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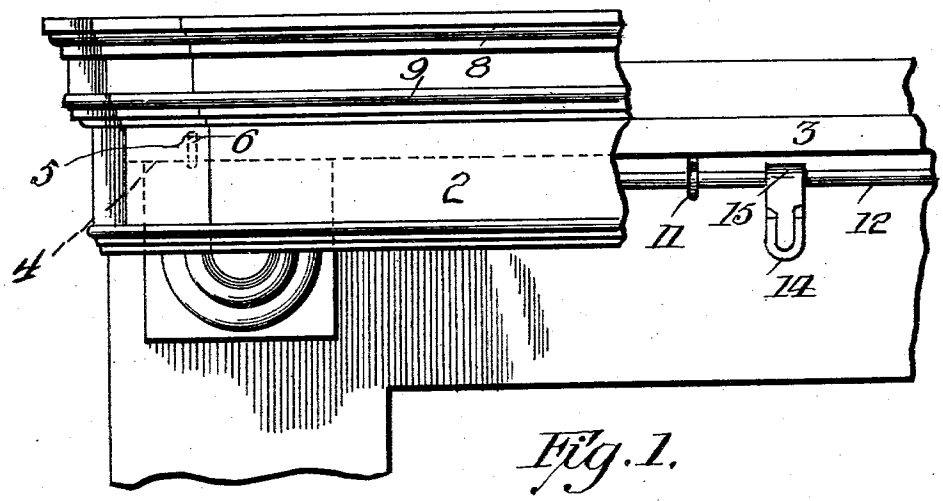


Fig. 1.

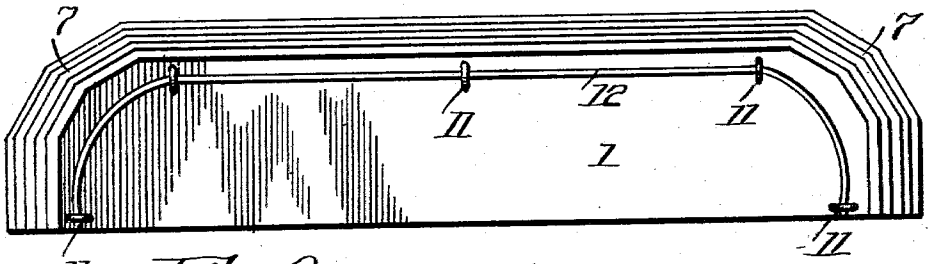


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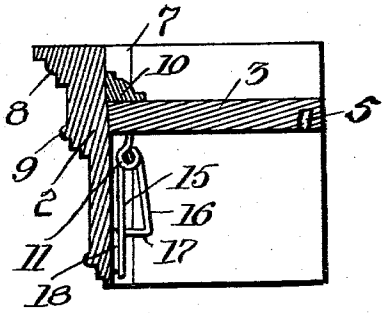


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. MAYS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Fixtures, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in curtain-brackets, and more particularly to the class which is employed to support lace curtains and the like; and it is the object of my invention to provide a curtain-bracket wherein the curtain may be mounted, a suitable shield being provided to incase the upper end of the curtain, whereby the supporting means is hidden from view.

A further object of my invention is to provide a curtain-bracket which will present a neat and attractive appearance and in no way mar the framework of the window when the same is attached thereto.

A still further object is to provide a curtain-bracket which will be extremely simple in construction, strong and durable, and highly efficient in use.

Briefly described, my invention comprises a bracket or shield which is supported upon the top of a window-frame, and in said bracket or shield is mounted a wire, upon which the hooks supporting the curtain are slidably mounted.

In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and wherein like numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout the several views, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of a portion of a window-frame, showing my improved bracket in position thereon, a portion of the bracket being broken away to show the rod mounted therein. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of the bracket. Fig. 3 is a sectional view thereof.

To put my invention into practice, I provide a bracket or shield 1, which comprises a front wall 2 and a horizontal partition 3, said partition being adapted to brace the front wall 2, and when the bracket is placed upon the window-frame the rear side of this partition is adapted to rest upon the top edge of the window-frame, as indicated at 4, and in order to secure the same thereon an aperture 5 is formed in the partition 3, in which is adapted to be seated a pin 6, which is driven into the top edge of the window-frame. While I have shown this means of securing the bracket to the window-frame, it is obvious that any desired means may be employed.

The shield or bracket 1 is preferably oblong in shape and is made to conform to the width of the window-frames. The corners of said brackets may be rounded or beveled, as indicated at 7, whereby a neat appearance will be provided. The front wall 2 of the shield or bracket may be made of any desired material and the same decorated with a series of moldings, as indicated at 8 and 9. Suitably bracing this front wall 2 is an angle-bar 10, which is secured to the partition 3, whereby the front wall will be normally held in vertical alinement with the partition 3. To the under face of this partition I secure a plurality of eyes or hooks 11, through which passes a wire 12, the ends of said wire conforming to the shape of the ends of the bracket, and secured upon said wire by any suitable means I support the curtain. (Not shown in the drawings.)

The curtain may be supported upon the wire, as heretofore stated, by any desired means, and in the drawings I have shown a hook 14, which is attached to the curtains, the upper end of the hook, as indicated at 15, passing over the wire 12 and adjustable thereon. This hook comprises a shank portion 15 and a side member 16, which is bent inwardly at right angles, as indicated at 17, and then downwardly, as indicated at 18.

When it is desired to attach the hook to the curtain, the members 15 and 16 are forced together, whereby the downwardly-extending portion 18 is forced outwardly from engagement with member 15, whereby the curtain may be secured therebetween. These hooks are preferably made of some spring material, whereby the closed position, as illustrated in Fig. 3 of the book, will be its normal position.

It will be noted that the front wall of my improved curtain-bracket may be made of any

material, and, as illustrated in the drawings, the same represents a bracket as being made of wood upon which the moldings and cornices have been pressed, and in the use of this material it will be seen that the bracket may be made to present a neat appearance.

It will further be noted that various changes may be made in the details of construction without departing from the general spirit of my invention.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A curtain-bracket comprising an oblong casing, a partition mounted in said casing, a wire secured upon the partition, said wire being mounted to conform to the contour of the casing, hooks adjustably mounted upon said wire, said hooks adapted to support the curtain, and means for supporting and securing the bracket to the framework of a window, substantially as described.

2. A curtain-bracket comprising an oblong casing, a partition mounted in said casing, a wire secured upon the partition, said wire being mounted to conform to the contour of the casing, hooks adjustably mounted upon said wire, said hooks adapted to support the curtain, said partition having a plurality of apertures formed therein, said apertures adapted to engage pins carried by the upper edge of a window-frame, substantially as described.

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

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