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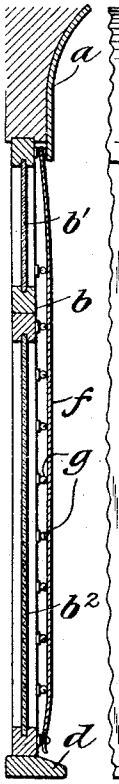


Fig. 1.

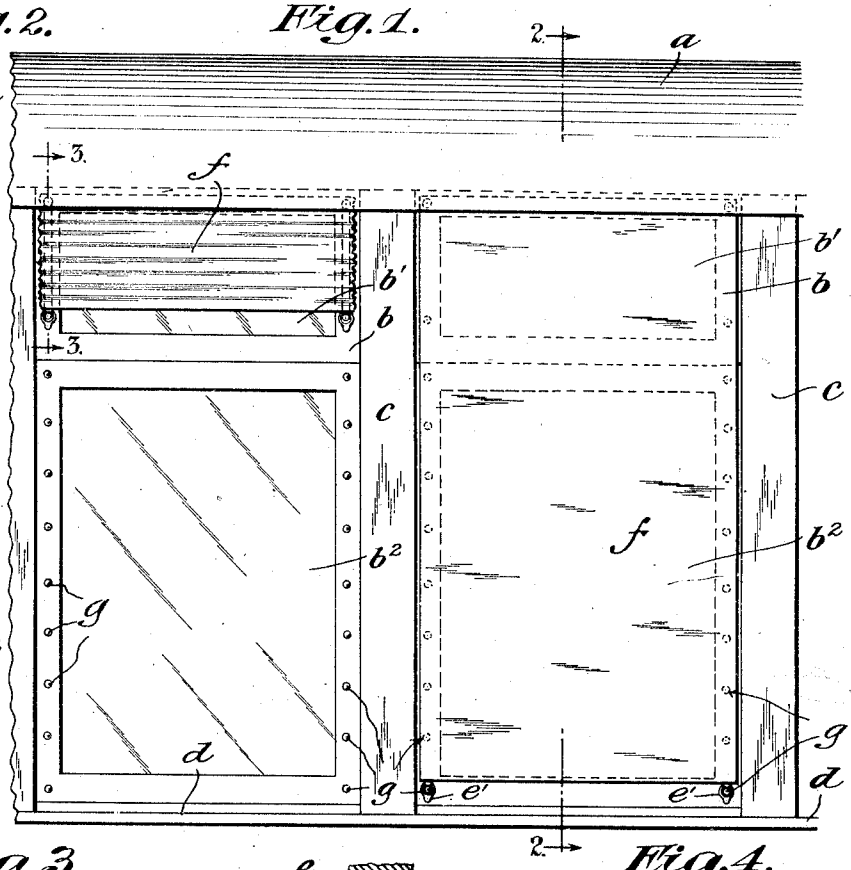


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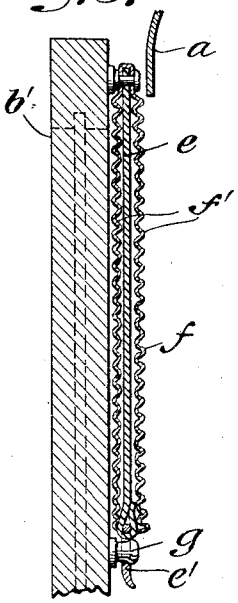
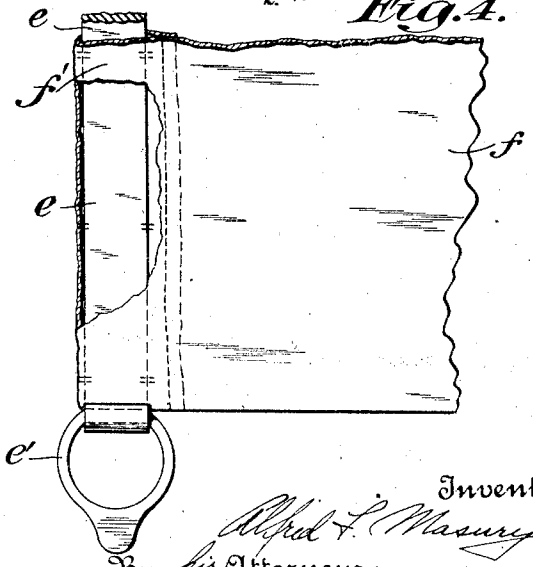


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Curtains for use in vehicles and the like have heretofore been mounted on spring actuated rollers and suitable means, such as a pawl, provided for adjusting the curtain to a desired position. The mechanism necessary in the above described device requires added weight in addition to involving elements which are liable to rattle.

The present invention has for an object the provision of a curtain which may be pulled down from the top so as to protect the passenger from the sun's rays. This curtain may be supported at the top of the window or behind the advertising cards and at either side of the curtain, elastic bands are provided, around which the curtain is puckered. Adjustment is made at each side separately and no roller is required.

Reference will now be had to the accompanying drawings for a more detailed description of the device, wherein:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a window equipped with the curtain hereinafter described.

Figure 2 is a side section on the line 2—2 of Figure 1 and looking in the direction of the arrows.

Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Figure 1 and looking in the direction of the arrows.

Figure 4 is a view partly in section and broken away showing more particularly the adjusting means and means for mounting the curtain.

In the drawings, *a* represents the card rack for advertising cards commonly found in motor buses or street cars. At *b* is illustrated the window frame which is secured in suitable uprights *c* and which rests on a sill *d*. The window may be of two sections, if desired, and as such is common practice, the window shown herein is provided with two sections b' and b^2.

Behind the card racks *a*, are fastened two elastic bands *e* which are provided at their other ends with rings e' and about the bands is puckered a curtain *f* having hems f' at either side to receive the elastic bands. The length of curtain material determines the extent to which the window may be concealed by the curtain and, of course, when released, the two bands collapse the curtain behind the card rack to expose the entire window.

Knobs *g* are provided along the sides of the uprights over which the rings e' engage to hold the curtain in a desired position.

If it is found desirable, the curtain need not be supported in back of the card rack, but may be positioned over the upper portion of the window. The elastic bands may be secured to the curtain in any desired fashion, as by tacking at spaced points, facing, etc. and the particular type of elastic band is immaterial, since coil springs or rubber fabric may be used equally well. Furthermore, the particular adjusting and fastening means is immaterial, and snap buttons or the like may be used instead of the rings and knobs shown herein. The knobs may be secured along the sides of the window frame and in all cases a curtain is provided, which, when the bands at either side thereof are extended, the curtain will be flat and when the bands contract the material will be shirred around the elastic.

The structure recited above, in addition to protecting the passenger from sunlight affords a device which is of light weight, requires no guides, needs no mechanical roller or fixture and will not rattle.

Changes may be made in the form and construction shown herein and the invention is not to be limited, save as defined in the appended claim.

What is claimed is:

In a curtain structure, a curtain, elastic bands secured to the curtain at each side thereof, the curtain being longer than the normal length of the bands, means for securing the curtain and bands to the top of a window, spaced adjusting knobs at either side of the window and rings on the lower ends of the bands for securing them to the spaced knobs.

This specification signed this 17th day of June, A. D. 1926.

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