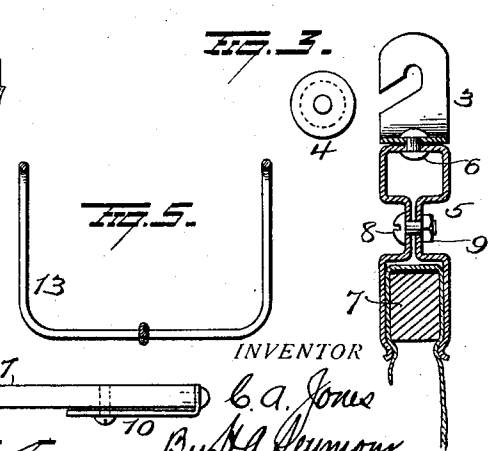
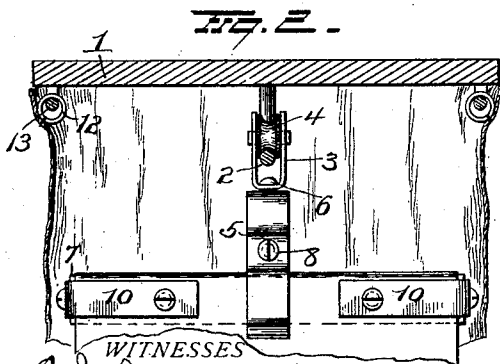
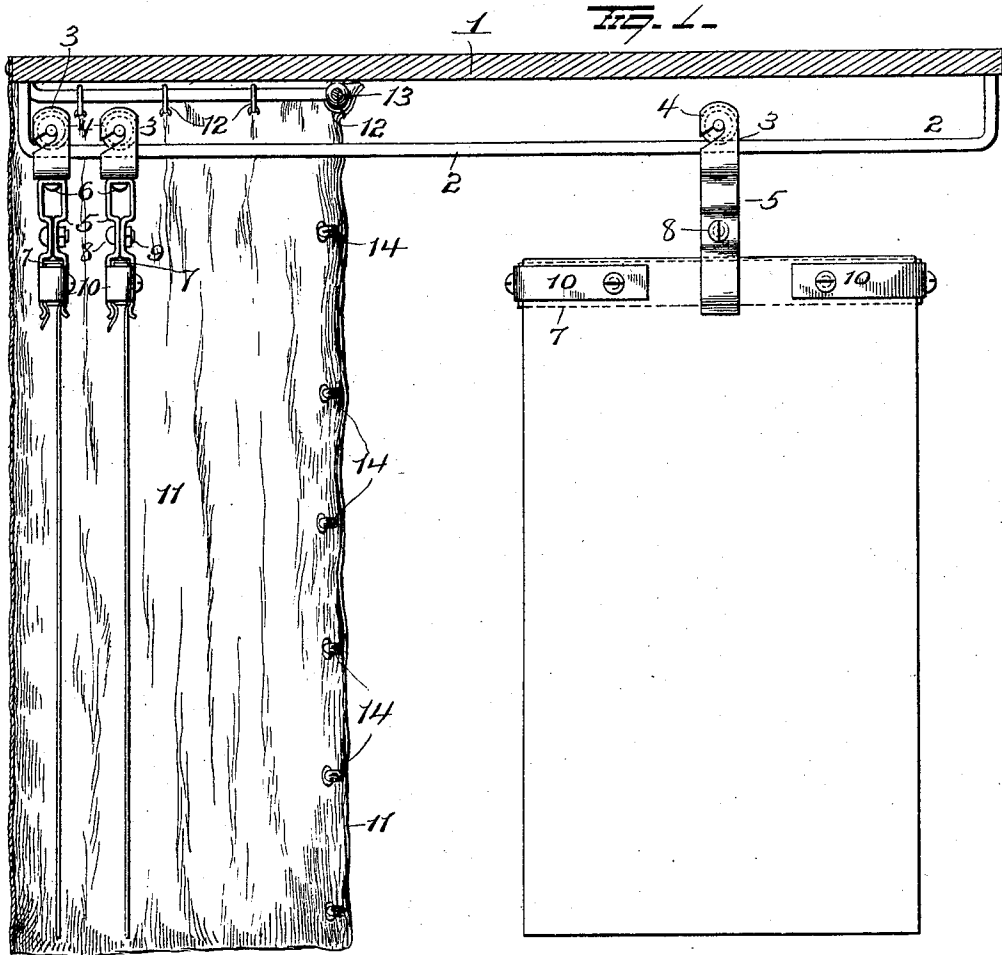


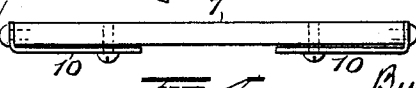
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES ARTHUR JONES, a resident of Windsor, in the county of Windsor and State of Vermont, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Display Racks; 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.

10 My invention relates to improvements in curtain display racks, the object of the invention being to provide improvements of this character in which a roller support for curtain permits them to be moved and turned to any angle to best exhibit them, and provide improved means for inclosing all the curtains in a small space to protect them from dust and light when not being shown.

20 With these objects in view, the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts as will be more fully hereinafter described and pointed in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating my improvements and Figs. 2, 3, 4, and 5, are views of details of construction.

25 1 represents the ceiling of a room, or it may constitute a horizontal platform of any kind, having a horizontal longitudinal rod or track 2 secured thereto and spaced therefrom.

30 3 represents a fork having inclined notches or slots to receive and engage over the trunnions of a roller 4, to run on rod 2, and a clamp 5, is swiveled to the fork 3 by a rivet 6, for a purpose which will hereinafter appear. This clamp 5 comprises a strip of sheet metal bent upon itself forming two opposite members-exactly alike, to engage opposite sides of a curtain rod or bar 7, and curtain thereon, and the intermediate portion of the clamp is made with alined openings to receive a screw 8 and nut 9 to permit the clamp to be easily adjusted to hold or release the curtain and bar 7, and flat metal clamping strips 10 are secured by screws around the ends and one face of the bar 7 to clamp the edges of the curtain and prevent sagging of the side edges, but these clamping strips may be dispensed with if preferred.

45 When a curtain is clamped upon bar 7 and the latter suspended by the roller supported fork 3, from rod 2, the curtain can be readily moved from end to end of rod 2 and turned to any position to best display the same, and owing to the small space a single curtain will occupy a great many can be located on the rod.

50 A dust curtain 11 is attached between its ends at its upper edge to the ceiling in any suitable manner and suspended therefrom. This dust curtain 11 is located at one end of rod 2 and is provided between its attached intermediate portion and ends, with a series of rings 12

movable on a curved rod 13 secured to the ceiling or 55 platform which permit the curtain 11 to be moved around forming an inclosed chamber to cover and protect all the displayed curtains when the latter are moved to one end of the rod 2, and suitable fastening devices 14 may be provided at the edges of curtain 11 60 to secure the latter in closed position. This dust curtain 11, even when closed will occupy but comparatively small space as but small space is required to accommodate a large number of display curtains and hence leaving the store or shop considerable floor space 65 for the display of other goods when the curtains are inclosed, and yet maintain the display curtains always within easy reach and accessible for quick display.

By reason of the swiveled connection between the fork 3 and clamp 5 the curtains can be turned to any 70 angle to best exhibit their good points and when one has been sold, or for any other reason, its removal is desired, the fork 3 can be lifted off the trunnions of the roller 4 and the curtain can be easily detached from the bar 7 by removing clamp 5 and the metal strips 10. 75

My improvements are also adapted for the display of rugs or other goods and the curtain 11 may be of any material desired to best keep out dust and light.

A great many changes might therefore be made in the general form and arrangement of the parts described 80 without departing from my invention, and hence, I do not restrict myself to the precise details set forth but consider myself at liberty to make such slight changes and alterations as fairly fall within the spirit and scope of my invention. 85

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

1. In a curtain display rack, the combination with a track and roller thereon, of a bar to receive a curtain, a sheet metal clamp to receive said bar and curtain thereon, 90 a frame mounted on the journals of the roller, and a swivel connection between said frame and the clamp.

2. A curtain supporting device comprising two sheet-metal members each bent upon itself, and said members swiveled together, the upwardly projecting arms of one 95 member adapted for the reception of the journals of a roller, and the downwardly projecting arms of the other member bent to form clamping jaws, and means for clamping said jaws to a curtain bar.

3. In a curtain display rack, the combination with a 100 horizontal rod, of a roller thereon, a yoke supported by the roller, a clamp swiveled to the yoke, a bar to receive the curtain thereon and enter between the members of the clamp, and metal strips at the ends of the bar securing the curtain thereto. 105

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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