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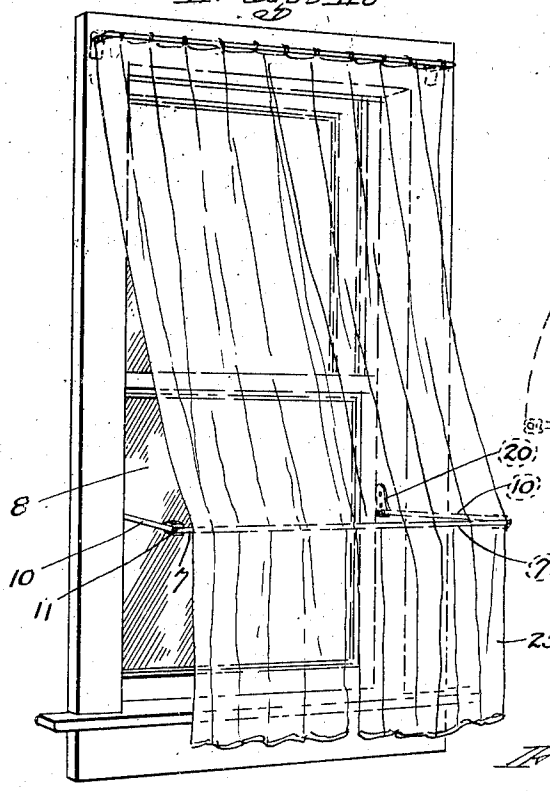


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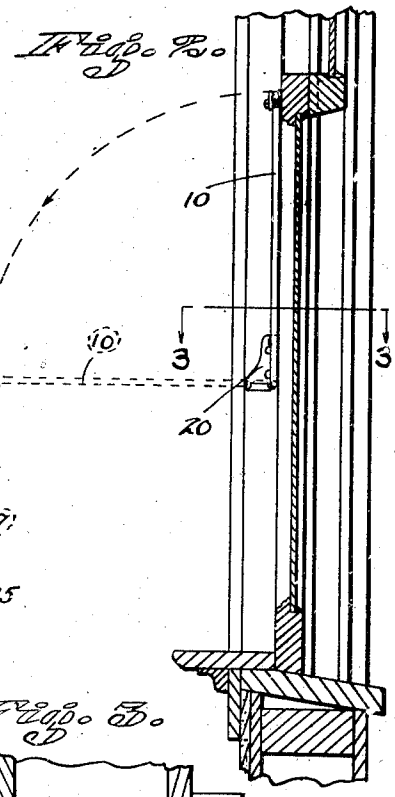


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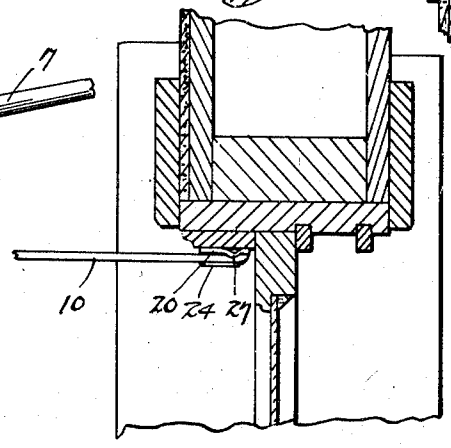


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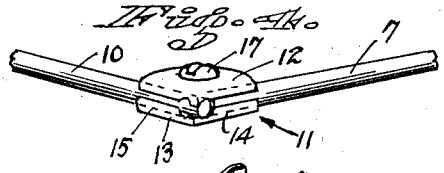
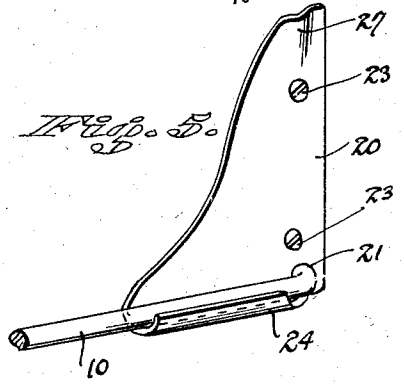


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This invention relates to guards or protectors for window curtains and shades and it has for one of its objects the provision of a device of the character mentioned whereby curtains and shades may be kept from being soiled under conditions hereinafter mentioned.

When windows are raised for the purpose of ventilation, the lower parts of the curtains are blown outside of rooms and are subjected to the soiling action of rain and dirt and to the tearing action of the wind. The wind also causes shades to flap against window frames, which is annoying and which also frequently damages the shades.

It is therefore, an object of our invention to provide a device whereby the mentioned undesirable effects will be eliminated.

With the foregoing objects in view, together with such other objects and advantages as may subsequently appear, this invention resides in the construction and arrangement of parts hereinafter described and claimed, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a window and a curtain adjacent thereto held in such position by the device of our invention that when the lower part of the window is raised, the lower part of the curtain will not be blown out through the window.

Figure 2 is a vertical section taken through the lower part of the window shown in Figure 1, this view also showing how the device of our invention may be turned upwardly when not in use to a position adjacent to the window, whereby the curtain or shade may resume its normal vertical position.

Figure 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Figure 2; and Figures 4 and 5 are perspective views of parts of the device of our invention.

Referring to the drawings for a more detailed description thereof, the device of our invention comprises a circular rod 7 which is shown in Figure 1 as being inside the lower section 8 of the window. Rod 7 is parallel with the window and is horizontally disposed. The rod 7 is spaced from the window by rods 10 which are parallel to each other. The rod 7 is secured to the rods 10 by means of clamps 11, which are similar and which are shown as comprising upper sections 12 and lower sections 13, each having opposing grooves therein. Each clamp has grooves 14 and 15 which are substantially at right angles to each other and extend from one side of the clamp to the opposite side. The sections 12 and 13 of the clamp are held together by screws 17. It will readily be seen that the rods 7 and 10 are adjustable in the clamps 11. The ends of the rods 10 are pivoted in plates 20 at the points 21. The plates 20 may be secured to the window frame, or adjacent part as shown in Figure 1, the screws 23 being employed as the fastening means. The lower edge of the plates 20 are provided with troughs 24, which are horizontal when the plates 20 are fastened in place. The troughs 24, therefore, hold the rods 10 and consequently the rods 7 in horizontal position.

It will be seen from Figure 1 that the rod 7 holds the curtain 25 away from the window, whereby better ventilation is secured when the window is open, than would be the case if the curtain were in its usual vertical position. Moreover, in the position shown in Figure 1, the curtain will not be blown to the outside through the window. The rods 10 being pivoted to the plates 20, the device may be turned from the horizontal position shown in Figure 1 to the vertical position in Figure 2.

According to our invention, we provide means for holding the device in the vertical position and such means are herein shown as being portions 27 of the upper parts of the plates 20. The portions 27 are projections from the body of the plate and are formed by bending parts of the plates from plain to curved surface.

While we have described one embodiment of our invention, modifications thereof may be readily devised without departing from the spirit of our invention, and it is to be understood that such modifications come within the scope of the appended claim.

We claim:

A curtain and shade guard comprising a bracket adapted to be secured to the side of a window frame; said bracket having a

trough-shaped groove at the bottom thereof, and an opening positioned adjacent to one end of the trough; a U-shaped frame, a free end of said U-shaped frame rotatively disposed in said opening; a portion of the leg of said frame being receivable in said trough-shaped groove when the frame is in a horizontal position for preventing lateral movement and twisting of said frame.

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