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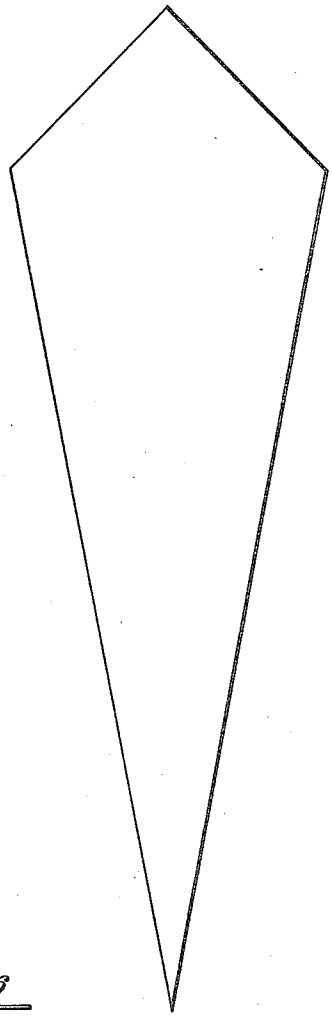


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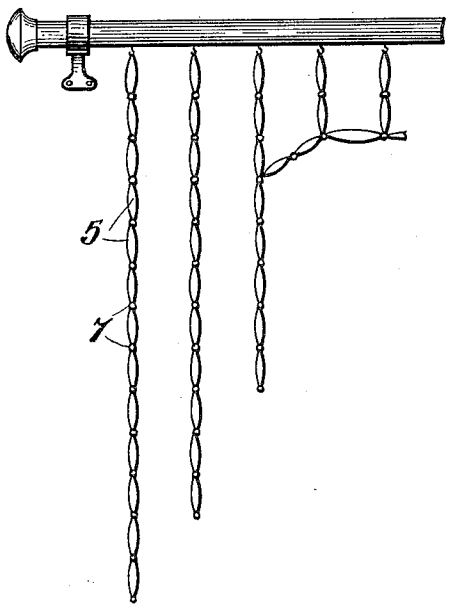
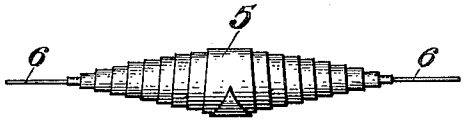


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS F. GRUBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Draperies, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to drapery of the plush-cord design, and has for its object to provide a novel form of cords, the same being formed of paper in such a manner that they may be easily and cheaply produced.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 shows a fragment of a curtain or portière of drapery composed of the paper units constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged elevation of one of the units. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the blank out of which the unit is made.

Referring specifically to the drawing the drapery cords are made up of bead-shaped units 5 strung on wire 6 and spaced endwise by beads 7. The strands of units may be assembled into any desired design. Each unit is formed out of a strip of paper, one of such strips being shown in Fig. 3, and the same may be wall, crape or other paper. The strip is tapered toward each end, the taper being more abrupt at one end than at the other. To form the unit, the strip is rolled on itself from the abruptly tapered end, with a needle, hat pin or other suitable device for a core, around which latter the strip is tightly wound. Thus a bead-like unit is formed, which is substantially cylindrical, with a taper toward each end. The outer end of the strip will be made fast by gluing, and the rolled up strip is given a protective coating of shellac which also stiffens it, so that it does not lose its shape. After being coated, the core is removed from the unit, leaving a longitudinal opening so that the unit may be strung, and the latter is slipped over a small nail or other support and left to dry, and after being thoroughly dried out, it is ready for use. The finished units are strung on a wire or cord, with the spacers 7 therebetween to form strands of bead-like units, which may then be assembled to form the curtain, portière or other drapery. The units are durable, and they can be easily and cheaply made.

I claim:

1. A drapery consisting of strands of units, each of which is composed of a paper strip which is rolled on itself into bead-like form.

2. A unit for a drapery strand comprising a strip of paper which is tapered toward both ends and rolled on itself into substantially cylindrical form, and a protective coating applied to the exterior of the rolled up strip.

3. A unit for a drapery strand comprising a strip of paper which is tapered toward both ends and rolled on itself into substantially cylindrical form with a central longitudinal passage, and a protective coating applied to the exterior of the rolled up strip.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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