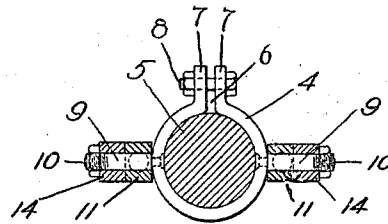
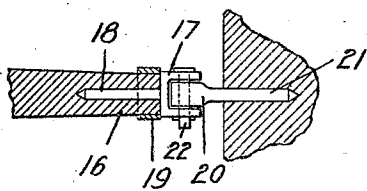
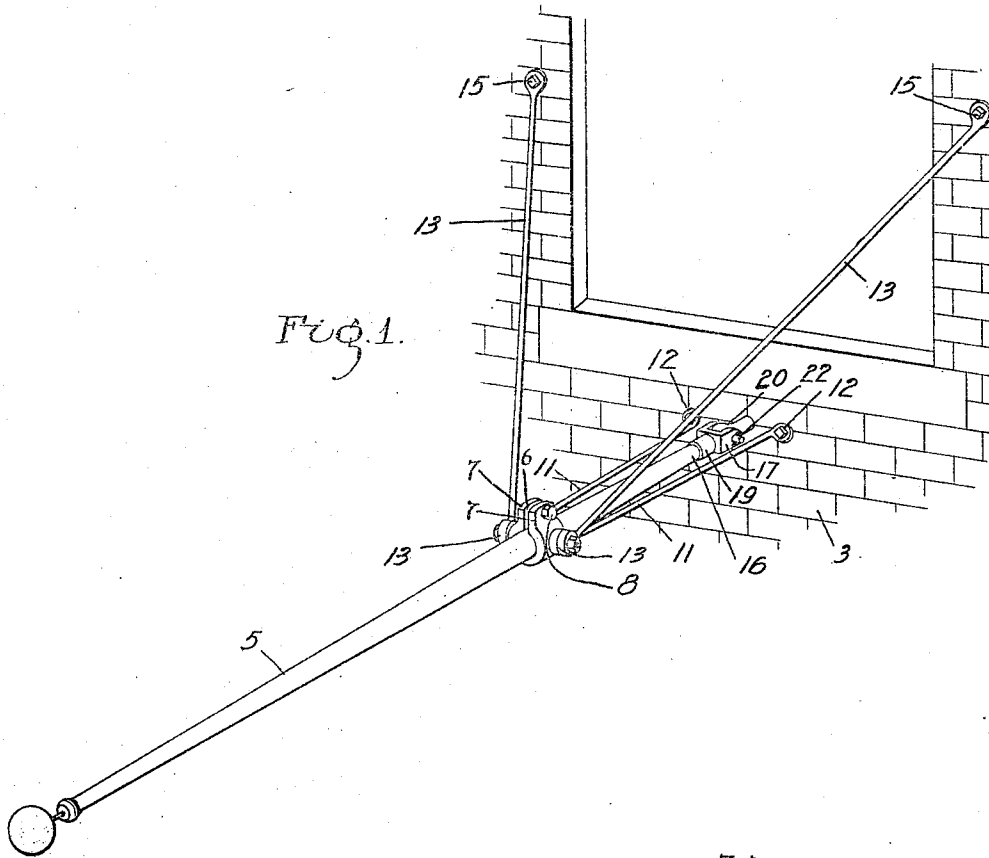


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. CONNELLY, a citizen of the United States, residing at East Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Flagpole-Supporting Devices, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in flagpole supports and particularly to supports for mounting flagpoles against the sides or the walls of buildings.

The object of this invention is to provide a simple, strong and rigid device for pivotally supporting a flagpole in position against the side of a building so that when it becomes necessary to reach the pulley end thereof, said pole may be swung either upwardly or downwardly, as convenience requires, into a position where said end may be reached from a window above or from below, thus rendering it unnecessary to entirely remove the pole from its fastenings.

The invention consists in the combination and arrangement of parts set forth in the following specification and particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a flagpole supported against the side of a building by means of a device embodying my invention.

Fig. 2 is a horizontal section through the inner end of the flagpole, illustrating the means for detachably securing said pole to the wall of a building.

Fig. 3 is a vertical transverse section through the strap to which supporting members are attached.

Like numerals refer to like parts in all views of the drawings.

In the drawings, 3 indicates the side wall of a building. 4 is a strap which is adapted to surround a pole 5 at a distance from the foot end of said pole. The strap 4 is split at 6 and provided with ears 7, 7 which are adapted to be drawn together by a bolt 8 so as to firmly secure said strap to said pole. The strap 4 is furthermore provided with trunnions 9 extending laterally from said strap in opposite directions and with their axes lying in a horizontal plane, said trunnions being preferably riveted to said strap. The outer ends of said trunnions are screw threaded to receive nuts 10, 10 for the purpose hereinafter set forth.

The trunnions 9 are pivotally connected with a pair of stays 11 arranged upon opposite sides of the pole 5 but in close proximity thereto and these stays extend from the strap 4 to the wall 3 to which they are secured by any suitable means, such as screws 12, as shown in the drawings. These stays are adapted to maintain the strap 4 at the desired distance from the wall 3.

A pair of braces 13 have eyes 14 which pivotally engage the trunnions 9 in close proximity to the stays 11. These eyes, together with said stays, are prevented from moving longitudinally of said trunnions by the nuts 10, 10 hereinafter referred to. The braces 13 extend from said trunnions preferably upwardly divergently and are fastened at their upper ends, by means of screws or expansion bolts 15, to the wall 3, said braces, together with said stays, forming a rigid support for the strap 4 and upon which said strap may be pivoted, as hereinafter set forth.

The inner end 16 of the pole 5 is provided with an eye 17, said eye being preferably forked and having a pointed shank 18 which is driven into the end of said pole and the pole is reinforced by a ferrule or band 19 to prevent it from splitting.

The eye 17 is adapted to engage an eye 20 preferably provided with a pointed shank 21 and this shank is adapted to be driven into the wall 3 and the eye thereof is detachably connected with the forked end of the eye 17 by means of a pin 22.

By means of the structure hereinbefore described, the pole may be mounted against the side of a building in close proximity to a window, as shown, and in a position where it may be easily reached to put out and take in the flag. In a flagpole of this type, the flag suspended therefrom very often becomes wound about the pole and in consequence thereof is exceedingly difficult to take in but with the device embodying this invention, as herein shown and described, the pole 5 may, by removing the pin 22, be rocked in a vertical plane about the axes of the trunnions 9 so as to lift the outer end of the pole, or said pole may be turned in the opposite direction with the outer end of the pole pointing downwardly, thus bringing the end of said pole into a position where it may be easily reached from a window above or from below, and the flag may be easily unwound

from the pole, or the halyard, by which said flag is secured to said pole, may be removed or replaced.

Furthermore, with the outer end of the pole easily accessible, the halyards may be entirely dispensed with if desired and the flag may be secured directly to said pole by any of the numerous detachable fastening means provided for such purposes.

Having thus specifically described my invention what I claim and desire by Letters Patent to secure is:

1. The combination with a pole, of a strap secured to said pole at a distance from the foot thereof, stays disposed adjacent to opposite sides of said pole, adapted to pivotally engage and position said strap, a pair of braces having pivotal engagement with said strap, adapted to cooperate with said stays to support said strap, an eye provided with a shank adapted to be driven into a stationary support, a second eye provided with a shank adapted to be driven into the end of said pole and detachable fastening means adapted to connect said eyes together, whereby said pole will be prevented from rocking upon its pivot.

2. The combination with a flagpole, of a strap, means adapted to clamp said strap to said pole at a distance from the foot thereof, trunnions projecting laterally of said strap, stays disposed adjacent opposite sides of said pole, said stays each having one of their ends fixed with the other end thereof pivotally engaging said trunnions, and a pair of braces adapted to pivotally engage said trunnions and support said strap.

3. A flagpole supporting device embodying in its construction a strap, means for securing said strap to said pole, trunnions disposed laterally of said strap, the axes of said trunnions adapted to lie in a horizontal

plane, stays pivotally connected with said trunnions, adapted to position said strap at a predetermined distance from said pole fastening means, a pair of upwardly diverging braces pivotally engaging said trunnions, adapted to support said strap, and means independent and distinct from said stays and said braces adapted to be fastened to a stationary support and to engage the foot of said pole to fasten it in position.

4. A flagpole supporting device embodying in its construction a strap, means for securing said strap at a predetermined distance from the foot of said pole, means for pivotally supporting said strap, a fixed eye, a second eye provided with a shank adapted to be driven into the end of said pole, and detachable means adapted to connect the eye of said pole with said fixed eye, whereby said pole will be prevented from rocking about the axis of said strap.

5. A flagpole supporting device having, in combination, a strap, means adapted to secure said strap to the pole at a predetermined distance from the foot thereof, means for pivotally supporting said strap, a forked member provided with a shank adapted to be driven into the end of said pole, the median axial line of said shank being coincident with the median axial line of said pole, a fixed eye, and means to detachably secure said forked member to said eye, whereby the pivotal movement of said pole will be prevented.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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