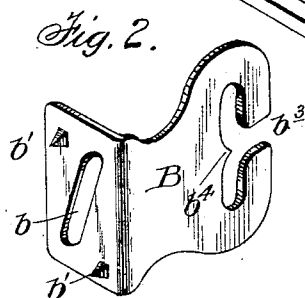
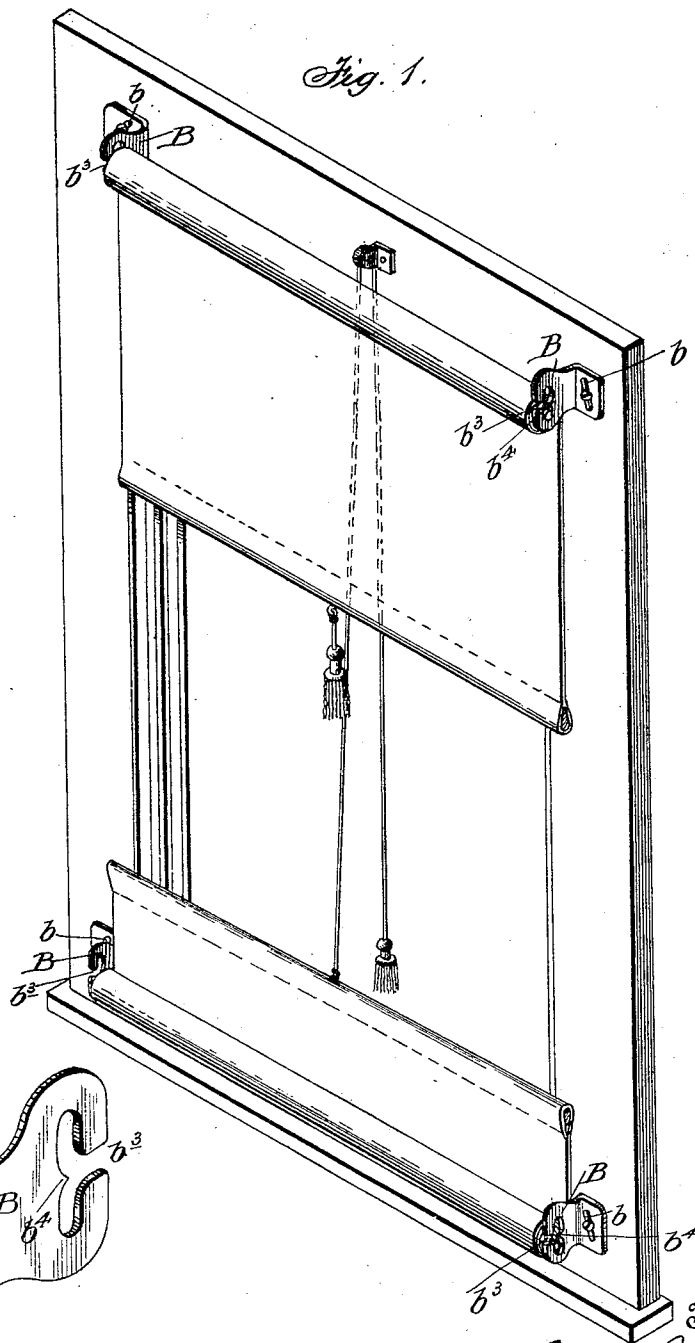


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE P. NEAL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Evansville, in the county of Vanderburg and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Pole Brackets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The object of this invention is to provide a bracket for hanging curtain-poles, which, while being adapted to be secured in position very quickly and conveniently, will at the same time permit of various adjustments to suit varying conditions without the removal of the securing devices, and which may also be used either at the top or bottom of the window with equal efficiency, and may be reversed, all as will hereinafter be more fully described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part hereof and on which similar letters of reference indicate similar parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a window-casing, showing a curtain mounted both at the top and bottom by means of my improved brackets; and Fig. 2, a perspective view of one of said brackets on an enlarged scale.

In said drawings, the portion marked A represents the roller or curtain-pole, and B said bracket.

The curtain-pole or roller A is or may be of any common or desired construction and operation, that shown being an ordinary spring-operated fixture; but as the invention relates solely to the brackets, which are adapted for use with any form of pole, a detailed description of this feature is not necessary herein. Said bracket B consists of a base-plate and supporting-arm extending out therefrom at right angles therewith, which base and arm may be cast together or may be bent from a straight plate stamped or formed of the desired shape, or may be separate pieces secured together. In the outer end of said arm is formed a T-shaped slot  $b^2$  to receive the ends of the roller-journals  $a$  and  $a'$ . The long portion of said slot extends vertically and the

short portion is simply an opening leading thereinto for the introduction of said journals. Said vertical portion extends equal distances each side of said opening, which thus adapts said bracket to be used on either side of the window, and avoids the necessity of a "right-hand" and "left-hand" bracket, as is usual. Midway of said slot on its rear wall is formed a projection  $b^1$ , which serves to prevent the roller-journals from being raised to the top of the slot when the curtain is pulled up when used on the bottom of the window-casing, thus preventing said roller from being thrown accidentally out of line and binding or working untruly. In said base-plate is formed a diagonal slot  $b$ , and on the rear face two or more brads or projections  $b'$ , preferably arranged one on each side of said slot. Said brads are adapted to enter the wood of the window-casing, and a screw  $b^3$  inserted through each of said brackets of the pair in said slots is used to draw the base-plate snugly to its seat on said casing and force said brads or points into the wood, thus securing said bracket firmly in all directions by the use of a single screw only. While said brackets are all duplicates, the reversal of position required for use on opposite sides of the frame will bring the slots of the respective brackets of each pair so as to extend in opposite directions, so that when in place a movement of the brackets in a vertical direction on their retaining-screws will also move them toward or from each other. As but a single screw has to be driven to secure each bracket, the brads operating to hold it from twisting or turning, considerably less time is required in their mounting than to mount the ordinary bracket, and the work can be done more conveniently and accurately, inasmuch as the bracket can first be mounted on the screw, the said screw started in sufficiently to hold it, the brackets then adjusted to the exact position desired, where they can be firmly secured by simply driving said screw "home." When for any reason it is desired to adjust said brackets toward or from each other, as, for instance, to admit a roller of greater or less length, it can be accomplished quickly and readily by simply backing out the screw of each until the brads can be withdrawn from

the wood, when by moving them up or down on said screws the desired adjustment is effected, and they are resecured by again driving in the screws. Also, when a shade is hung untrue and it is desired to elevate or lower one end slightly to overcome the difficulty, it is only necessary to adjust the appropriate bracket in the manner just described and said roller is "trued up" quickly and easily without the necessity of removing the whole fixture and bracket, as must be done when the brackets of the common form are used.

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

1. A bracket for curtain-poles formed with an inclined slot in its base for the securing device, whereby it may be adjusted on said device in both vertical and transverse directions, substantially as set forth.

2. A bracket for supporting curtain-poles formed with a diagonal slot in its base and brads at one side thereof, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination of the bracket formed with a diagonal slot in its brace and brads on opposite sides thereof on the outer face, and

a single screw mounted in said slot to secure said bracket in place, substantially as set forth.

4. The combination, with a curtain-pole, of a pair of brackets for supporting the same, each of which is formed with a diagonal slot in its base-plate, that in one extending in a direction opposite to the direction of that in the other, brads on opposite sides of said slots on the rear faces of said base-plates, and a single screw in each of said slots for securing said brackets in position, substantially as set forth.

5. A bracket for curtain-poles having a base-plate and supporting-arm, which base is formed with a diagonal slot and provided with securing devices, and which arm is formed with a T-shaped slot in its end, the vertical portion whereof extends substantially equal distances on each side of the entrance thereto, substantially as set forth.

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

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