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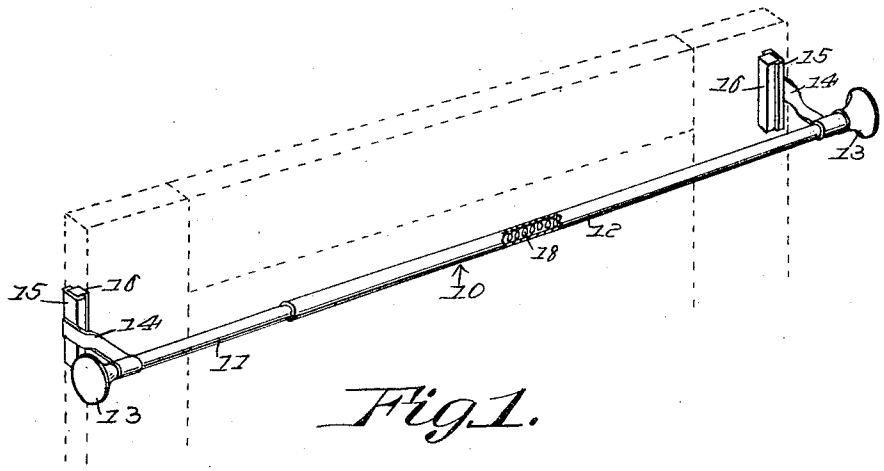


Fig. 1.

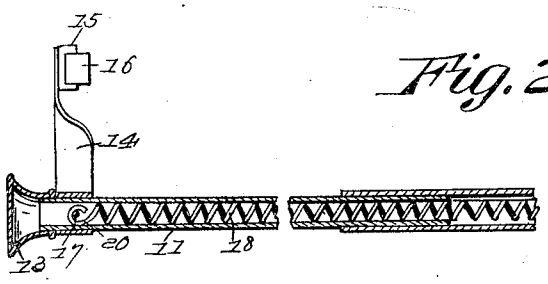
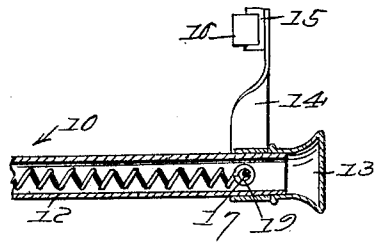


Fig. 2.



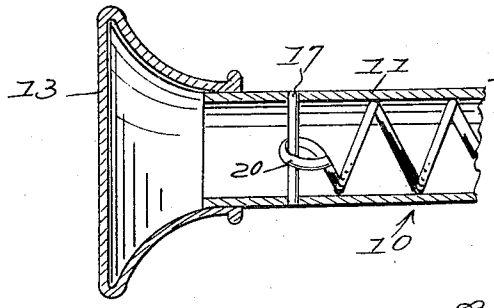


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that JOHN W. BROOKS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Boise, in the county of Ada and State of Idaho, has invented new and useful Improvements in Curtain Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple, inexpensive and efficient curtain holder or pole adapted for supporting curtains, draperies and the like in proper relation to the frames of windows, doors, arches and the like and adapted to retain itself in the proper position for supporting such curtains or draperies without supplemental fastening means and regardless of variations in the dimensions of the frames of the windows, doors or other openings to which the same may be applied; and with these objects in view the invention consists in the construction and combination of parts of which a preferred embodiment is shown in the accompanying drawing, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view of the holder applied in the operative position to a window-frame or casing.

Figure 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same.

Figure 3 is an enlarged detail section showing the connection of one end of the contractional spring through the inner telescoping member of the extension bar.

The device consists essentially of an extensible bar 10 comprising the inner and outer telescoping members 11 and 12 which may be provided at their remote ends with any suitable ornamental terminals such as the knobs 13, adjacent to which the members are attached to brackets 14 terminating in transverse channeled shoes 15 in which are fitted yielding frictional cushions 16 of rubber or like material for insuring a frictional engagement with the side edges of the window or door frame or casing without marring or abraiding the same or the paint varnish or other finishing or surfacing material with which the same may be provided.

In practice the brackets may consist of flat straps of metal twisted between their extremities which are respectively attached to the rod members and the shoes, to dispose the latter in vertical positions in planes transverse to the length of the extensible rod, so as to secure an extended bearing upon the side edges of the casing or frame to which the same may be applied, in order that sufficient resistance may be offered thereby to prevent the displacement of the rod under the weight of the draperies imposed thereon.

The members of the rod are preferably tubular, and intersecting the same at the remote or closed ends are transverse pins or screws 17 for engagement respectively with the extremities of a contractional coiled spring 18 designed to permit the yielding extension of the rod by the telescoping movement of the members thereof while exerting a contractional strain upon said members to maintain the cushions of the bracket shoes in engaging and supporting relation with the side edges of the window or door casing to which they may be fitted, it being understood that the application of the device to such a frame or casing is effected by the extension of the bar sufficiently to properly position the shoes, and the subsequent release thereof to permit the contractional effect of the spring to hold the device in place.

In practice the spring is preferably provided at one end with an eye 19 for engaging the transverse pin in the exterior tubular member of the bar and at the other end with an open hook 20 for engagement with the transverse pin in the smaller or inner member of the bar, so that with the spring in place in the outer tubular member the inner member may be fitted into the outer member and advanced to dispose the hooked end of the spring adjacent to the pin of the latter, whereupon a rotary movement of the members of the bar relative to each other will cause the engagement of the hooked end of the spring with the pin of the inner member.

Having described the invention, what I claim is:

A curtain holder having an extensible bar consisting of telescoping tubular members connected by a contractional spring housed therein, brackets attached to the extremities of said members and consisting of twisted straps terminating in shoes extended in planes transverse to the length of the bar and provided with inwardly facing seats, and yielding frictional cushions fitted in said seats.

In testimony whereof he affixes his signature.

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