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Fig. 1

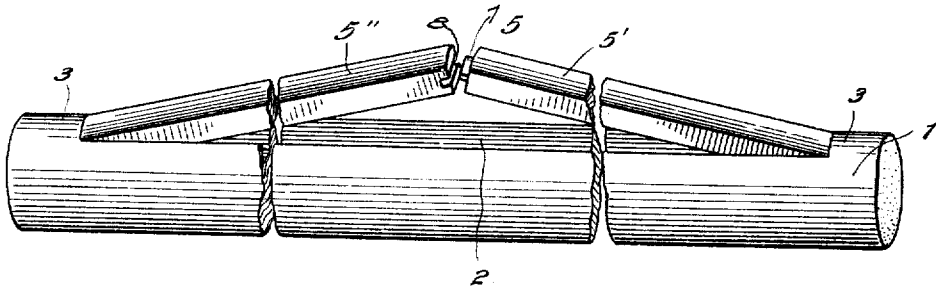


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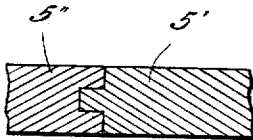


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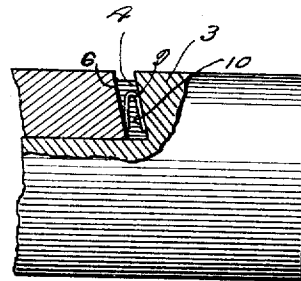
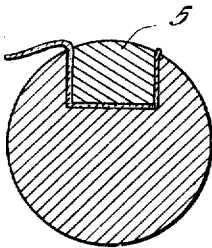


Fig. 4



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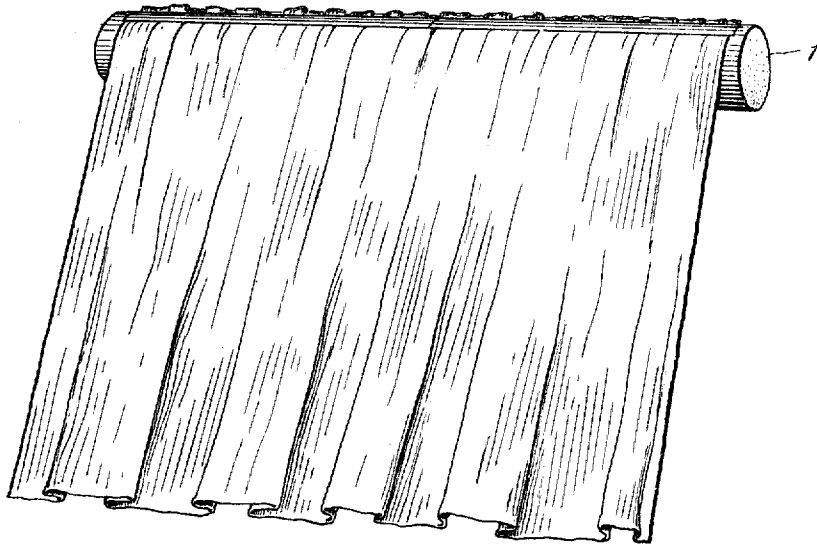
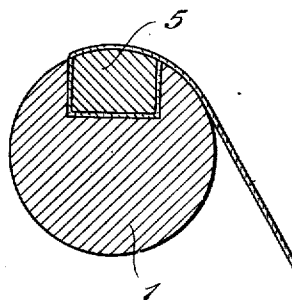


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS JOSEPH COLEMAN, citizen of the United States, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Poles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in curtain and shade poles and embraces the construction of a pole adapted to hold a shade or curtain thereon without the use of any tacks or similar fastening devices.

One of the objects of the invention is the construction of a pole having a simple locking device operable therein whereby a shade or curtain may be easily fastened in place thereon.

Another object of the invention is the construction of a pole for holding shades and curtains thereon having a pair of locking bars located in a recess or groove whereby a shade or curtain may be easily and quickly secured thereon.

With the above and other objects in view the invention embraces certain constructions, combinations and arrangements of parts clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved pole showing the locking bars raised, Fig. 2 is a detail sectional view showing the engaging ends of the locking bars, Fig. 3 is a detail view in section showing the manner in which the locking bars are held on the pole, Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view showing the manner in which a curtain is held on the pole, Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing the pole supporting a curtain, and Fig. 6 is a cross sectional view showing the manner in which a curtain can be held on the pole.

Referring to the accompanying drawings 1 denotes a pole having a longitudinal groove 2 therein, said groove having its opposite ends spaced apart from the ends of

the pole so as to form abutments 3. The faces of the abutments 3 are beveled at 4 and are engaged by the outer ends of the locking bars 5, which bars are formed with beveled outer ends 6.

The locking bars 5 are formed on their inner ends with a tongue and groove whereby said ends may lockingly engage with each other. The tongue 7 of the locking bar 5' is disposed on a horizontal plane with relation to the bar, and the groove 8 of the locking bar 5'' is adapted to engage with the tongue 7. The abutments 3 are provided with inverted U-shaped springs 9, which are connected thereto by fastening devices 10, whereby the locking bars can be frictionally held in the recess and the tongue and groove will be normally held in locking engagement with each other.

When it is desired to secure a curtain or shade to the pole 1 the upper edge thereof is placed in the recess and the two locking bars are forced into the recess so as to hold the curtain or shade in place. This arrangement eliminates the necessity of using tacks in the case of either shades or curtains and rings in the case of curtains, while it assures the safe holding of the curtain or shade.

Having described my invention I claim:—

A pole having a longitudinal recess, said recess having its ends spaced apart from the ends of the pole so that abutments are formed in the pole near its ends, said abutments being provided with beveled ends, springs thereon, and locking bars in the recess, said bars being formed with beveled ends engaging the springs and with engaging tongue and groove ends.

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

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