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Fig. 1.

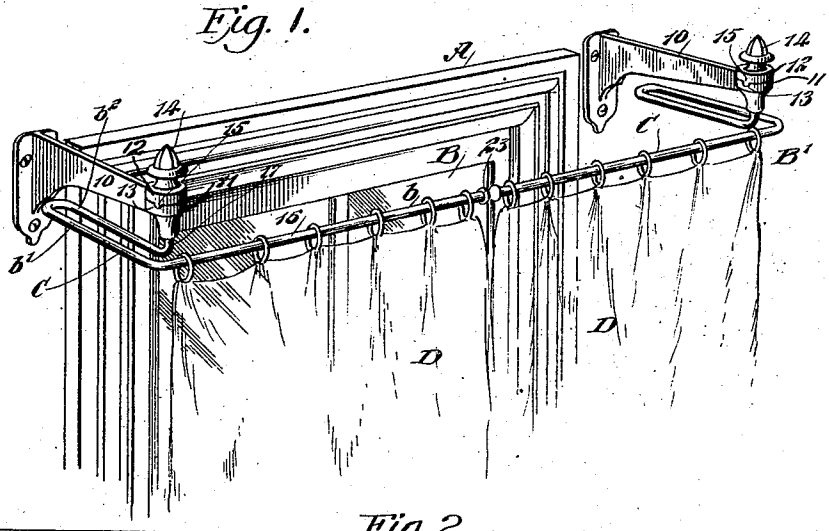


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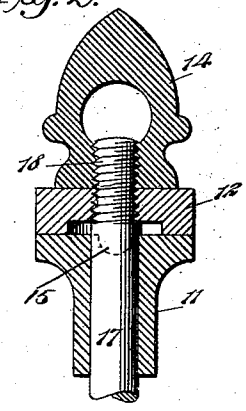
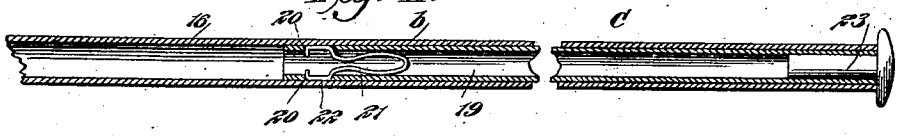


Fig. 3.

Fig. 4.



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CURTAIN-FIXTURE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB KOLB, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lancaster, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Curtain-Fixture, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improvement in curtain-fixtures; and the purpose of the invention is to provide a fixture upon which curtains may be adjustably hung in such manner that they will be removed from the window a sufficient distance to permit inside blinds to be freely operated and allow free access to the window and so that the curtains may be carried to one side of the window, leaving the full inner surface thereof entirely uncovered.

Another object of the invention is to so construct the fixture that the supporting-sections of the curtains may be quickly and conveniently taken down for adjustment, the curtains draped thereon, and the fixtures as readily restored to place at the window.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved device applied to a window. Fig. 2 is an enlarged vertical section through the locking and sustaining device for the curtain-supports. Fig. 3 is a plan view of one section of the device, and Fig. 4 is an enlarged longitudinal section through the free end of one of the curtain-supports.

A represents a portion of a window-frame, B a portion of the window-sash of said frame, and C represents the sections or members of the device adapted to support and carry curtains D. A bracket 10 is secured to a support adjacent to the window-frame or to the window-frame itself, if desirable, and these brackets extend horizontally beyond the perpendicular plane of the inner face of the window-frame and its sash. Each bracket 10 is provided with a sleeve 11 at its inner or free end, either attached thereto or made integral therewith, and a nut 12 is adapted to rest upon the upper face of each sleeve 11, and a jam-nut 14, which is usually ornamental and constitutes a cap, is made to rest upon the nut 12. The sleeve 11 is provided with recesses 13 in opposite sides of its upper surface, and these recesses are preferably semicircular, as shown in Fig. 1, and the lock-nut 12 is provided with correspondingly-shaped lugs 15, adapted to enter the recesses 13, so as to prevent the lock-nut from slipping on the sleeve 11.

The supports C for the curtain D are made in two sections, meeting at or about a point opposite the vertical center of the window-sash, and each curtain-supporting section C comprises a horizontal member b, adapted to extend parallel with the inner face of the window frame and sash, and a side member b', which is at right angles to the inner or front member b, together with a return side member b^2, parallel with the main side member b', the said return member b^2 of each curtain-support being provided with an upwardly-extending arm or post 17, and these arms or posts 17 are adapted to extend loosely through the sleeves 11 of the brackets 10 and above the upper surface of said sleeves. The upper ends of the arms or posts 17 of the curtain-supports are provided with threads 18, as shown in Fig. 2, and the lock-nuts 12 are screwed upon the upper threaded portions of the curtain-supports, as are likewise the jam-nuts 14.

The curtain-supports C may be extended at their free ends, so that the fixtures may be accommodated to windows of different widths, and to that end the curtain-supports are made tubular and are open at their free extremities. An extension member 19 is telescopically located in the free end of each member b of each curtain-support C, being held in adjusted position in the said members b by springs 21, which are located within the extension members 19 and have clamping members or sections 22, which extend out through slots 20 in said extension-sections 19 to an engagement with the inner walls of the members b of the said curtain-supports, as shown in Fig. 4. Thus it will be observed that the extension-sections 19 of the curtain-supports may be drawn outward or pushed

inward in said supports and that the springs 21 will serve to retain the extension-sections in their adjusted position. As a finish for each curtain-support at its free end a button 23 is introduced into the curtain-supports at said ends, as shown in Figs. 1, 3, and 4.

The curtain-supports C are first placed in position in the brackets 10 and are adjusted so that their inner horizontal members *b* may be horizontal and in alinement. After such an adjustment has been made the nuts 12 and 14 are removed, the curtain-supports C are taken down, and the curtains D are draped thereon, whereupon the curtain-supports, with the curtains applied, are again secured to the brackets 10. Whenever desired, the curtains may be drawn to each side of the window along the main side members *b'*, which serve as extension-tracks for the main or front tracks of the device.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A curtain-fixture consisting of a bracket, curtain-supporting sections comprising a front horizontal rail, a side horizontal rail at an angle to the front rail, a return member for the side rail, and means for securing the return member of the side rail in the said bracket, as described.

2. A curtain-fixture consisting of a bracket, curtain-supporting sections, comprising a front horizontal rail, a side horizontal rail at an angle to the front rail, a return member for the side rail, means for securing the return member of the side rail in the said bracket, an extension-section for the front rail of the device, and means for holding the extension-section in adjusted position.

3. In a curtain-fixture, a bracket provided with a sleeve, a curtain-support consisting of a front horizontal rail, a side horizontal rail at an angle to the front rail, a return-section for the side rail, having an upwardly-extending member which is carried through the sleeve of the said bracket and is threaded at its upper end, a lock-nut located upon the upper threaded portion of the curtain-support, a jam-nut also located upon the said upper portion of the curtain-support, and having locking engagement with the lock-nut.

4. In a curtain-fixture, the combination, with a bracket provided with a sleeve, a lock-nut located upon the upper portion of the bracket, and a jam-nut located upon the lock-nut and having locking engagement therewith, of a curtain-support consisting of a front member or rail, a side member or rail at an angle to the front member and a return member or rail at the side, at the rear of the main side member or rail and extending in direction of the front member or rail, the return side member being provided at its inner end with an upwardly-extending post arranged to freely enter the sleeve of the bracket and extend beyond said sleeve, the upper portion of the said post being threaded to receive the lock and jam nuts, as set forth.

5. In a curtain-fixture, the combination, with brackets and a curtain-supporting rail, of means for connecting the rail with the bracket, such means consisting of a sleeve formed upon the bracket and adapted to receive an end of the curtain-supporting rail, said sleeve being provided with a recess, a lock-nut having a projection which enters said recess, and a jam-nut which engages with the lock-nut and which is also adapted to receive the end of the curtain-supporting rail.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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