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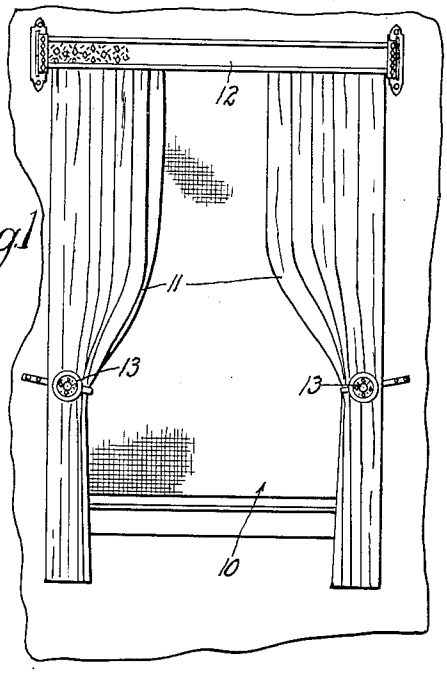


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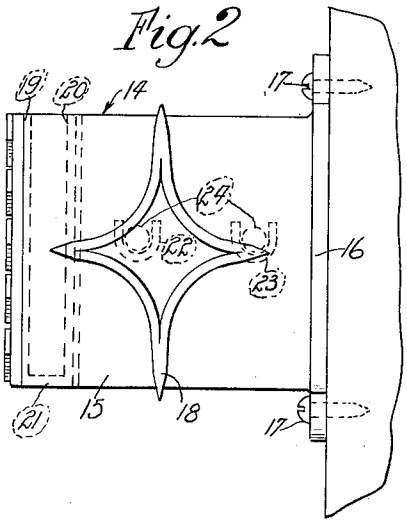


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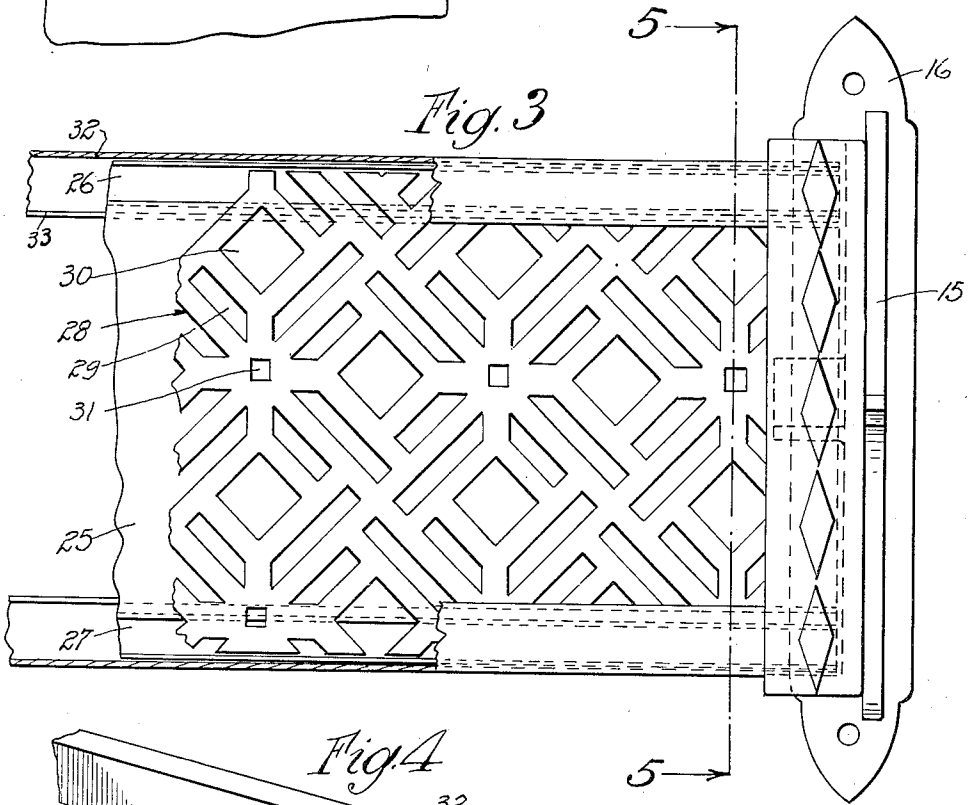
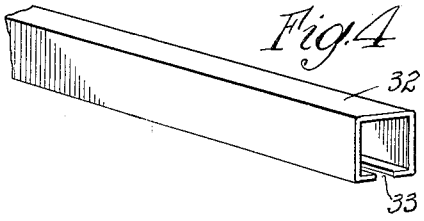


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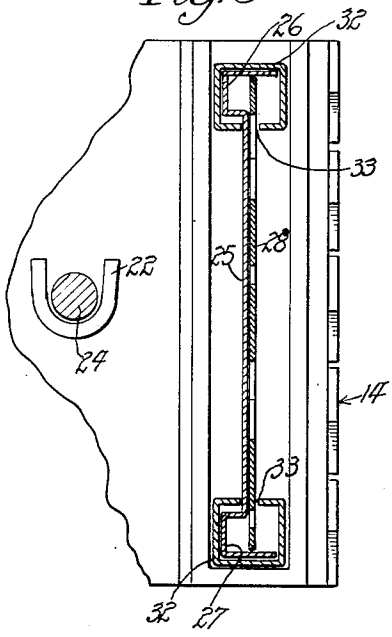


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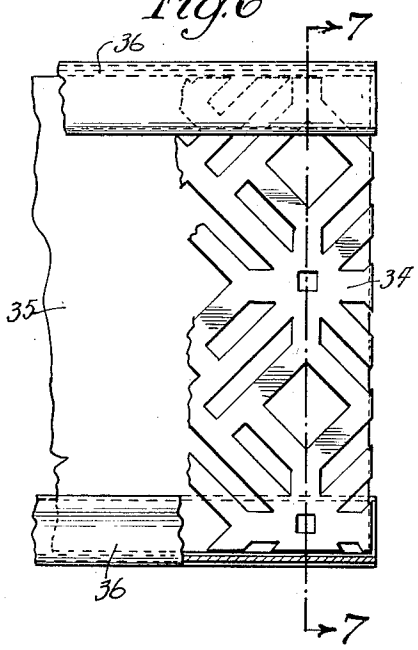


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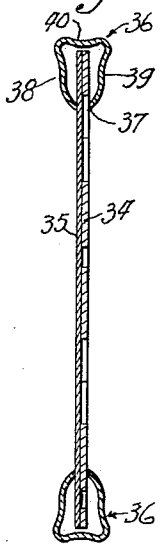


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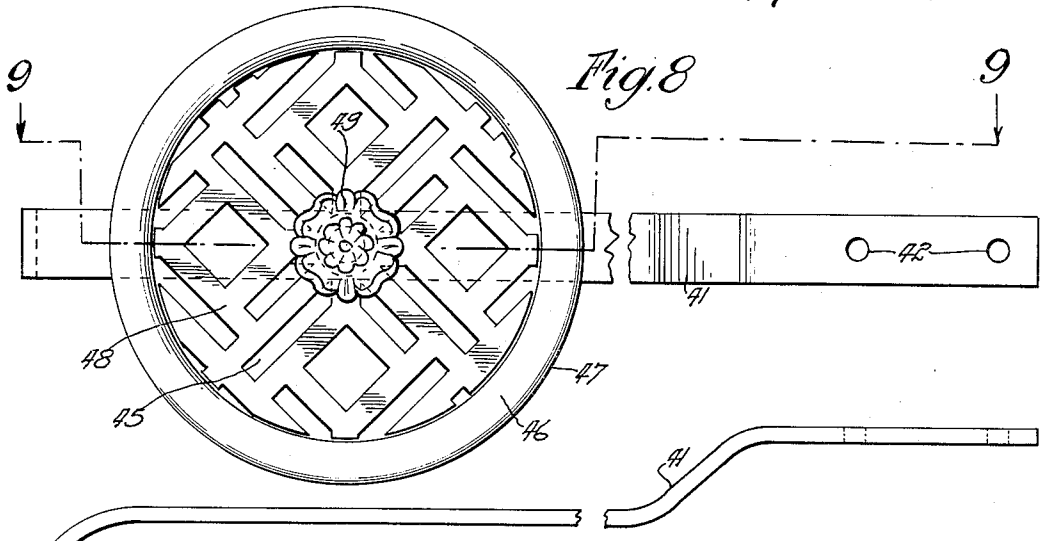
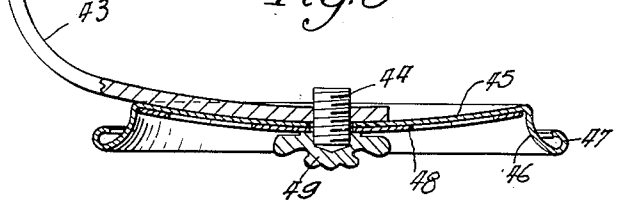


Fig. 9



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The invention relates to drapery fixtures, and particularly to window cornices forming ornamental covers shielding from view the rods and other suspension means for curtains and drapery.

The invention further relates to curtain tie-backs or hold backs.

Drapery fixtures of known construction are made either of solid material provided with ornamentations which are engraved, cut or otherwise secured to the solid material, or they are made of open work material, such as grilles.

It is, therefore, an object of the invention to provide a fixture which is made of a grille and yet has the appearance of being constructed of solid material.

It is a further object of the invention to provide a fixture having an ornamental grille and a background suitably colored to provide a contrast with the grille.

It is a further object of the invention to provide a fixture comprising a grille formed with a background, which latter may be removed at will and replaced by another background to suit a particular color contrasting scheme required.

It is also an object of the invention to provide means for conveniently supporting a cornice and enabling removal and insertion of a background with ease and dispatch.

The invention has as its further object to provide a background provided with a mirror surface to enhance the ornamental effect of the fixture.

It is also an object of the invention to provide certain features of construction and arrangement tending to enhance the appearance, ornamentation and usefulness of a fixture of the character described.

With these and other equally important objects in view which will become apparent from a perusal of the invention, the latter 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 an elevational view of a window provided with a cornice and a curtain tie-back constructed in accordance with my invention.

Fig. 2 is an enlarged end view of a cornice shown in Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is an enlarged fragmentary detail view of the end portion of a window cornice, parts being broken away to disclose interior construction.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a frame member.

Fig. 5 is a section on the line 5—5 of Fig. 3.

Fig. 6 is a fragmentary detail view of a slightly modified cornice.

Fig. 7 is a section on the line 7—7 of Fig. 6.

Fig. 8 is a front view of a curtain tie-back; and

Fig. 9 is a section on the line 9—9 of Fig. 8.

As indicated in Fig. 1, a window 10 draped with curtains 11 is provided with a cornice generally designated by 12, and is also provided with tie-backs generally designated by 13, which parts are applied to the window to enhance the ornamental appearance of a window.

The cornice is supported by end brackets 14 which comprises a plate 15 provided at one end with a flange 16, having apertures for the passage of screws 17 whereby the bracket is secured to the frame of the window.

The plate 15 is provided on the outer side with ornamentations 18 of any shape, form or configuration desired in accordance with the requirements of the particular case.

On the inner side, the bracket 14 is provided with vertical guide flanges 19 and 20, extending the entire width of the bracket, and having a horizontal member 21 connecting said flanges, the whole constituting a holding and guiding member for the cornice presently to be described.

The bracket 14 is also formed with bearings 22 and 23 in which respectively the ends of the curtain and drapery rods 24 are received.

The cornice is composed of two parts, one being a backing plate 25 which is bent at the upper and lower ends to provide U-members 26 and 27.

The cornice proper comprises an ornamental plate 28, which is constructed as a grille by having a series of cut-out portions 29, 30, 31 to provide an ornamental design.

It is, of course, within the scope of the invention to have any pattern or design desired, and the ornamental design shown in the drawings is merely shown by way of example and not by way of limitation.

In order to hold the grille plate 28 and the backing 25 in contact with one another, members 32 are provided at the top and the bottom of said members comprising a tube of square cross-section, and having the lower side provided with a slot 33 co-extensive with said members.

The cross-section of the member 32 is so dimensioned that it encompasses the horizontal edges of the grille plate and the U-shaped members of the backing plate.

Attention is called to the fact that by the de-

scribed construction it is possible to provide the backing plate with coloring of any hue desired, whereby a pleasing contrast may be established between the grille and the backing. Or if desired, the side of the backing plate contacting with the grille plate may be provided with a mirror surface.

Again it may be pointed out that by providing a backing independent of the grille plate but contacting therewith and securing such cornice parts together and supported in the manner described, it is an easy matter to exchange a backing plate for another one of different coloring so that the contrasting scheme between the backing and grille may be varied to suit the particular requirements.

The modification disclosed in Figs. 6 and 7 differs from the first described embodiment in firmly securing a grille plate 34 to a backing plate 35 by positively preventing relative motion to each other. To this end, retaining members 36 are employed which have substantially a triangle cross-section. At the apex of the triangle, a slot 37 is provided co-extensive with said member, and the said portions 38 and 39 are bent concavely the same as the base portion 40 of the triangle.

By this construction, the members 38 and 39 exert a spring pressure on the grille and backing, respectively, to hold the same in tight engagement preventing rattling or longitudinal displacement thereof.

In Figs. 8 and 9, a curtain tie-back is disclosed which comprises an arm 41 having apertures 42 for the insertion of a screw or other holding member to secure the device to a window frame. The arm 41 is bent to provide an open loop 43 and to the end thereof is secured by a threaded member 44, a backing plate 45 preferably, although not necessarily, constructed as a concavo-convex disk of circular outline, which terminates in a circumferential flange 46 provided with a rolled edge 47.

Attention is called to the fact that the form of the disk, nor the provision of a circumferential flange and the rolled edge are not per se a part of the invention, as any other construction or design may be employed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

The backing 45 is superposed by a grille 48 which may have any desired or conventional design. It is, of course, obvious that the backing may be provided with any desired coloring, so as to establish a contrast between the backing and the grille.

Of course, curtain tie-backs employed with a certain cornice will have the same coloring effect as the particular cornice, but any departure therefrom may be resorted to in accordance with the particular requirements of the user.

The backing 45 and the grille 48 are held together by the threaded member 44, which is provided with a head 49 in the form of an ordinary rosette.

While the drawings show preferred embodiments of the invention, the same are merely illustrated by way of explanation and not by way of limitation. Numerous changes, alterations, revisions, and modifications may be made within the purview of the invention.

I, therefore, do not wish to limit myself to the details of construction or arrangement of parts, as shown, but claim my invention as broadly as the state of the art permits.

I claim:

1. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor, and tubular means encompassing the longitudinal edges of said plates for securing said plates together.

2. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor, and tubular means co-extensive with and encompassing the said plates for removably securing said plates together.

3. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a colored backing plate therefor, and tubular means for removably securing said plates together.

4. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor having a pair of its edges formed to engage said face plate to retain it in position and tubular means for encompassing the longitudinal edges of said plates to hold them together.

5. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor, and a tubular retaining member to removably secure said plates together.

6. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor, and a pair of tubular retaining members encompassing the horizontal edges of said plates to removably secure them together.

7. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor having its horizontal edges formed to engage said face plate to retain it in position, and a pair of tubular retaining members encompassing the horizontal edges of said plates to removably secure them together.

8. An article of manufacture, comprising a face plate formed as a grille, a backing plate therefor, and spring means for removably securing said backing plate in contact with said face plate.

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