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CURTAIN GUARD FOR WINDOWS

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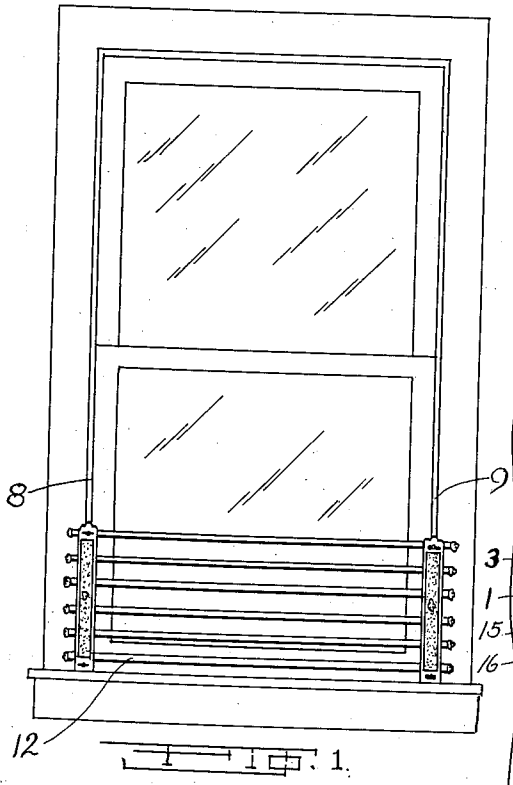


Fig. 1.

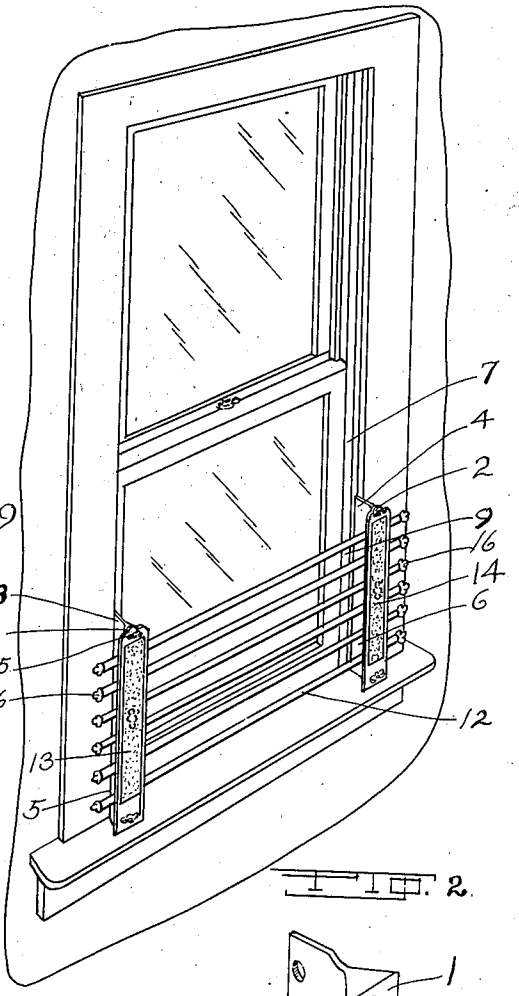


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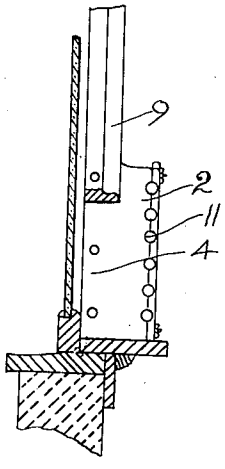


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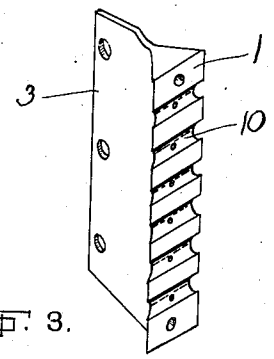


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1 Claim. (Cl. 20—71)

My invention relates to window guards; an object being in my device to provide an effective means for preventing the lower end of window curtains from flying out the window or fluttering against a dirty or dusty window screen.

An object of my invention is to provide in one device, an attractive, as well as effective, means of guarding window curtains from fluttering out the window, a substantial and effective means for preventing young children from climbing out the window and an effective guard against intruders entering through the lower portion of the window.

A particular purpose of my invention is to provide a device adapted to detachably guard the lower end of a window frame on the inside of a window with such a device designed and constructed in a manner permitting the same to present an ornamental appearance within a room with its supporting means economically and effectively providing a substantial protection against young children falling out of a window and effectively guarding against intruders entering through the lower portion of a window thus guarded.

I attain the objects of my invention by the device described in this specification, recited in the claims, and illustrated in the drawing.

Referring to the drawing:

Figure 1 is a front view of my invention.

Figure 2 is a perspective of the invention shown in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a detail of one of the upright supporting brackets for the rods.

Fig. 4 is an end view of one of the upright supporting brackets shown in its fitting position on a window frame shown in section.

I shall now point out the novel and salient features of my invention as I refer to the drawing, illustrating my invention in its preferred form and as I describe its details of construction which will accomplish the purposes for which the invention has been developed.

I am aware of the fact that there have been previous attempts made to provide certain designs and constructions of window guards to prevent the entry of intruders through a window and it is obvious that when the device is designed primarily for this purpose, then the construction thereof is likely to be lacking in ornamental characteristics with details of its construction more cumbersome and awkward-looking.

My purpose in this invention is to provide as a primary advantage an economical and practical curtain guard for the lower end of windows and one which may be constructed in a manner presenting a decidedly ornamental appearance which may artistically fit gracefully into the picture of any ornamentally decorated room in the home.

This purpose cannot be achieved without designing and constructing my window guard so that the assembled unit, when fitted into its operative position on a window, will look nice and neat and attractive.

For instance, in a study of the merits of my invention, it will be observed that I am providing a pair of upright supporting bracket members 1 and 2, each having respectively an anchoring flange 3 and 4 adapted to be detachably secured respectively at the lower ends 5 and 6 of window jambs 7. These anchoring flanges 3 and 4 are preferably secured into support position between the moldings 8 and 9 respectively and the window frame proper on each side.

Brackets 1 and 3 are preferably shaped to provide channels or grooves or notches 10 and 11 respectively so that the curtain guard rods 12 may be held in operative position where they will look neat and attractive.

As an extra precaution against unintentional removal of rods 12, I am providing a sort of locking clamp 13 and 14 on each of brackets 1 and 2 respectively, which clamps are adapted to provide a substantial protection against tampering with rods 12 in their operative position on brackets 1 and 2. In addition to this clamp construction 13 and 14, I am providing a screw or bolt fastening means 15 for holding the rods in place on brackets 1 and 2 respectively.

Each of rods 12 may be provided with fixed or detachable terminal knobs 16 of any suitable design.

While it is true that my invention is adapted primarily to serve as a curtain guard for windows, yet it is quite obvious that in its design and construction, it may very effectively serve as a guard against children falling out of a window.

This invention may also obviously serve as a very effective means of preventing intruders from entering a window, without being discovered, for the reason that they would be delayed in their entry on account of the barrier against them, provided in the construction of this invention. This delay would permit the occupants of the house to discover the intruder's attempt to enter in time to prevent his entry.

Other advantages of my invention may become evident from time to time as it is being used, but I have hereinabove set forth the construction thereof which will make it practical and economical and adaptable for the purposes noted for it.

Having thus described the nature of my invention, what I claim is:

In a window provided with a frame having a sash therein, the combination of a vertically extending bracket member at each side of the lower portion of the window frame, each bracket member having an anchor flange in flat contact with said frame and extending transversely to the plane of said sash and frame and secured to said frame and extending inwardly beyond the plane of the frame, the inner portions of said bracket members having lateral extensions provided on their inner faces with a plurality of substantially parallel elongated channels extending transversely to the planes of said anchor flanges, guide rods removably seated in said channels, said rods extending across said frame on the inner side thereof and spaced therefrom, said rods being longer than the width of said frame and having knobs on the ends thereof for preventing endwise removal of said rods from said channels, and an ornamental retaining plate detachably secured to each bracket member and extending over said channels for holding said rods therein, whereby said rods may be removed by first removing said plates.

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