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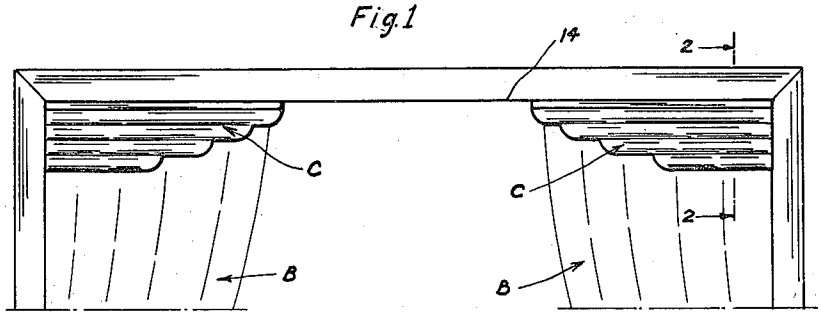


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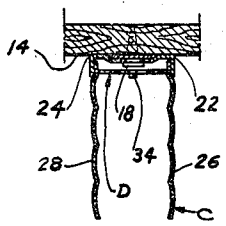


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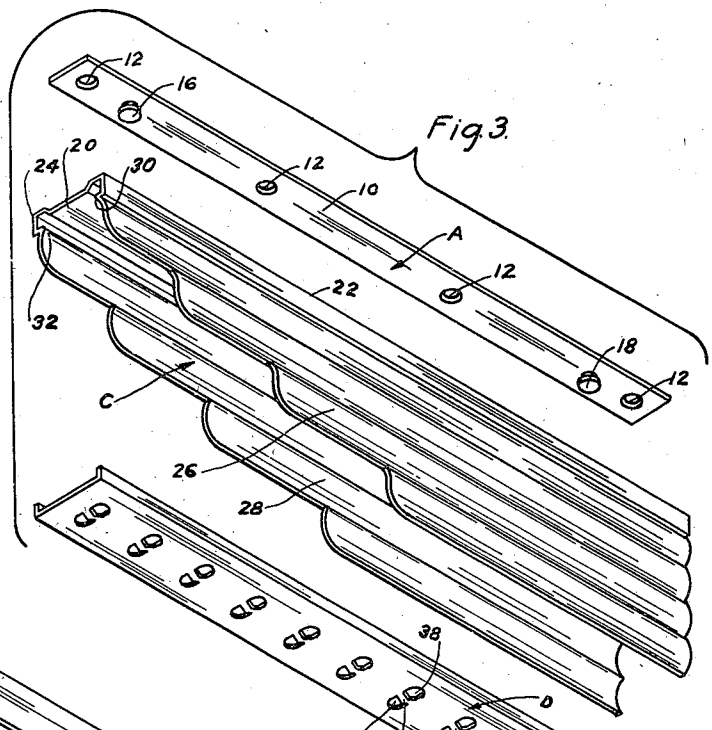
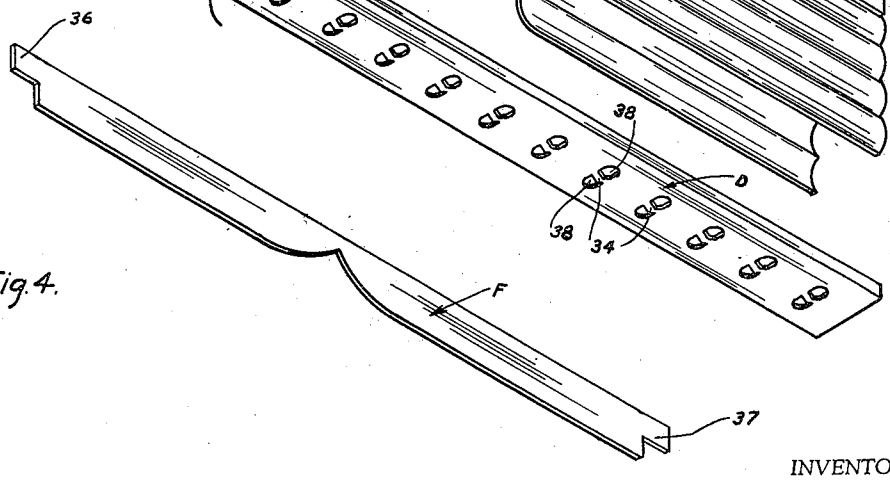


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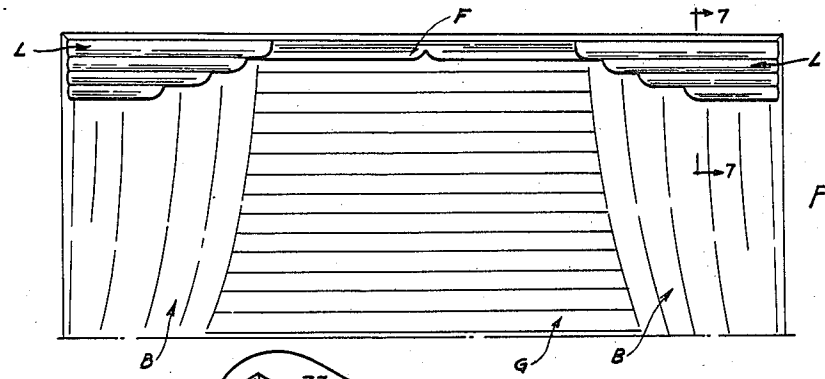


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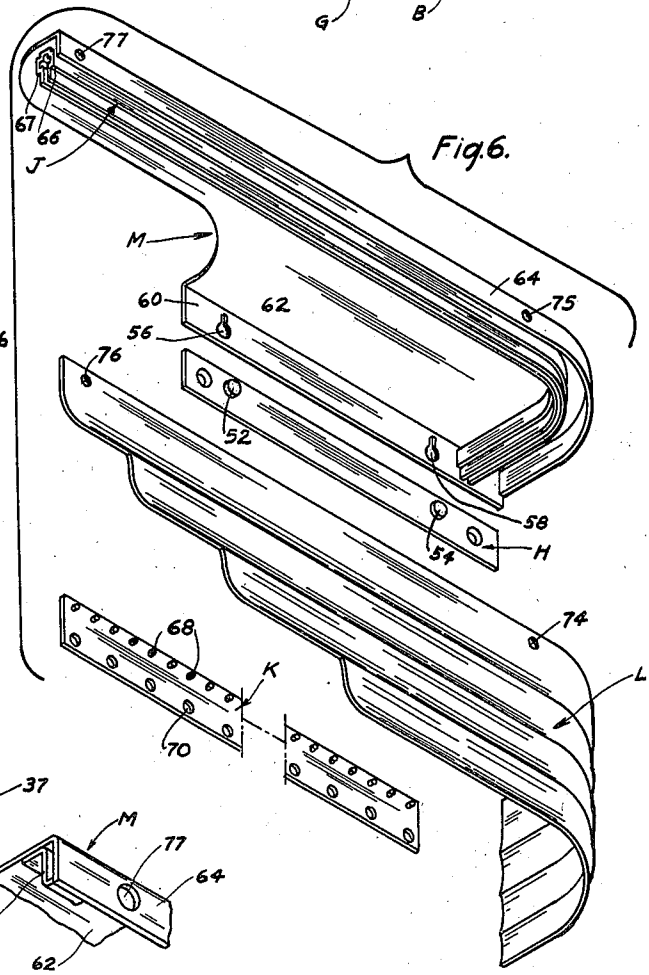


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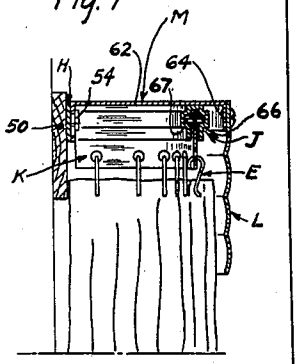


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My invention relates to hangers and relates particularly to drapery hangers adapted to lie against the side wall of a room entrance or adjacent a window.

Drapery hangers have been used, but it has been found that the draperies are usually draped or spaced from the side walls to an extent which counteracts the attractive appearance created.

It is an object of my invention to hold the draperies immediately adjacent the side frame of the entrance and in the same plane as the soffit of the door in order to get the full esthetic effect of the draperies and to keep the draperies in permanent alignment.

It is also an object of my invention to utilize and to hang draperies immediately alongside of windows so that the draperies will hang parallel to the window frames and are properly and esthetically aligned with the windows.

Another object of my invention is to provide an artistic drapery hanger, which properly drapes the draperies and which blends artistically with the draperies.

Another object of my invention is to provide a stamped metal drapery hanger, which is relatively light in weight.

Other objects of my invention are to provide an improved device of the character described, that is easily and economically produced, which is sturdy in construction, and wherein the parts are readily detachable.

With the above and related objects in view, my invention consists in the following details of construction and combination of parts, as will be more fully understood from the following description, when read in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a front view showing my invention as applied to a soffit of an entrance.

Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the elements comprising my drapery hanger.

Fig. 4 is a metal member adapted to be placed between two complementary drapery hangers embodying my invention.

Fig. 5 shows a modification of my invention wherein draperies are hung on my improved drapery hanger located adjacent a window.

Fig. 6 is an exploded view of the elements comprising my drapery hanger, which is adapted to be placed adjacent a window.

Fig. 7 is a sectional view taken on the line 7—7 of Fig. 5.

Fig. 8 is a fragmentary view showing the interfitting center cover plate and the end cover plate.

Referring now in detail to the drawings wherein my invention is shown in Figs. 1 to 3, I show a substantially rectangular supporting bar or bracket, generally designated as A. The bar A has a main portion 10 with a plurality of holes 12, which are adapted to have screws pass therethrough so that the bar A may be held against the soffit or underside of a top of an opening, such as a window 14. The bar A has a plurality of holding members 16 and 18 thereon, each of which has an enlarged head spaced from the under surface of the bar 10. Each fabric drapery is generally designated as B.

A metal artistically constructed member is adapted to hide drapery hooks, each of which is designated as E, and blends with the drapes as well as the entrance jamb and a hook support, which is generally designated as D and K. The artistic concealing member comprises a channel member 20 with a plurality of complementary keyhole slots therein to interfit with the suppport holding studs 16 and 18. The keyhole slots in the member 20 are adapted to fit over the members 16 and 18 so that the cover member C may be slipped on or off the studs 16 and 18 without the use of any instrument, and the smaller portions of the slots fit against the studs. The edge 22 of the cover member B is adapted to lie flush against the underside of the soffit 14, and it should be noted that the side edge 24 is opposite and parallel to the edge 22. The artistic side 26 of cover member C is stamped integral with the central channel 20, and the side cover has a plurality of various length curved portions to give the cover an attractive appearance. A similar side cover 28 is spaced from and aligned with the side cover.

It should be noted that the side cover walls 26, 28 have an inturned sections 30 and 32, respectively, whereby the inturned portions 30 and 32 are spaced from the top horizontal section 20 in order to support a channeled hook-supporting runner member, generally designated as D. The channeled hook-supporting runner member D is adapted to slide upon the side cover edges 30 and 32. The channeled hook-supporting member has a plurality of hook supports 34 defined by openings 38 adjoining the hook supports 34. A portion of the hook fits around the hook support 34 and through the complementary openings 38, 38 in the metal. It should be apparent that one hook may be placed on one support 34. Each hook, of course, pierces and holds a portion of but one drapery.

Drapery hooks, generally designated as E, are illustrated in Fig. 7, and they hold each drapery B to the hanger.

For a better understanding of my invention, it is assembled in the following manner: the joining or supporting bar A is held to the underside or the soffit **14** by means of wood screws, and then the side cover unit C is slipped upon the hangers of the bar A by virtue of the interfitting bayonet connections.

Hooks E are placed in a suitable manner on the complementary supports **34** of the slide D, and then the slide D is positioned outwardly of the end of guides **30, 32**. The draperies are hung upon the hooks E of the slide D, and after the drapery has been properly spaced, the slide D is pushed toward the entrance.

It should be seen in Fig. 1 that one drapery is for the right-hand side of the room entrance, and one drapery is for the left-hand side of the room entrance. The right hand and left hand drapery hangers are complementary to one another and are constructed in an identical manner, the hanger units usually being made of sheet metal or sheet steel in a pressing operation.

Drapery hanger for windows

Referring to Fig. 5, I show Venetian blinds, generally designated as G, with draperies B, B draped alongside of the Venetian blinds. The Venetian blind is constructed adjacent the window. The drapery hanger is positioned so that it may be attached to the side of the window lintel **50** and comprises a rectangular member, generally designated as H, which has a plurality of screw openings therethrough as well as a plurality of projecting holding studs **52** and **54**. The holding studs **52, 54** interfit with key-hole openings **56** and **58** in the side flange member **60**. The drapery unit M comprises a metal stamping having a side member **60** and a horizontally extending member **62** and a front rim or flange **64**.

A track J is supported from the underside of the horizontal member **62** and has spaced horizontal metal members **66** and **67** to support sliding pins **68**. The pins **68** pass through suitable complementary openings in a vertically arranged flexible hook support, generally designated as K. The drapery support K of flexible metal is adapted to be vertically positioned and has a plurality of holes **70** for the reception of complementary drapery hooks E. The flexible support enables the draperies to be curved the same as lace curtain rods, thus enhancing the appearance of the unit. Prior to my invention, it was customary for draperies to be hung spaced from the window frame.

It is to be noted that the end of the track J is curved so that the drapery lies immediately adjacent or flush against the window frame and parallel to a cover plate, generally designated as L. The curvature of the track compels the flexible hanger K to bend.

It should be noted that after the hooks E are placed upon the slidable support K, the hooks extend adjacent the Venetian blinds by virtue of the curved end of the supports K. Therefore, the drapery is hung immediately adjacent the Venetian blind.

In Fig. 6 I show that the artistic hook cover member L has holes **74, 76** therein so that the holes may be aligned with complementary holes **75, 77** in the flange **64**, thereby the track and hooks are covered, and the aligned holes have a holding bolt pass therethrough so that the cover L will be held in position.

An artistically designed center metal hook cover, generally designated as F, may be positioned between the cover L of each of the right and left hand drapery hanger units M and is of an artistic shape with horizontally aligned extensions **36, 37** at each end. The extensions **36, 37** are adapted to rest upon supports, such as those designated **37A**, which are on each of the drapery hangers M. Each of the supports **37A** comprises a strip formed as a Z iron, and they are fastened to the top member **62** at a point closest to the center of the window.

An inspection of Fig. 5 reveals that the two drapery hangers are placed adjacent the lintel of the window, and it gives the window the appearance of being artistically and attractively draped.

The elements illustrated in Fig. 6 are assembled adjacent a window in a manner analogous to that in which elements of Fig. 3 are assembled.

Although my invention has been described in considerable detail, such description is intended as illustrative rather than limiting, since the invention may be variously embodied, and the scope of the invention is to be determined as claimed.

I claim as my invention:

1. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be placed under a soffit, a channel cover member comprising parallel artistically arranged cover members, a web joining the upper portions of said cover members, tracks integrally formed in each of said cover members by virtue of an inwardly extending aligned offset on each of said members, a slide adapted to rest upon said tracks, and said slide having a plurality of hooks fixed at a predetermined distance apart.

2. A drapery hanger adapted to be placed upon the lintel of a window having Venetian blinds, said drapery hanger comprising a holding bar adapted to be placed against the lintel, a pair of vertically arranged parallel flanges, a supporting member having a track thereon parallel to the front flange and turned to terminate in a rear flange, means on said rear flange adapted to interfit with said bar whereby the bar and support member will be carried together, an artistic member for said hanger, a slidable support adapted to interfit with said track, said slidable support having a plurality of openings therein, hooks adapted to fit with said openings, and said slidable member having a flexible end whereby the drape may be hung immediately adjacent the window frame.

3. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be detachably secured to a lintel or soffit, a drapery support adapted to be attached to the above-mentioned member, hook support slidably mounted upon said drapery support, and an artistic outside cover member suspended from said drapery support.

4. A drapery hanger comprising a detachably supported member, a track on said member, a drapery hanger support comprising a flexible member, means on said flexible member and engageable with said track whereby the drapery hanger may be slidably moved in the tracks, said track being curved adjacent one end, and said drapery hanger adapted to be bent around and conform to said curved track.

5. A drapery hanger comprising a detachably supported member, a track on said member, a drapery hanger support comprising a flexible member, means on said flexible member and engageable with said track whereby the drapery

hanger may be slidably moved in the tracks, said track being curved adjacent one end, said drapery hanger adapted to be bent around and conform to said curved track, and an artistic cover partially surrounding said track and said hook members.

6. A stamped-out metal drapery hanger adapted to hold draperies immediately adjacent side frames of an entrance or window comprising a base plate, said base plate adapted to be held in position on a frame by means of screws, a drapery support, means between said drapery support and said plate comprising key-hole joint holding members whereby the drapery hanger can be slipped on or off said base plate, means cooperable with said track for supporting drapery hooks, said means slidable on said tracks, and an artistic cover plate for said drapery hanger, said cover plate being detachably mounted upon said drapery support.

7. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be secured to a lintel or soffit, a drapery support adapted to be detachably connected to the above-mentioned support, said support comprising an integrally formed connecting member having substantially parallel side members, said side members having inwardly turned parallel projections to form horizontally positioned tracks, and each inturned track being intermediate the top and horizontal edges of each side.

8. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be secured to a lintel or soffit, a drapery support adapted to be detachably connected to the above-mentioned support, said support comprising an integrally formed connecting member having substantially parallel side members, said side members having inwardly turned parallel projections to form horizontally positioned tracks, each inturned track being intermediate the top and horizontal edges of each side, and a bar adapted to interfit with said runners and having a plurality of fixedly spaced hook supports thereon whereby a drapery may be fixedly positioned.

9. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be secured to a lintel or soffit, a drapery support adapted to be detachably connected to the above-mentioned support, said drapery support comprising an integrally formed connecting member having substantially parallel side members, said side members having inwardly turned coplanar projections to form horizontally positioned tracks, each inturned track being intermediate the top and bottom edges of each side, and the lower portion of said parallel sides serving as a guide for a flexible hook carrying member which is slidable on said track.

10. A drapery hanger comprising a support adapted to be secured to a lintel or soffit, a drapery support adapted to be detachably connected to the above-mentioned support, said drapery support comprising an integrally formed connecting member having substantially parallel side members, said side members having inwardly turned coplanar projections to form horizontally positioned tracks, each inturned track being intermediate the top and bottom edges of each side, the lower portion of said parallel sides serving as a guide for a flexible hook carrying member which is slidable on said track, and said track having a rectilinear portion and a contiguous curvilinear portion in order to have the hook carrying member bent immediately adjacent the window.

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