

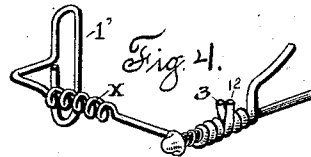
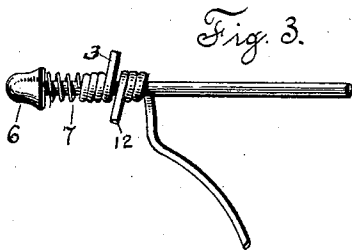
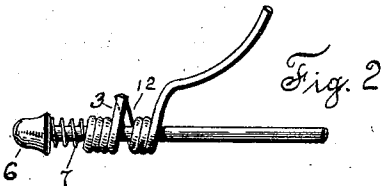
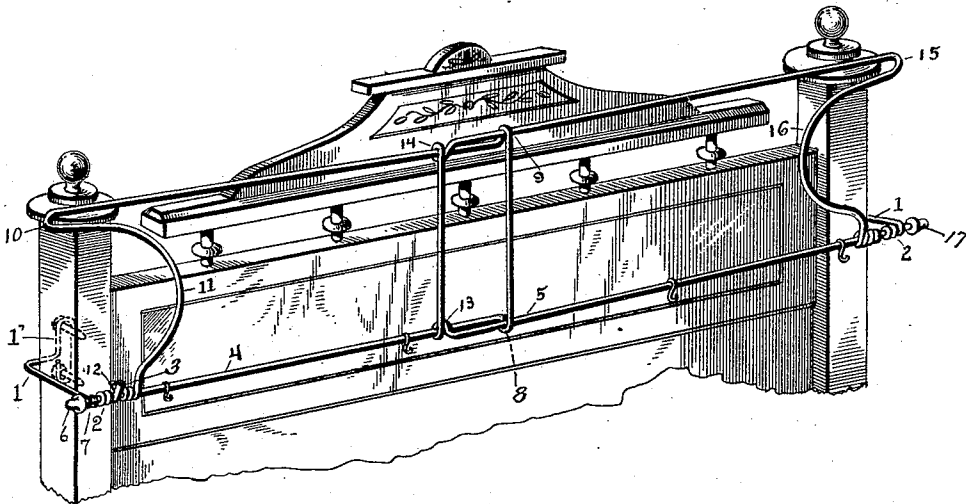
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Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HOWLETT DAVIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented a certain new, useful, and valuable Improvement in Pillow-Sham Holders, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention has relation to adjustable pillow-sham holders; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangement of its parts, as will be hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the upper part of the head-board with my invention attached thereto. Figs. 2 and 3 are detail views, and Fig. 4 is a modified view of the supporting-arm.

My invention is described as follows: It consists of the arms 1 1, which extend around the bed-posts and are secured to the rear sides thereof in any suitable manner, preferably by means of a foot 1' of substantially the form shown. These arms are made of wire, and their front ends are provided with the coils 2 2, and one of the said coils terminates in the upwardly-extending lug 3, the function of which will be hereinafter set forth.

The sham-holder proper consists of the two wire flaps 4 and 5, which are entwined around each other in their middles in such a way that they can readily be pulled out or shoved in to suit the width of the bed.

The flap 4 is formed as follows: The end of the wire is provided with a button 6, and said wire is loosely journaled in the coil, which is provided with the upwardly-extending lug 3 of the arm 1 and between the said button 6, and the coil is a coil-spring 7. The wire of the flap 4 first must be bent in a horizontal line. Then at 8 it is notched and bent up perpendicularly, and at 9 it is again notched and run parallel to the first horizontal part. At 10 it is bent around and the arc 11 is formed, and the end of the wire is tightly coiled around the first horizontal part just inside of the coil 2, the said end of the wire extending upward and forming the lug 12, which, by means of the spring 7 pressing between the button 6 and the coil of the arm 1, causes said lug 12 to automatically engage the lug 3 when the sham-holder is turned up. In the flap 5 the outer end of the wire is provided with a

button 17 similar to the one on the flap 4, and the wire is also loosely journaled in the arm 1, and it is run first horizontally, passing through the notch 8, and at 13 it is loosely wound around the first horizontal part of flap 4. Then it is run perpendicularly and wound around the second horizontal part of said flaps at 14. It then passes through the notch 9, and at 15 it is bent around and the arc 16 is formed. The end of the wire is then carried down and tightly wound around the first horizontal part just inside of the coil of arm 1. The first horizontal parts of the flaps 4 and 5 may be provided with the hooks, as shown, which are adapted to be hooked into the shams and secure them to the holder. Thus I construct a sham-holder which is adjustable to any-sized bed and which locks itself automatically when it is raised, and one which will not deface the polished surface of the bed-board, and it is made entirely of wire. It is very cheap and durable.

As a modification I may construct the arms 1, as shown in Fig. 4, with the coil x , and said arm can then be adjusted to any part, without regard to its thickness, by pulling out or contracting said coil x .

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

1. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination, with a suitable flap, of two brackets, each of which is constructed of wire bent to form a foot and from said foot bent at an angle of ninety degrees to the face thereof to form an extended portion and bent at an angle of ninety degrees to the said extended portion in a plane at right angles to the plane of the last-named bend and then formed into a helix to constitute a bearing for a portion of the said flap, substantially as described.

2. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination, with a flap having a suitable engaging lug, of wire brackets having their projecting portions formed into horizontal coils or bearings and the extreme inner end of one of the coils of wire being arranged to form a lug which engages with the lug of the flap when the latter is moved toward the coil.

3. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination, with brackets, one of which has a suitable lug, of an adjustable flap consisting of

two sections, each of which is formed of a single piece of wire and coupled together, as shown, the ends of the base-wires of each section being extended through said brackets and acting as journals, the remaining ends being twisted around the base-wires and one of the ends so twisted being made to project so as to form a lug, all substantially as described.

4. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination, with brackets provided with bearings, one of said brackets having a suitable lug, of an adjustable flap journaled in said bearings

and having a lug formed at one end by slightly projecting one of the ends of the wire, and a coil-spring arranged to bear on the outside of one of said brackets to cause an automatic locking of said lugs, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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