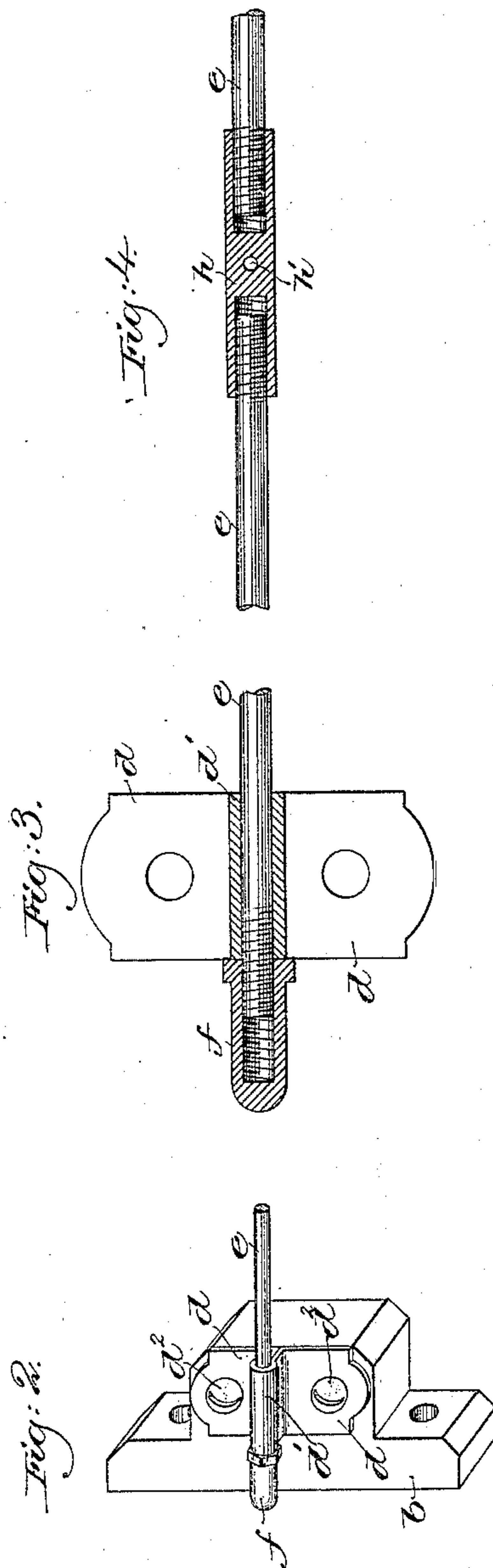
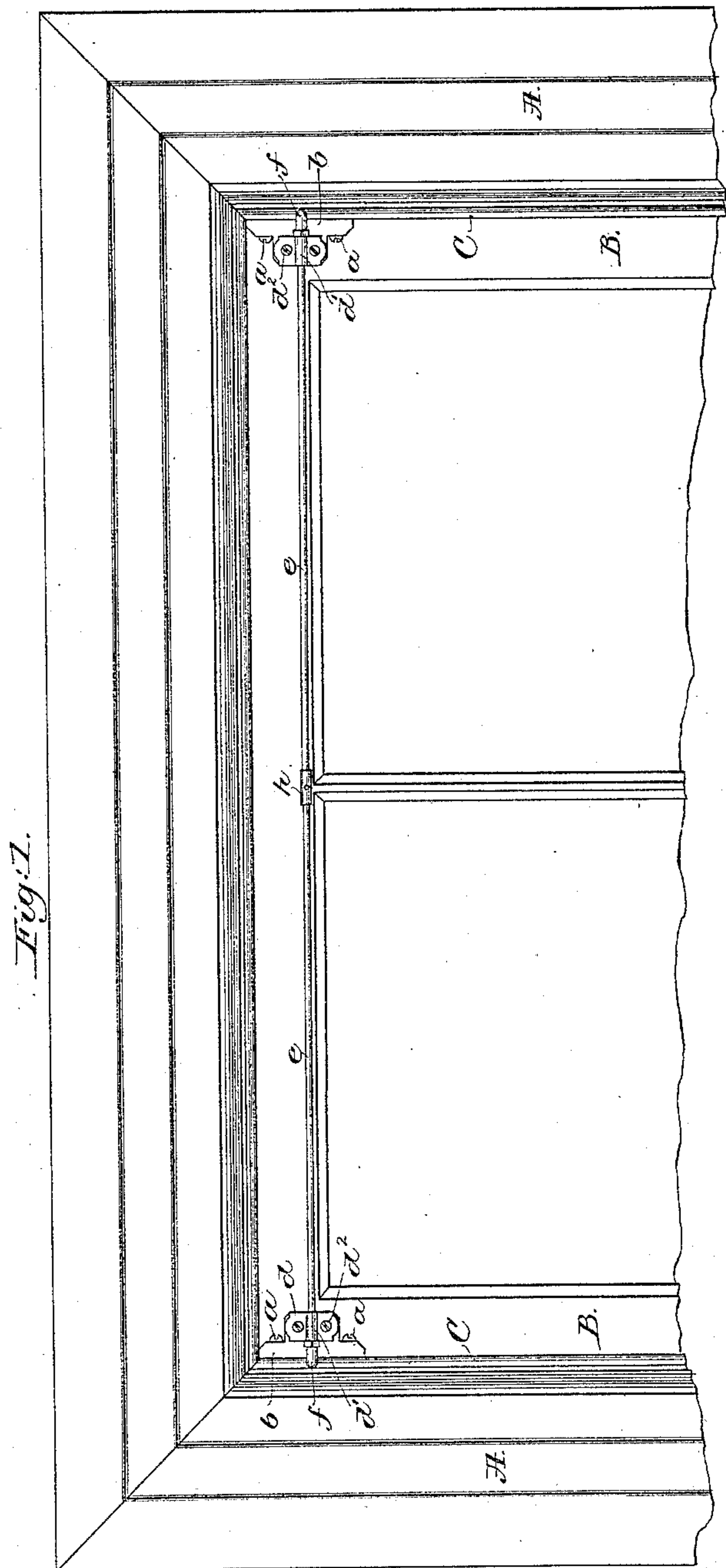


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS TRIBE, of Colorado Springs, county of El Paso, State of Colorado, have invented an Improvement in
5 Curtain-Holders, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention has for its object to improve
10 and simplify that class of curtain-holder shown in United States Patent No. 405,333, dated June 18, 1889.

One part of my present invention has to provide means whereby the rods or wires may
15 readily be adapted to windows of different width and afford a support for two curtains which are to be divided or looped aside in opposite directions. I have applied the straining-nuts to the wires wholly outside the
20 brackets, thus enabling the eye in the bracket to be made smaller in diameter, the bracket fitting the rod and holding the same more steadily. I have also provided means for supporting the brackets whereby a curtain
25 may be supported between the sides of the window-casing rather than at its outside, as in the said patent.

Figure 1 shows part of a window-frame and sash with my improved curtain-holder in position. Fig. 2, enlarged, shows the bracket
30 and its supporting-block; Fig. 3, a sectional detail of the bracket and nut with a part of one end of the rod, and Fig. 4 is a sectional detail of the coupling.

35 The window-casing A, the sash B, and the bead C, to aid in keeping the sash in place, are and may be of usual construction.

The bead C has secured to it by suitable screws *a* the supporting block or base *b*, preferably of wood, but which may be made of
40 any other usual or suitable material. The block or base receives upon one side of it the ears or feet *d* of the bracket, having a tubular portion *d'* to receive and fit the end of
45 the suspending rod or wire *e*, preferably a

small light-weight brass or other wire. The bracket referred to is secured by set-screws *d²* to the base *b*. The end of each rod *e* is threaded, so that when inserted through the bracket it may receive upon it the cap-nut *f*,
50 one end of which abuts against the bracket, as best shown in Fig. 3, rotation of a nut at either end of the wire enabling it to be strained so as to keep the light-weight wires taut and prevent them sagging under the weight of
55 the curtain.

To furnish a wide window with a curtain-holder, I take two of the usual rods *e*, put them together, and unite their contiguous ends by a socket-piece *h*, (shown best in Fig. 4,) it
60 preferably having a hole *h'* or equivalent for the reception of a cord or thread by which to aid in holding the curtains in place centrally and keep them from sliding on the said rod.

I claim—

1. The two rods having screw-threaded ends, the intermediate coupling to receive their inner ends, and the brackets having tubular
65 portions to receive the outer ends of said rods, combined with nuts abutting against the outer side of the tubular portions by which to strain the said rods, substantially as described.

2. The two rods having screw-threaded ends, the intermediate coupling to receive their inner ends and provided with the hole *h*, and the brackets having tubular portions *d* to receive the outer ends of said rods, combined
75 with nuts abutting against the outer side of the tubular portions by which to strain the
80 said rods in opposite directions, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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