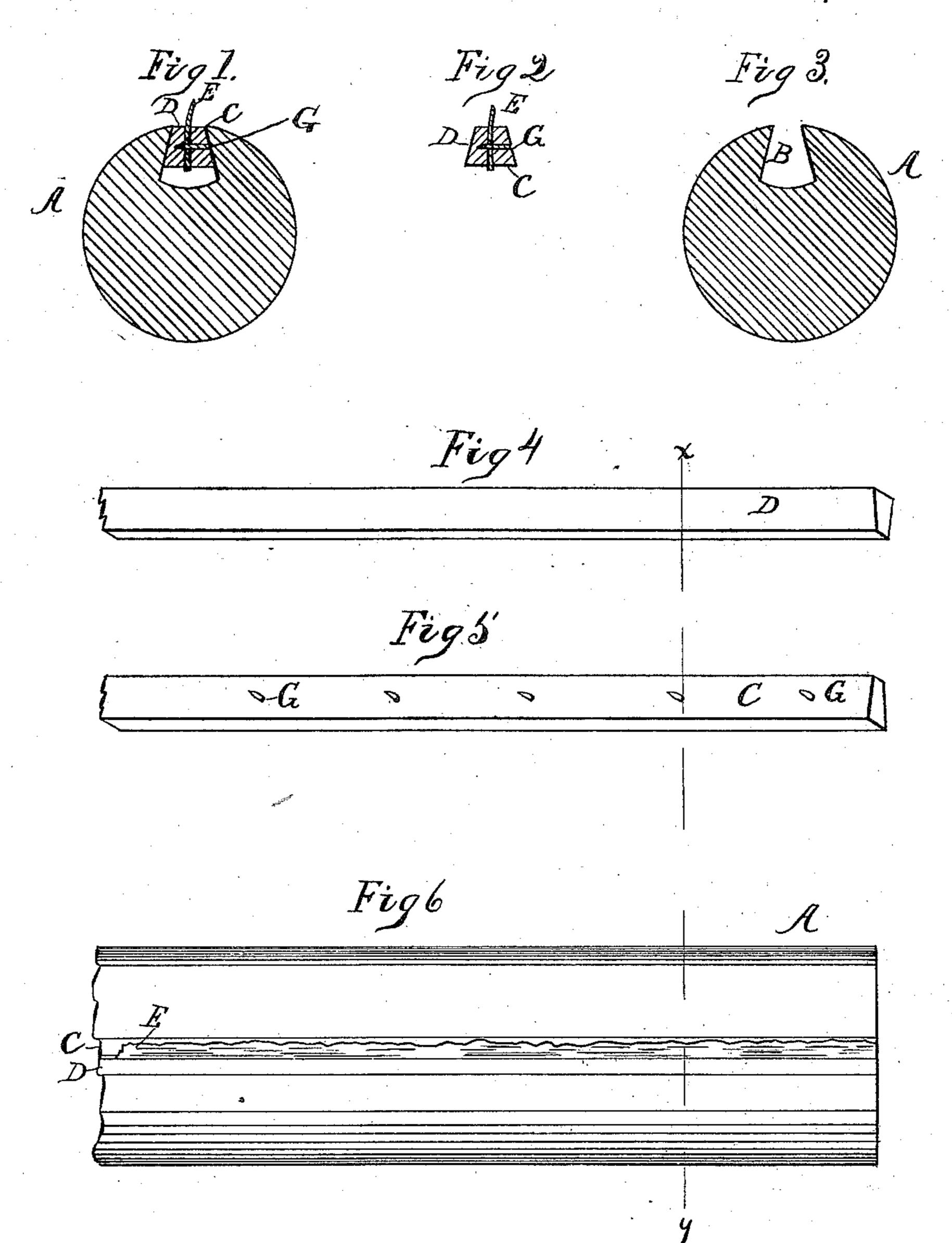
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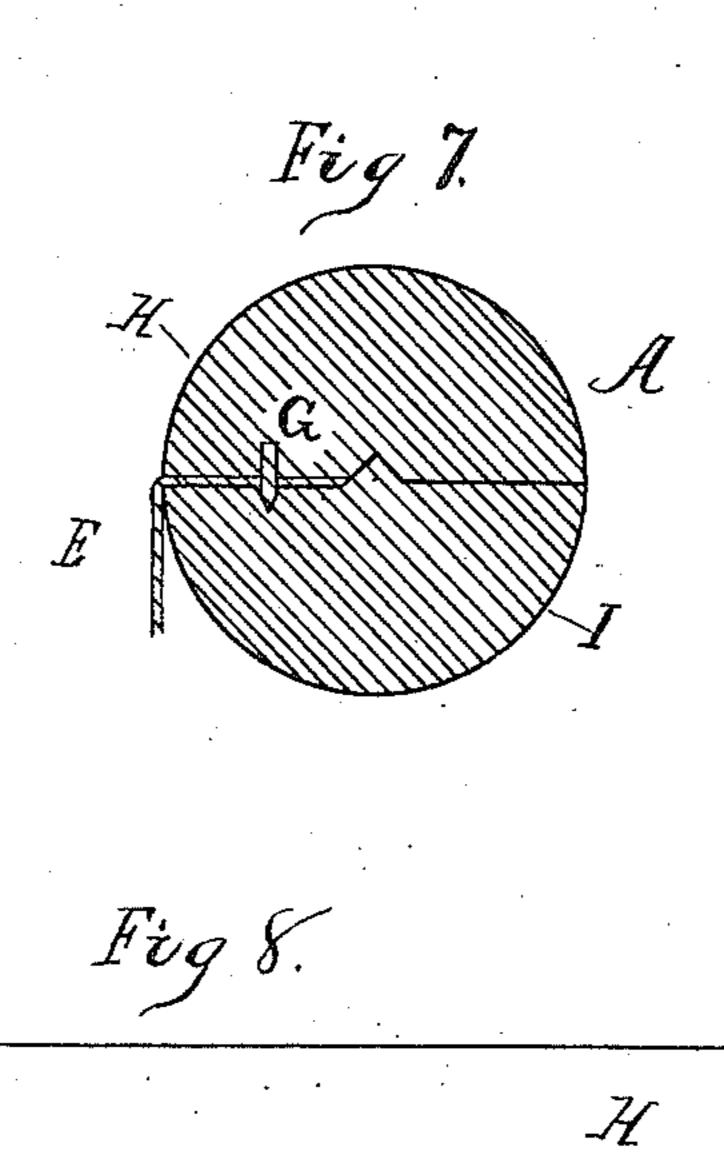
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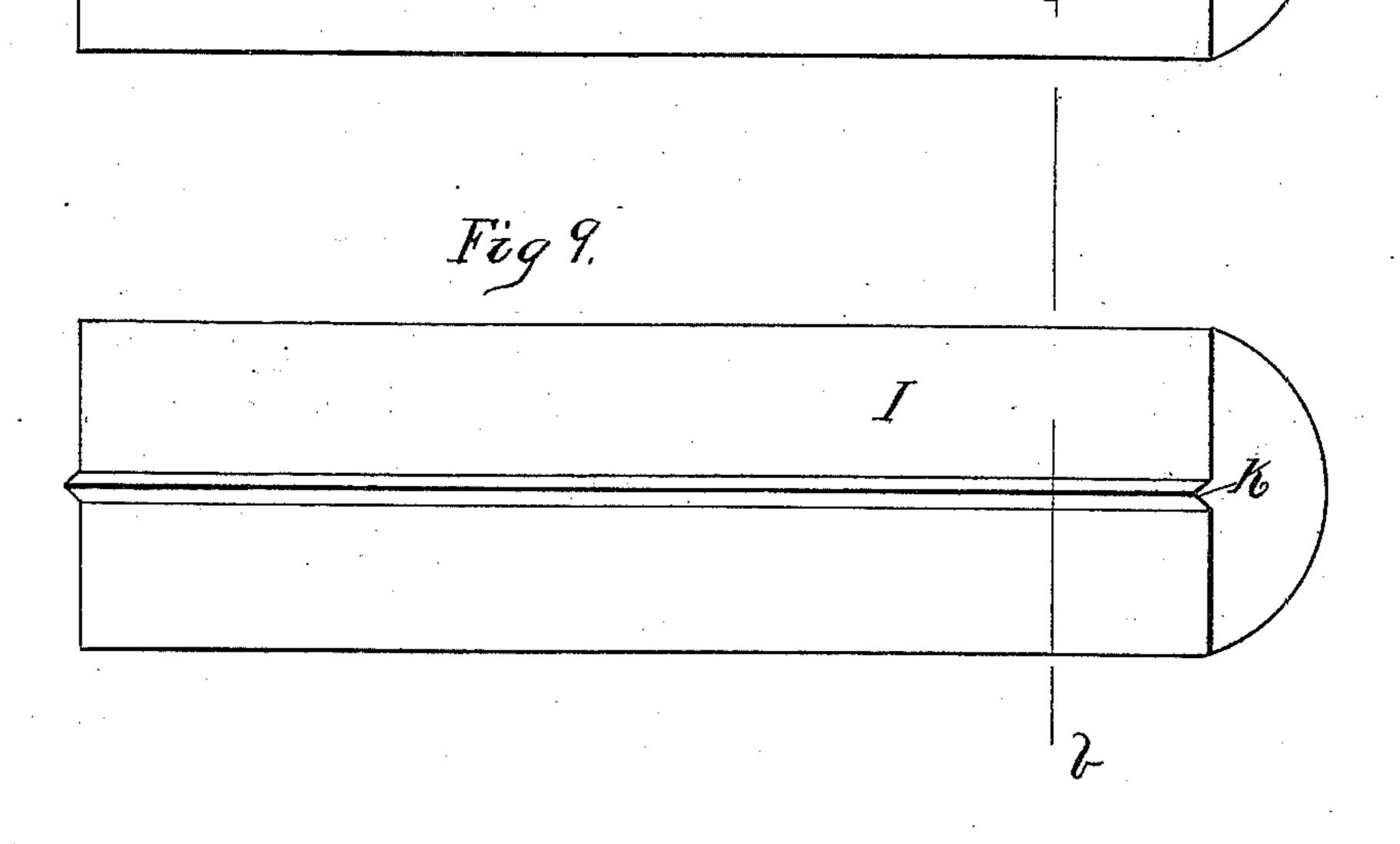
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY LOBDELL, of the city of Troy, in the county of Rensselaer and State of New York, have invented certain new 5 and useful Improvements in Curtain-Rollers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, that will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the ic same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Similar letters refer to similar parts in the

15 several figures therein.

My invention relates to improvements in curtain-rollers and the methods of securing curtains thereto; and it consists in providing the roller with inverted stationary tacks adapted 20 to pierce and hold the curtain in place.

The object of my invention is to provide a curtain-roller upon which a curtain may be quickly and securely adjusted and readjusted.

Figure 1, Sheet 1, of the drawings is a cross-25 section of the roller and a portion of the attached curtain, taken at the broken line xy. Fig. 2, Sheet 1, is a cross-section of a portion of the curtain and slats removed from the roller. Fig. 3, Sheet 1, is a cross-section of the roller 30 as it appears without the parts shown in Fig. 2. Fig. 4, Sheet 1, is a perspective of one of the two slats between which the curtain is secured. Fig. 5, Sheet 1, is a perspective of the other slat, showing the retaining-tacks. Fig. 35 6, Sheet 1, is a plan view of a portion of the roller and curtain in place. Fig. 7, Sheet 2, is a cross-section taken at broken line a b, showing a modified form of my improvement. Fig. 8, Sheet 2, is a perspective view of one 40 of the two parts of a sectional roller with retaining-tacks. Fig. 9, Sheet 2, is a perspective view, showing the other part.

A represents the roller, and E the curtain. The roller is provided with the groove B, which 45 extends the whole length of the roller and has its opposite sides, or one of them, inclined inward, so that the mouth of the groove or opening is narrower than the end or side of the groove nearest the center of the roller.

C is a beveled slat provided with the inverted stationary tacks G, the points of which project from one side of the slat. The tacks are arranged at suitable intervals in a straight line lengthwise of the slat, which is preferably

of the same length as the roller.

The method of attaching the curtain is as follows: First, lay the curtain down upon one of its sides, then place the slat C upon the end to be attached to the roller, with the points of the tacks downward and in such a position 60 that the slat or line of tacks will extend across the curtain in a line at right angles to the longitudinal line of direction of the curtain. Then press the tacks into or through the curtain, after which the slat, and with it the cur- 65 tain, is rolled over and the other slat laid upon it and pressed down upon the tacks until both slats are in close contact, with the curtain occupying the relative positions shown in Fig. 2. The slats are then slid into the groove B, 70 where they are firmly held by the beveled shape of the parts, as before described, and shown in Fig. 1.

A modified form of roller is shown in Figs. 7, 8, and 9. The roller A is made of two sec- 75 tions, H and I. One of the sections is provided with the inverted tacks G, arranged in a straight line, as shown. The method of attaching the curtain is precisely the same as the one just described for attaching the curtain to 80 the slats C and D. One of the slats may be provided with the projecting rib K and the other with the corresponding recess, J, the one fitting into the other to facilitate the proper union of the sections. After the sections have 85 been put together with the curtain between, as shown in Fig. 7, they may be fastened together in the ordinary manner, or with screws, rings, or caps.

By my improved method of ranging inverted 90 tacks in a straight line longitudinally of the roller and permanently fixing them thereto it is comparatively easy to properly adjust and fix a curtain upon its roller. If the curtain is not properly adjusted to hang vertically it will 95 roll up to one side, which necessitates a readjustment of the curtain upon the roller. With my improved construction and arrangement of tacks this is easily done without removing or injuring any of the tacks, and the tacks are foc in no danger of being lost when the curtain is

removed for the purpose of washing.

I employ the term "sectional roller" to include all rollers not made of one solid cylinder.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is—

1. A curtain-roller provided with a row of fixed projecting points or tacks extending longitudinally of said roller, substantially as described, and for the purposes set forth.

2. A sectional curtain-roller, one of the sec-10 tions or parts of which is provided with a row

of fixed projecting points or tacks extending longitudinally of said roller, substantially as described, and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set

my hand this 9th day of August, 1883.

HENRY LOBDELL.

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