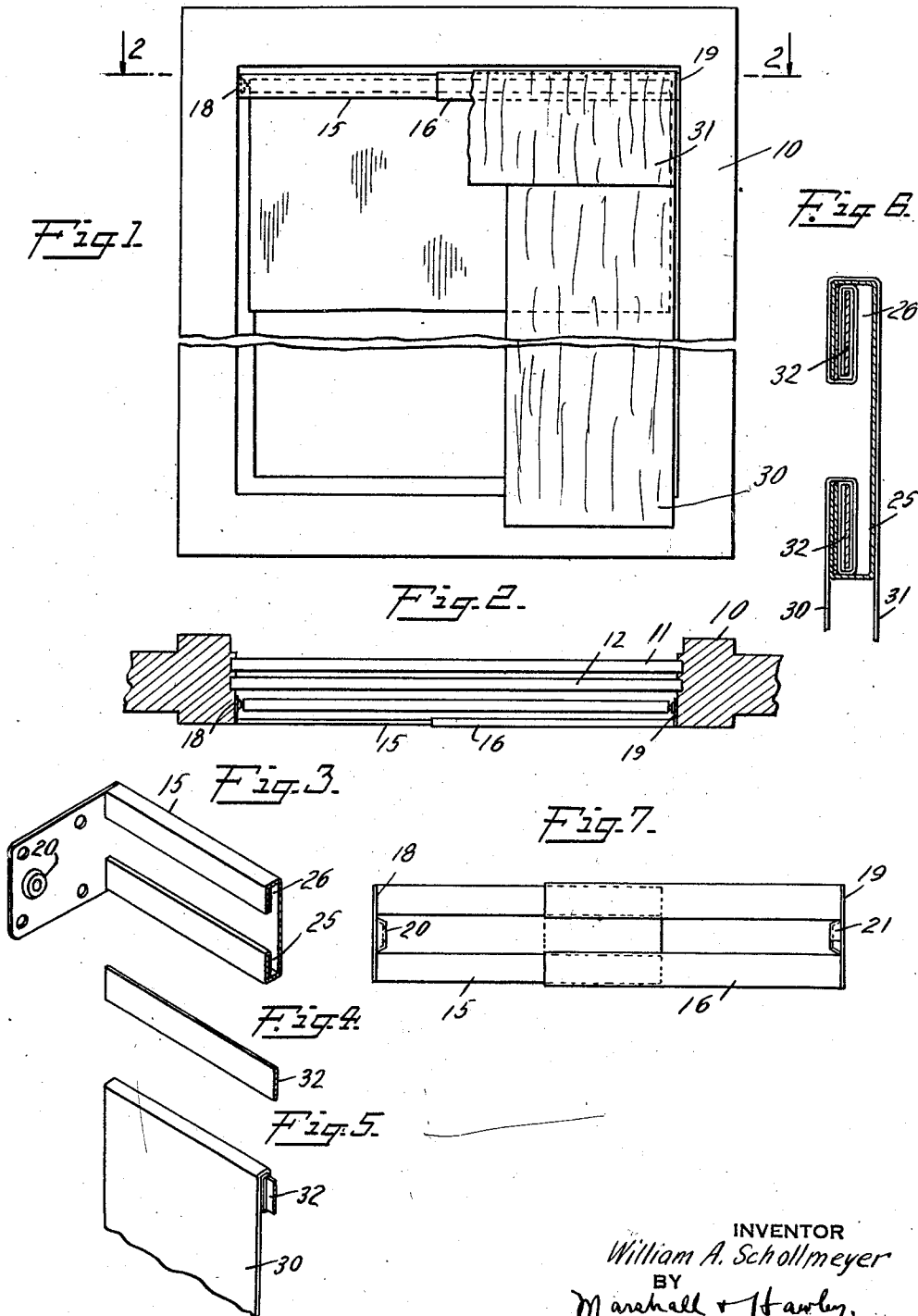


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This invention relates to curtain and shade fixtures.

The invention has for its salient object to provide a fixture that is simple and practical in construction and comprises a minimum number of parts.

Another object of the invention is to provide a fixture so constructed and arranged as to form a simple and effective support for a curtain and, furthermore, so arranged that the curtain can be easily and quickly adjusted as to length and secured in position on the fixture.

Another object of the invention is to provide a fixture so constructed and arranged as to form a combination support for a shade roller, curtain and valance.

Further objects of the invention will appear from the following specification taken in connection with the drawings, which form a part of this application, and in which

Fig. 1 is an elevational view, partly broken away, of a window having mounted in the frame thereof a fixture constructed in accordance with the invention;

Fig. 2 is a sectional elevation taken substantially on line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view showing one end portion of the fixture;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing a strip used to secure the upper edge of the curtain to the fixture;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing the upper edge of the curtain wound around the strip;

Fig. 6 is a transverse sectional elevation taken through the central portion of the fixture and showing a curtain and valance secured thereto; and

Fig. 7 is a rear elevation of the fixture.

The invention briefly described consists of a fixture having means at the ends thereof for supporting a shade roller and means intermediate the ends thereof for supporting a curtain and curtain panel or like article. The curtain and panel supporting means consists of longitudinal channels opening in opposite directions and adapted to receive the upper edges of the curtain and panel respectively.

Further details of the invention will appear from the following description.

In Figs. 1 and 2 there is shown a window frame 10 in which are mounted upper and lower window sashes 11 and 12.

The curtain fixture preferably comprises a pair of slidably connected sections 15 and 16 having flanges 18 and 19 at the ends thereof. Each flange has secured thereto or formed thereon a socket 20, 21 adapted to receive the ends of a shade roller. The sockets may, if desired, be struck up out of the material of the flanges.

Each of the sections 15, 16 has upwardly opening and downwardly opening channels 25 and 26 formed thereon by means of bending back the material on itself. The channels are formed wide enough to permit the entry thereinto of the upper edges of the curtain 30 and valance 31. If desired, these upper edges may be wound around a strip 32 of suitable material, such as cardboard or celluloid. The manner of securing these edges in the channels is particularly shown in Fig. 6. The upper edge of the curtain will be wound around a strip 32 to a sufficient extent to take up the desired amount and permit the curtain to hang properly and to extend downwardly the desired extent. The valance is secured in the channel 26 in a like manner.

It will be obvious from the foregoing description that a fixture such as that described will greatly facilitate the hanging of curtains and curtain parts, such as valances or panels, since no hem is required at the top or upper edge of the parts to be hung and these edges may be wound around the strips to a sufficient extent to take up the desired amount. After the curtains have been washed they are usually not the same length as before and this often requires the hems to be taken up or let out in order that the curtain may hang properly. With the fixture above described, however, all such labor is obviated and the curtains can be easily and quickly hung.

Although one specific embodiment of the invention has been particularly shown and described, it will be understood that the invention is capable of modification and that

changes in the construction and in the arrangement of the various cooperating parts may be made without departing from the spirit or scope of the invention, as expressed in the following claims.

5 What I claim is:

1. A fixture of the character described having end portions provided with sockets for supporting a shade roller, and having a
10 central portion provided with a longitudinal channel adapted to receive and support the upper edge of a curtain.

2. A fixture of the character described having end portions provided with sockets for supporting a shade roller, and having a
15 central portion provided with a longitudinal, upwardly opening, channel adapted to receive and support the upper edge of a curtain.

3. A fixture of the character described having flanged portions provided with sockets for supporting a shade roller, and having a central portion provided with a longitudinal channel adapted to receive and
20 support the upper edge of a curtain.

4. A fixture of the character described having end portions provided with sockets for supporting a shade roller, and having a central portion provided with an upwardly opening and a downwardly opening longitudinally extending channel adapted to receive the upper edges of curtains and to support the curtains.

5. A fixture of the character described
25 having an upwardly opening and a downwardly opening longitudinally extending channel adapted to receive the upper edges of curtains and to support the curtains.

6. A fixture of the character described having end portions provided with sockets for supporting a shade roller, and having a
30 central portion provided with a longitudinal channel adapted to receive and support the upper edge of a curtain, and means to retain the edge of the curtain in said channel.

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