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CURTAIN POLE AND BANNER ROD.

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Fig. 1.

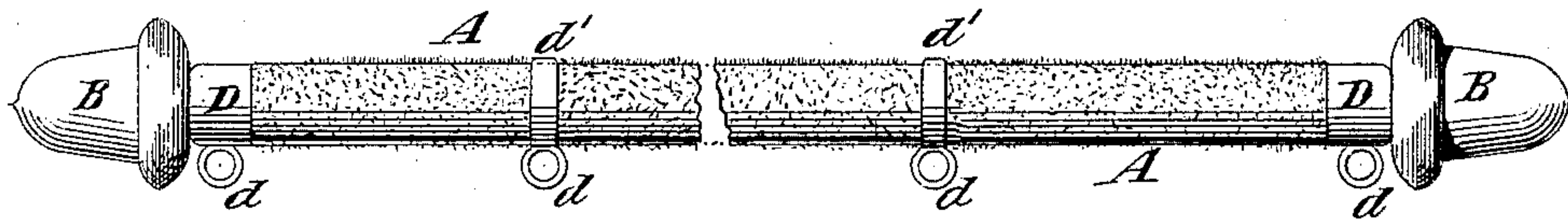


Fig. 2.

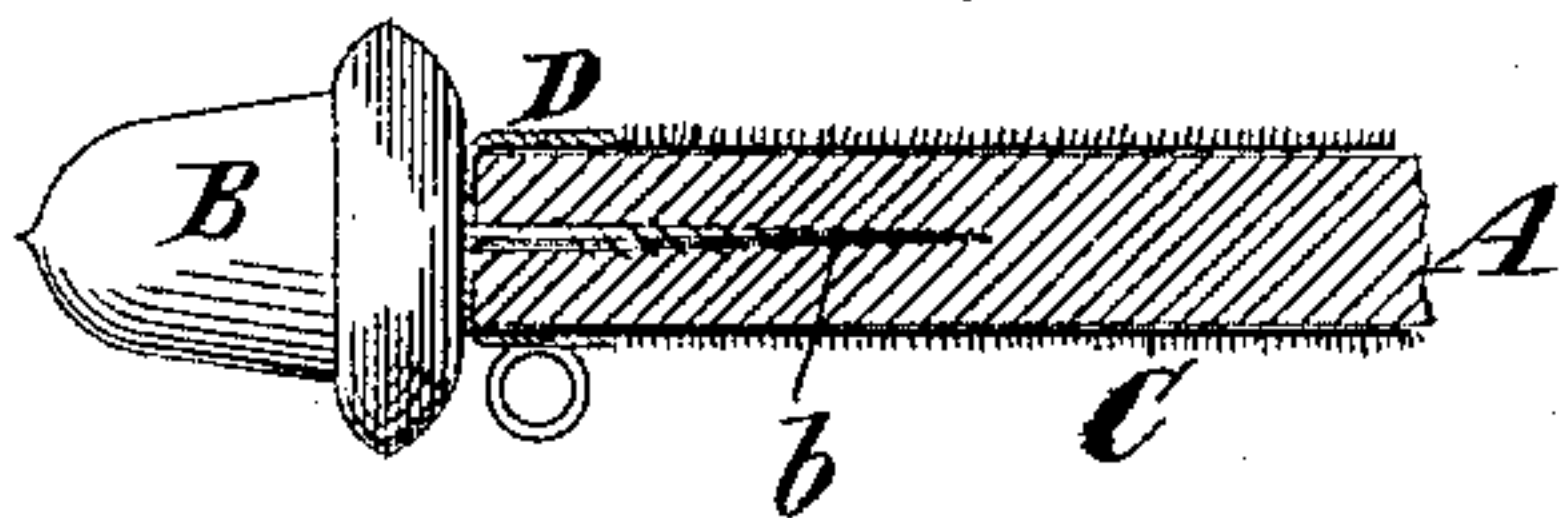


Fig. 3.

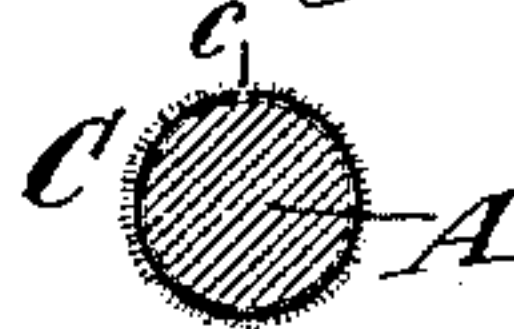
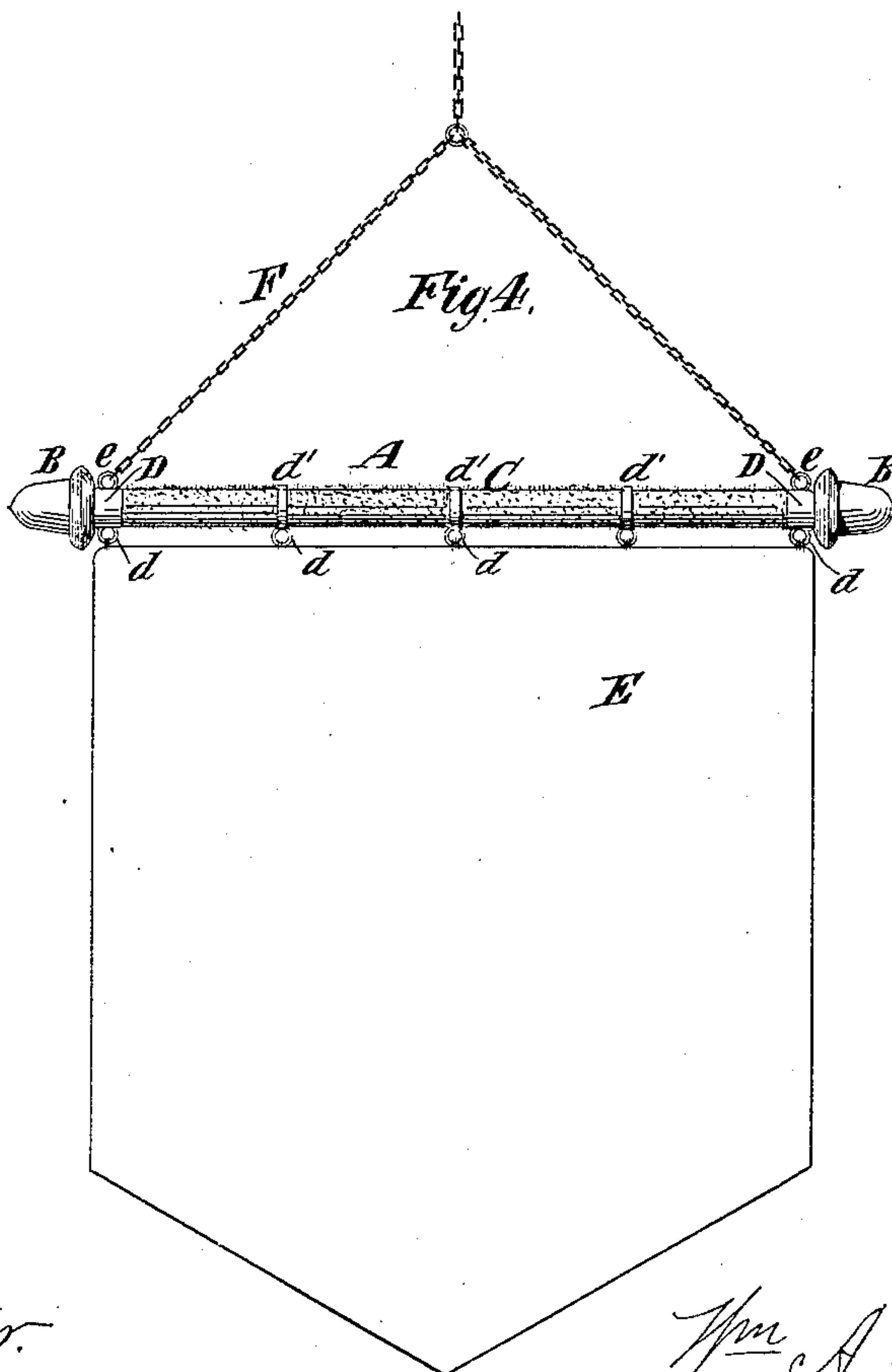


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. STEVENSON, of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented
5 a new and useful Improvement in Curtain-Poles and Banner-Rods, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates both to ornamental curtain poles and to smaller rods, such as those
10 which are now largely used for hanging banners and bannerettes employed as wall-ornaments.

The object of my invention is to produce a very ornamental and tasteful pole or rod, and
15 in which the pole or rod, of wood, has a covering of plush or other fabric.

My invention consists in novel features of construction in the various parts comprised in a pole or rod, and in the novel combinations
20 which they form with each other, as herein-after described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a curtain-pole embodying my invention, a portion of the length thereof being
25 broken away to reduce the size of the drawings. Fig. 2 is an axial section through one end portion of the pole. Fig. 3 is a transverse section showing a covering of plush or other fabric applied to the wooden pole, and
30 Fig. 4 represents a banner-rod embodying my invention and a banner attached thereto.

Similar letters of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures.

The pole or rod A consists simply of a rod
35 or bar of wood of round or other transverse section, and having applied to its ends terminal ornaments B, which may be of metal and of any desired form or configuration. These terminal ornaments may be provided with
40 screws *b*, inserted in the ends of the rod or pole, as shown in Fig. 2; or they may be secured thereto in any other well-known or suitable manner. The pole or rod A is surrounded by
45 a covering, C, of plush or other fabric, which is preferably glued to the wood surface of the pole or rod. This covering C is cut into strips of such width that when wrapped around the pole or rod its edges will meet or very nearly
50 abut together, as shown at *c*, in Fig. 3, and the fabric may be firmly glued to the surface of the pole or rod.

In order to form a neat finish at the ends of

the pole or rod and at the points where the fabric C terminates, I may employ metal caps or ferrules D, which are applied between the
55 terminal ornaments B and the ends of the pole or rod A, as shown in Fig. 2, and which are of such diameter that they loosely lap over the end portion of the covered pole or rod, and thereby conceal the end of the fabric covering.
60 The caps or ferrules D are provided with central holes in their ends, receiving loosely through them the screws *b*, whereby the tips or terminal ornaments B are secured in place.

To provide for the attachment of a curtain
65 or a banner, E, shown in Fig. 4, I employ eyes *d*, to which the curtain or banner may be attached by sewing. I have shown the caps or ferrules D as each provided with an eye, *d*, and the other and intermediate eyes rigidly
70 project from bands *d'*, which loosely surround the covered pole or rod A, and which are adjustable freely thereon lengthwise, in order to bring them to desired positions. The fabric covering C is continuous under these bands or
75 rings *d'*, and the latter are of such diameter that they will not crease into or impair the plush covering C.

When the pole or rod A is designed to support a banner, E, as shown in Fig. 4, the caps
80 or ferrules D may be provided with other eyes, *e*, to which a chain or cord, F, may be attached for suspending the banner from a nail or other support.

It is advantageous to employ for covering a
85 rod or pole a piece of plush of a width to just wrap around the rod or pole and meet at the edges, because then a truly cylindric exterior is secured without any longitudinal ridge or projection, as would be produced by lapping
90 the meeting edges of a covering, and the pile of the plush will cover the joint. It is also advantageous to have the ferrules or caps D loosely secured between the terminals B and the ends of the rod or pole, because then the rod
95 or pole can be readily turned in said ferrules or caps, and after the top or one side of the rod or pole becomes worn the under side or opposite side can be brought uppermost or outermost, and will present a fresh appearance. It is also advantageous to have the ferrules or caps D provided with the eyes *d*, as well as the eyes *e*, for a cord or chain, F, because the banner, being attached at the edges
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to the eyes *d* on the caps or ferrules is held extended, as it would not so well be if suspended entirely from rings *d'*, sliding on the rod.

5 What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination, with a curtain-pole or banner-rod, A, and a covering, C, of fabric applied thereto, of caps D, fitting loosely over
10 the ends of the covered pole or rod and provided with eyes *d*, for the attachment of a curtain or banner, whereby the curtain or banner will be held extended, and rings *b'*, loosely surrounding the pole or rod between the caps,
15 and also provided with eyes *d*, for the attachment of the curtain or banner, substantially as herein described.

2. The combination, with a curtain-pole or

banner-rod provided at the ends with terminal ornaments B, of a covering of fabric, C, 20 surrounding the pole or rod, the caps D, loosely held in place between the ends of the pole or rod and the ornaments, so that the pole or rod may be turned within them, and
lapping over the end portions of the fabric 25 and eyes *e d* at opposite sides of the caps, the former serving for the attachment of the suspension device and the latter for the attachment of the opposite corners of a curtain or
banner, whereby the curtain or banner will 30 be held extended, substantially as herein described.

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