

3. A storm sash for mounting in a window 35 aperture of a building comprising, a panel receiving frame having rigidly connected side and transverse hollow metal bars provided with flat inner and outer side faces, side and transverse sealing members mounted on side and transverse 40 bars of said frame, each sealing member being formed of sheet metal and of channel shape, having a base portion adapted to engage a wall of a building aperture and resilient flanges having 45 inturned edge portions slidably engaging the inner and outer flat faces of the frame bars, each sealing member extending the full length of the frame bar upon which it is mounted, one sealing member slidably receiving the end of another at corners of the frame, whereby the sealing members 50are independently adjustable sidewise and angularly in the plane of the panel receiving frame to seat upon the walls of a building aperture, and means for holding said sealing members in place against the walls of the window aperture and for 55applying a clamping pressure to the flanges of the sealing members to hold the panel receiving frame in fixed position with respect to the sealing members.

4. An auxiliary window for use with a perma- 60 nent one, including an outer member attachable to the permanent window, said outer member being composed of sides and ends each of channel formation having their channels facing inwardly, the sides and ends being free of connection with 65 a panel receiving frame including rigidly coneach other to provide for adjustability in attachment and for expansion and contraction, a paneled inner member having sides and ends receivable in the channels of the outer member, the 70 sides and ends of the inner member being disposed with free space between same and the corresponding sides and ends of the outer member, whereby to provide for tractability of the inner member relative to the outer member, and 75 means for drawing the flanges together to clamp

yieldable means to seal the outer portions of the channels against the ingress of air into the spaces aforesaid between the two members.

5. An auxiliary window in accordance with claim 4, wherein the inner member has slotted parts which extend toward the normal bottoms of the outer member, and wherein there are fastenings which extend through the sides of the outer member and through the slots of the securing said sealing members to the walls of 10 slotted parts to simultaneously connect the members to the casing of the permanent window.

6. An auxiliary window in accordance with claim 4, wherein the inner member has reinforcing flanges which extend toward the normal bottoms of the outer member, and which flanges have slotted parts, and wherein there are fastenings which extend through the sides of the outer member and through the slots of the slotted parts to simultaneously connect the members to the casing of the permanent window.

7. An auxiliary window in accordance with claim 4, wherein the yieldable sealing means is provided by forming the free edge portions of the outer member with a part which projects inwardly at an angle toward, and frictionally contacts with, the adjacent portions of the inner member.

8. A building aperture sash, comprising in combination, a sash frame substantially rigid throughout its length, and a sash frame gripping seal that closely abuts the surface of the periphery of said building aperture and that is slidable both longitudinally of and toward and away from said sash frame in being mounted on said sash frame in adjustable tilting relation with the edge thereof.

9. A building aperture sash, comprising in combination, a sash frame for mounting in the casing forming the periphery of the building aperture, a three sided hollow seal having a pair of spaced edges in compressed adjustably tiltable engagement against opposite sides of said sash frame, and a screw entering said casing and having a head portion engaging one side of said seal and adjustably clamping both edges of said seal against said frame.

10. A structure of the character described for mounting across a building aperture comprising a panel receiving frame including rigidly connected side and transverse frame members, channel shaped sealing members embracing portions of the frame members and having spaced flanges slidable over opposite faces of the frame members for tilting and bodily movement of the sealing members relative to the frame members in adjusting the structure to apertures of different sizes and shapes, and means extending through the flanges of the sealing members for securing the structure in place and for drawing the flanges together to clamp the frame members therebetween.

11. A structure of the character described for mounting across a building aperture comprising nected side and transverse frame members, channel shaped sealing members of thin metal embracing portions of the frame members and having spaced flanges slidable over opposite faces of the frame members for tilting and bodily movement of the sealing members relative to the frame members in adjusting the structure to apertures of different sizes and shapes, and

the frame members therebetween and hold the structure in adjustment.

12. A structure of the character described for mounting across a building aperture comprising a panel receiving frame including rigidly connected side and transverse frame members having inside and outside faces, sealing members of channel form embracing portions of the frame members and engaging the faces thereof, said sealing members being individually slidable on ¹⁰ the frame members for bodily movement relative to the frame members to embrace larger or smaller portions thereof and for tilting movement relative to the frame members in the plane of the latter, and means for securing the structure across a building aperture.

13. A structure of the character described for mounting across a building aperture comprising

a panel receiving frame including rigidly connected side and transverse frame members, channel shaped sealing members of thin metal embracing portions of the frame members and having spaced flanges slidable over opposite faces of the frame members for tilting and bodily movement of the sealing members relative to the frame members in adjusting the structure to apertures of different sizes and shapes, and means for drawing the flanges together to clamp the frame members therebetween and hold the structure in adjustment, the marginal edge portion of one flange of each sealing member being bent toward the other flange thereof whereby said edges of thin metal are forced against and make line contacts with the frame members.

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