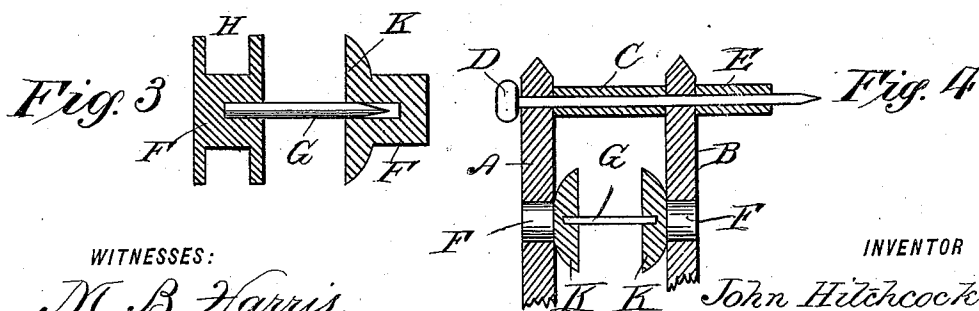
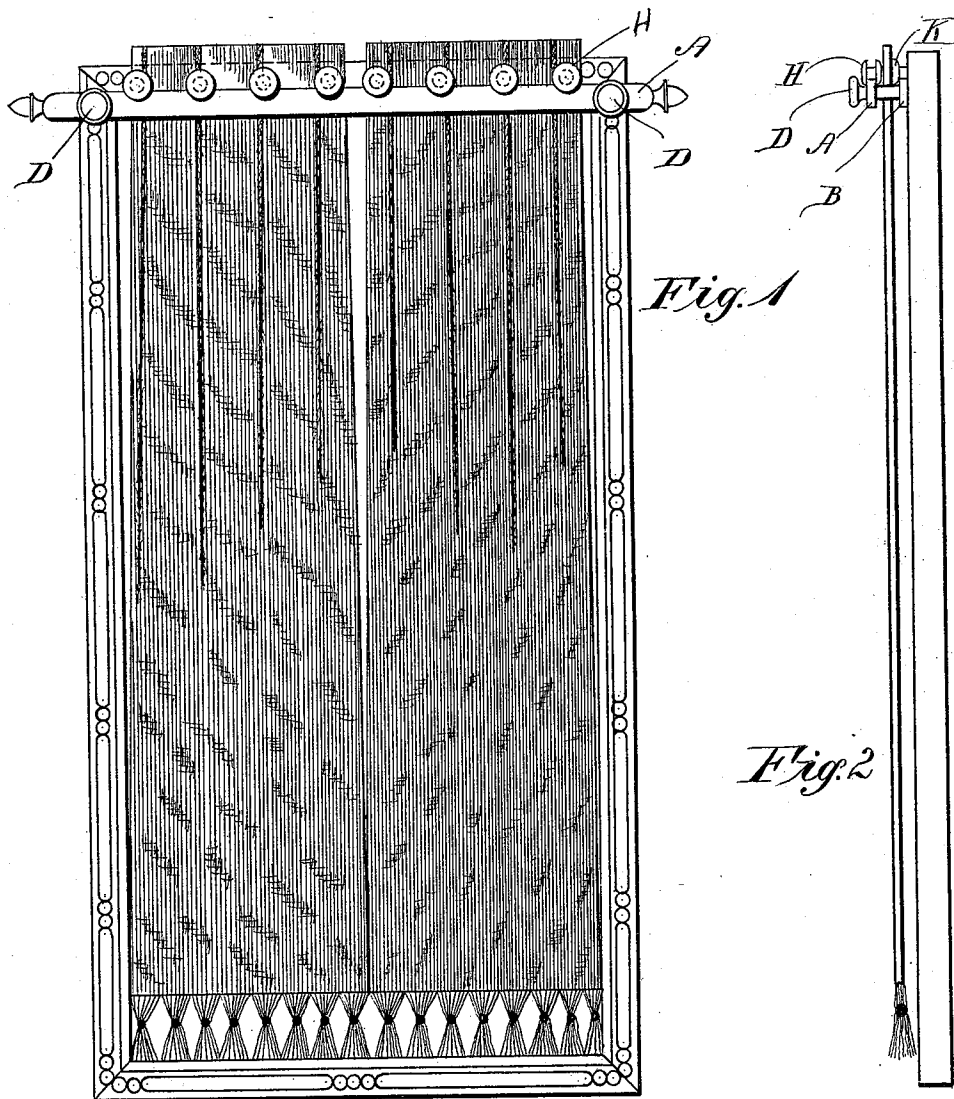


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN HITCHCOCK, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Hangers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to supports for window-curtains, portières and similar articles, and the object thereof is to provide an improved device of this class which comprises a frame consisting of longitudinal parallel strips on which are mounted rollers united by a shaft or rod from which the curtain or other article is suspended, the entire device being novel as well as ornamental and attractive, and also comparatively inexpensive; and with this and other objects in view the invention consists in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts herein-after described and claimed.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a window-frame provided with my improved curtain-support; Fig. 2, a side view thereof; and Figs. 3 and 4 represent sectional details of the construction.

In the practice of my invention I employ a frame consisting of two side bars, A and B, which are separated by means of tubular bearings or blocks C, through which pass pins or bolts D, which are designed to secure the supporting-frame in position, and in practice I may also provide a second tubular bearing, E, which may be employed for the purpose of retaining the frame or support at a distance from the window. This device, however, is not shown in Fig. 2.

The means for supporting or connecting the curtains or other articles with the frame or the side bars, A and B, thereof consist of rollers F, which are adapted to rest and move upon the tops of said side bars, A and B, and

said rollers are connected by means of a shaft or bolt G.

In the form of construction shown in Fig. 3 the outer roller is provided with flanges at each side forming a central groove H, in which the outer bar, A, of the frame is adapted to rest, while the inner roller is provided with a head K on the inner side thereof, the adjacent surfaces of each roller being preferably plain, as shown in both forms of construction or in Figs. 3 and 4.

In Fig. 4 each of the rollers is of the same form of construction, and each is provided with the inner head K, that side thereof adjacent to the side bars being convex and the inner sides thereof being plain.

The operation will be readily understood from the foregoing description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings. The curtain or other article is connected with the rollers by passing the shaft or bolt G there-through, as clearly shown in Fig. 1, and this shaft or bolt may be rigidly connected with one of the rollers, and, if desired, it may also pass clear through the same instead of only partially, as shown, and with this construction, as will be readily seen, the curtains are free to move back and forth in either direction upon the frame, and may be gathered to one side thereof in the usual manner or extended, as shown in Fig. 1, in which position they cover the entire window.

My invention is not limited to the exact form, construction and combination of parts shown and described, as it is evident that changes and alterations therein may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing its advantages, and I therefore reserve the right to make all such alterations as fairly come within the scope of the invention.

Having fully described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A support for curtains or similar articles composed of the parallel side bars, the two-part rollers connected by a shaft and mounted upon or between said side bars, the tubular cross-pieces uniting the ends of said bars the pins or bolts passing through said

cross-pieces and securing said support in position substantially as herein described.

2. A support for curtains or similar articles composed of the frame, consisting of the
5 parallel bars, the tubular cross-piece uniting the ends of said bars, the pins adapted to pass through said cross-pieces and secure said frame in position, the two-part roller mounted
10 between or upon said parallel bars, the bolts or pins which connect said rollers and sup-

port the curtain between the rollers, substantially as herein shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 6th
15 day of August, 1895.

JOHN HITCHCOCK.

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