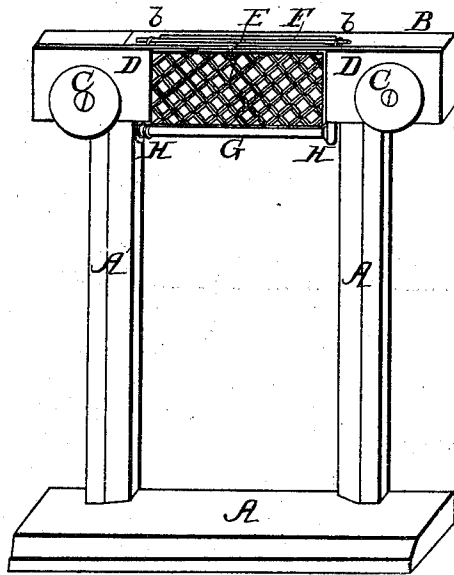


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## IMPROVEMENT IN WINDOW-CORNICE.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT N. HOFFMAN, of Chicago, in the county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented an Improvement in Glass Cornices for Windows; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and letters marked thereon making a part of this description, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective representation of the inside of a window with my improved glass cornice attached.

The nature of the present invention consists in the novel construction of the cornice, and the manner of holding it in place.

A represents the sill, A', the face-casing, and B, the head-casing of an ordinary window-frame.

D D E, represents the glass cornice, which has plain ends, D, and an ornamented center, E, said center projecting somewhat outward from the plain ends D, to avoid the appearance of weakness.

Any other form of ornament may be used, however, instead of that shown at E, if desirable.

The ends of the plate are fastened to the head-casing B by means of knobs C, having screws passing through holes made in the glass for this purpose. The knobs, being made of glass or porcelain, add very much to the appearance of the cornice.

F represents a recess, made vertically in the face of the head-casing, and back of the glass cornice, for the purpose of admitting light to this part of the device,

in order more clearly to show the figure on the glass, and also to receive any colored material, which will, by reflection on the glass, produce a pleasing effect.

In connection with the cornice, I use an ordinary roller, G, for hanging shades, the ends of the roller being supported by brackets H H, fastened to the under side of the head-casing B, it projecting over the face-casing A' far enough for this purpose.

The inner or lace curtains are hung by means of strings or other suitable fastenings put through the aforesaid recess F, and fastened to a rod, I, which is held in place on the top of the head-casing by staples *d d*.

In manufacturing cornices, they can be cast of different sizes, in molds suitable for that purpose, and afterward stained, colored, or gilded, according to the style of finish required.

By the use of cornices constructed of the material and in the form above described, a very great saving in the expense of cleaning is made, while, at the same time, the cornice permanently retains its finish and beauty.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The glass cornice D D E, in combination with the knobs C C, head-casing B, rod I, and roller G, as and for the purpose set forth.

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