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Fig. 1

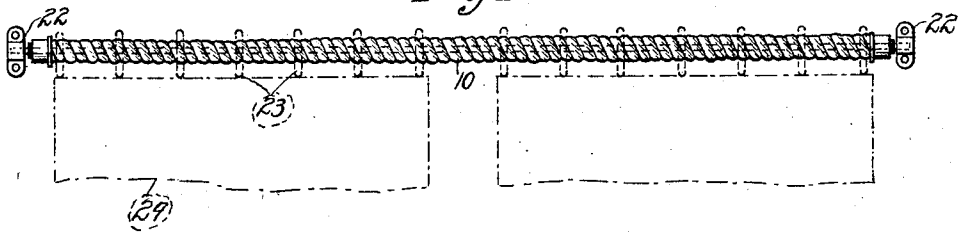


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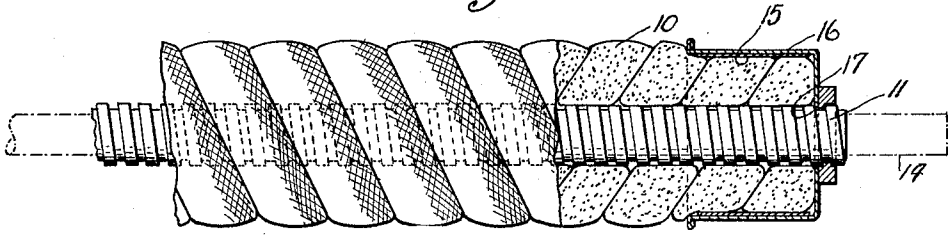


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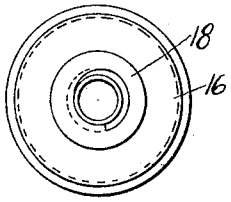


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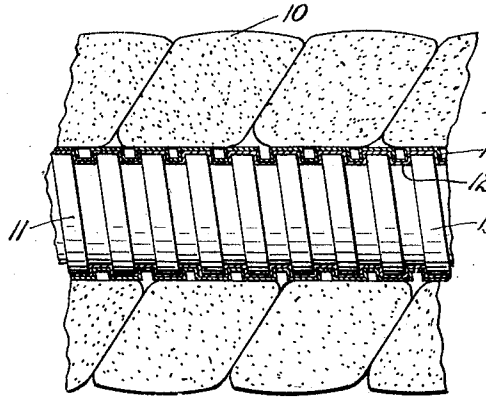


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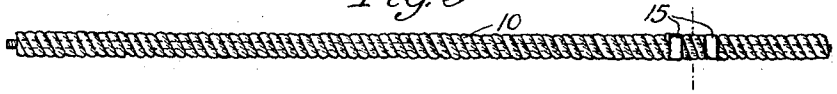


Fig. 6



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The invention relates to drapery fixtures, and particularly to rods for suspending curtains or draperies therefrom.

Drapery rods have been extensively used either made of wood or metal, and in order to harmonize the pleasing effect of interior decorations, the rods were made of artistic design.

The principal object of the invention aims at providing a drapery rod which enhances the ornamental effect of the rod.

A further object aims at employing rods covered with cord so that the harsh appearance of metal is eliminated and a drapery rod employed harmonizing with the soft fabric of drapes.

A still further object aims at providing a rod made of cord and maintaining said rod in taut condition.

Another object embraces the provision of a rod made of cord and arranged in arched or curved form, there being means for maintaining said rod in taut and rigid condition.

Other and equally important objects will appear from a perusal of the invention which comprises the means described in the following specification, particularly pointed out in the claims forming a part thereof, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which

Fig. 1 is a front view of a rod constructed in accordance with my invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged view of a rod, parts being shown in section to disclose interior construction.

Fig. 3 is an end view of the cord.

Fig. 4 is an enlarged fragmentary section through the rod.

Fig. 5 is a front view of the rod ready to be cut for use, and

Fig. 6 is a front view of a rod shaped into curved form.

Referring to the several views in the drawings, a cord 10 or a plurality of cords, either of silk or chenille or similar fabrics, are braided in tubular form around an armor 11 such as is used in armored cables.

The armor 11 forms an inner lining or sleeve and is covered on its outer side with a layer of shellac 12 which is superposed by a layer of glue 13 to cause adherence of the tubular member 10 to the armor 11.

In use a steel rod 14 is inserted into the sleeve 11 so that the rigid condition of the rod is maintained. Ordinarily the member 10 having been secured to and around the armor 11 is arranged in reels, and such reels are convenient for shipping. When a certain length rod is to be cut off, tape 15 is wound around the member 10 at two places equidistant from the cutting lines. After cutting the cord, a cap 16 having a central aperture 17 is forced onto the end of the corded member, the protruding end of the armor extending through said opening 17. A nut 18 is threaded onto the armor, whose spiral 19 serves as a thread.

The employment of tape and of the cap locked in position is resorted to to prevent unraveling of the cord.

In Fig. 6 the corded member is formed with an arch 20 intermediate its ends. In this case a steel rod 21 is inserted into the corded member to maintain the same rigidly in use.

The application of the drapery rod for suspending drapes therefrom is shown in Fig. 1 where the rod is supported in brackets 22 of any design, and a plurality of rings 23 are employed so that the drapes 24 equipped with hooks may be suspended from said rings, as will be readily understood by those versed in the art.

The invention has been described in connection with drapery rods, but its use is not limited thereto. Nor is it my intention to confine myself to the details of construction and arrangement as shown, but to include all such changes and variations constituting departures within the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

I claim:

1. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing, a cord covering said tubing, and means for maintaining said tubing and said cord in rigid position.

2. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing, a fabric covering said tubing and adhering thereto, and means for maintaining said tubing in rigid position.

3. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing, a fabric covering said tubing and adhering thereto, and means for maintaining said tubing in selected formation rigidly.

4. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing having a spiral thread, a cord covering said tubing, and a cap encasing the end of said cord and having a central opening through which said tubing protrudes.

5. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing having a spiral thread, a cord covering said tubing, and a cap encasing the end of said cord and having a central opening through which said tubing protrudes, and means threaded onto said tubing to hold said cap in place.

6. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing having a spiral thread, a cord covering said tubing, and a cap encasing the end of said cord and having a central opening through which said tubing protrudes, and means for maintaining said tubing in rigid position.

7. As an article of manufacture, a flexible tubing, a fabric covering said tubing and adhering thereto, and means coextensive with said tubing for maintaining the same in rigid position.

In witness whereof I affix my signature.

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