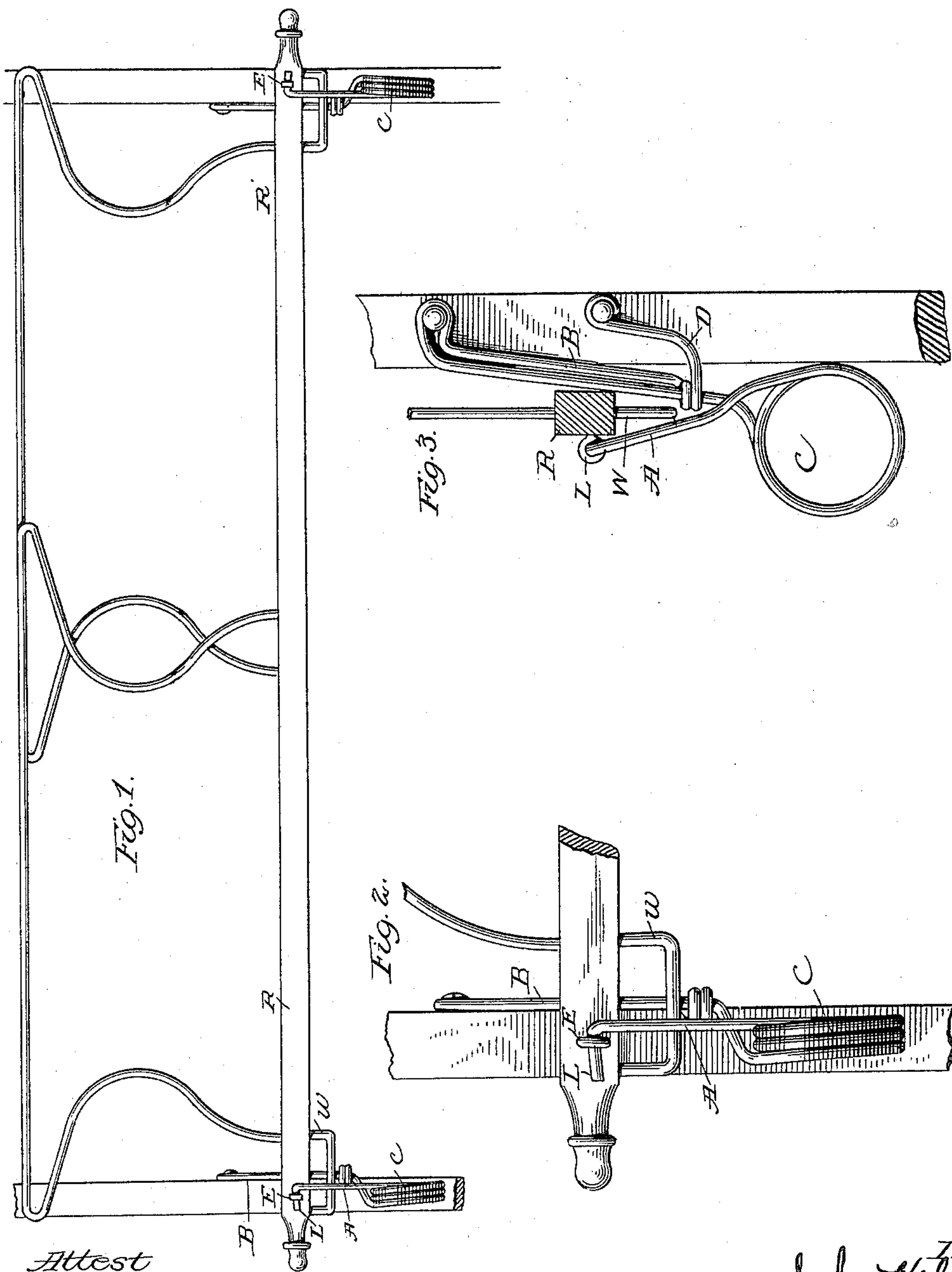


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH J. KELSEY, of Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have made a certain new and useful Improvement in Supporting Brackets for Pillow-Sham Holders; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view of a portion of my device. Fig. 3 is a side view.

In the figures, the letters R R' represent the turning rod of a pillow-sham holder.

E represents an eye or staple attached thereto, and W a pressure staple or lug projecting from said rod, and adapted to bear against one of the fixed arms B of the bracket when the turning rod is rotated.

B and D represent fixed arms or supports adapted to be attached to the head-board of a bedstead, or any place where it is desired to affix a pillow-sham holder.

A represents a third arm, adapted to be attached to the turning rod R by having its end L bent at right angles to the main body of the arm and having said end L pass through the eye E, attached to said turning rod, or in any equivalent manner.

The bracket is intended to be attached to the head-board of a bedstead in such a manner that the arms A, B, and D will be in planes at right angles therewith, and the arm A, under the tension of the coiled spring C, may be moved in its plane parallel with the plane passing through B and D. The portion L of the arm A is bent at a right angle or nearly a right angle, and may be parallel with the head-board; but I prefer to give it a slight inclination from such parallelism, as thereby any tendency of the turning rod to become detached therefrom is prevented, and the turning rod held by a bracket at either end is kept parallel with the head of the bedstead while it is rotated around the portion L of the arm A.

I manufacture the said supporting spring-bracket of a single piece of wire bent in the form shown in the drawings. The arm A,

as has been stated, near its extremity is bent at a right angle to its general course, and adapted to engage in the eye E upon the turning rod of the sham-holder. After extending the arm A to a proper length, the wire is coiled in two or three turns, and the looped arm B is formed by bending the wire out from said coil a proper distance, forming a loop, and returning the wire alongside of itself to a point near the coiled spring, where the returning wire is wound once or twice (sufficiently to make it firm) around the outgoing branch, and the end is again bent back in a plane with the arm B, and diverging from it in a Y-shape, and a loop or eye is formed at the end. I so form the coil C that when the arm A is in position for actual use the spring is under considerable tension, and the turning rod R is held by the tension of the spring firmly against the arm B, either when the sham-holder is turned upward and the turning rod is in the position shown at R, or when the holder is turned downward and the rod is in the position shown at R', while it can readily be turned from one position to another with a single hand, there being no catch or clasp to loosen before the rod may be turned. The relative length of the arms B and D is such and the divergence between them is such that the points on the arm B against which the turning rod presses are only a short distance from the head-board, and the opening between the turning rod and the head-board is very narrow and can be entirely covered by the projecting upper edge of an ordinary pillow-sham, thus enabling the frame-work of the holder to be entirely concealed from view, and showing the pillow-sham apparently resting directly against the head-board.

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

1. Supporting-brackets having arms B and D, provided with openings to receive the means for attaching them to a bedstead, in combination with spring-arms A, attached to said brackets, and the pillow-sham support having the angular bar R, said bar being piv-

oted to said spring-arms, as and for the purpose set forth.

2. Supporting-brackets having arms B and D, provided with openings to receive the
5 means for attaching them to a bedstead, in combination with spring-arms A, attached to said brackets, and the pillow-sham support

having a bar, R, with projections *u*, said bar being pivoted to said arms A, as and for the purpose set forth.

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