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Fig. 1.

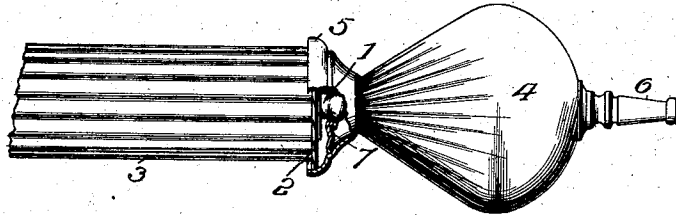


Fig. 2.

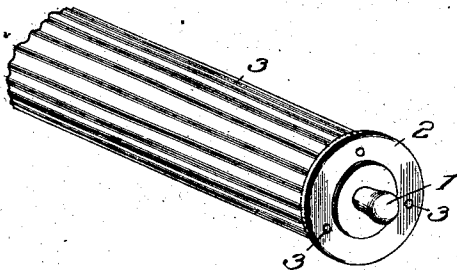


Fig. 3.

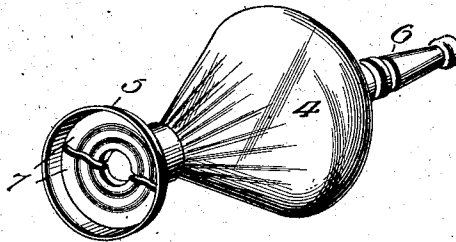
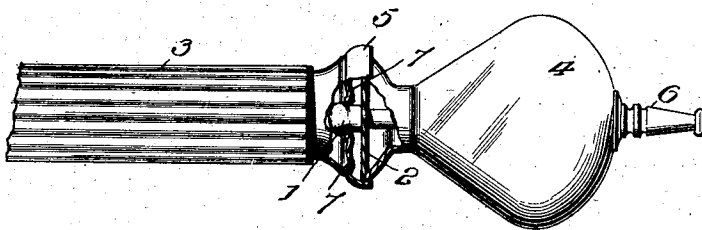


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES B. DAWES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Johnstown, in the county of Fulton and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fasteners for Curtain-Pole Tips, of which the following is a specification.

Poles for curtains, portières, lambrequins, and like draperies have tips or ends to give a finished appearance. These tips are generally of metal and are variously shaped, the designs being numerous. For the most part screws are employed as fastening means to attach the ornamental tips to the ends of the poles, and inasmuch as the ornamental ends are required to be removed frequently the screw-holes become worn or the screws loose or the tip bent or from other cause vexation and annoyance are occasioned.

This invention provides a fastening means operable by a snap action, thereby admitting of the ornament being quickly applied to the pole and instantly removed therefrom, the ornament being adapted to be freely turned when attached to the pole, so as to face any side out.

The invention consists of the novel features, details of construction, and combination of the parts which hereinafter will be more fully disclosed and finally claimed, and for this purpose and also to acquire a knowledge of the merits of the invention and the structural details of the means whereby the results are attained reference is to be had to the appended description and the drawings hereto attached.

While the essential and characteristic features of the invention are susceptible of modification, still the preferred embodiment of the invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of a curtain-pole or ornament embodying the invention, parts being broken away to show more clearly the joint. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the end of the pole. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the ornament or tip. Fig. 4 is a view similar to Fig. 1, showing a modification.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated

in all the views of the drawings by the same reference characters.

The fastener comprises a stud and socket, which are adapted to be applied to the respective parts of the pole and tip or ornament, as may be found most advantageous. In the construction shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 the socket is applied to the tip or ornament and the stud to the pole, whereas in the modification illustrated in Fig. 4 the stud is affixed to the ornament or tip and the socket secured to the pole.

In the preferred construction, which is that illustrated in Fig. 1 and the detail views thereof, the stud 1 forms a part of a plate 2, which is of disk form and is adapted to be secured to the pole 3 by brads or like fastenings passed through openings of the plate and driven into the end of the pole. The stud 1 is approximately of round form and enlarged at its outer end, the inner portion being reduced to form a neck, which is tightly embraced by the socket when the parts of the fastener are snapped together or coupled. Obviously the stud 1 may be secured to the pole in any manner within the purview of the invention.

The tip or ornament 4 is provided with a cap 5 at its inner or attaching end to give a finished appearance to the extremity of the pole, said cap being of any design or shape, so as to decorate the extremity of the pole. The cap 5 may form a part of the tip or ornament or be attached thereto in any way, and, as shown, a rod 6 extends through the tip or ornament and serves as a means to connect the cap thereto, the outer end of the rod extending beyond the tip to form an embellishment. The socket is arranged within the cap 5 and is supported and housed thereby and comprises a number of sections 7, which are soldered or otherwise attached intermediate of their ends to the cap, so as to leave the end portions free for contraction and expansion essential to the coupling and uncoupling of the fastener. The end portions of the sections are spaced apart to admit of play or free movement in the operation of the fastener. The inner edges of the sections 7 are notched and flanged, and when the sections are in place the notches unitedly form the opening provided for the reception

of the stud 1, the flanged edges of the notches providing an extended bearing-surface to grip the sides of the stud. The opening of the socket is slightly smaller than the outer end of the stud 1 and corresponds approximately to the neck or reduced portion of said stud, so as to hug the sides thereof closely when the parts of the fastener are coupled. When the tip or ornament 4 is coupled to the pole, said tip may be turned to cause any desired side or portion to face outward, the fastener admitting of the free rotation of the tip, while at the same time holding it against casual displacement.

15 In the construction shown in Fig. 4 the cap 5 is applied to the end of the pole and contains the socket, and the stud 1 is applied to the tip or ornament, the construction and operation being substantially the same as herein described.

20 Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. In combination with a curtain-pole and an ornamental tip therefor, a stud applied to

one of said parts, a cap attached to the other 25 part, and a socket housed by said cap and composed of independent sections connected intermediate of their ends to the cap and having their extremities free and spaced from each other, substantially as set forth. 30

2. In combination, a curtain-pole, a plate secured to the end of the curtain-pole and provided with a stud having its outer end enlarged and made rounding, an ornamental tip, a cap secured to said tip, and a socket 35 located within said cap and composed of a series of sections secured intermediate of their ends to the cap and having their extremities free and spaced apart, the parts being combined and adapted to operate substantially 40 in the manner set forth.

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

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