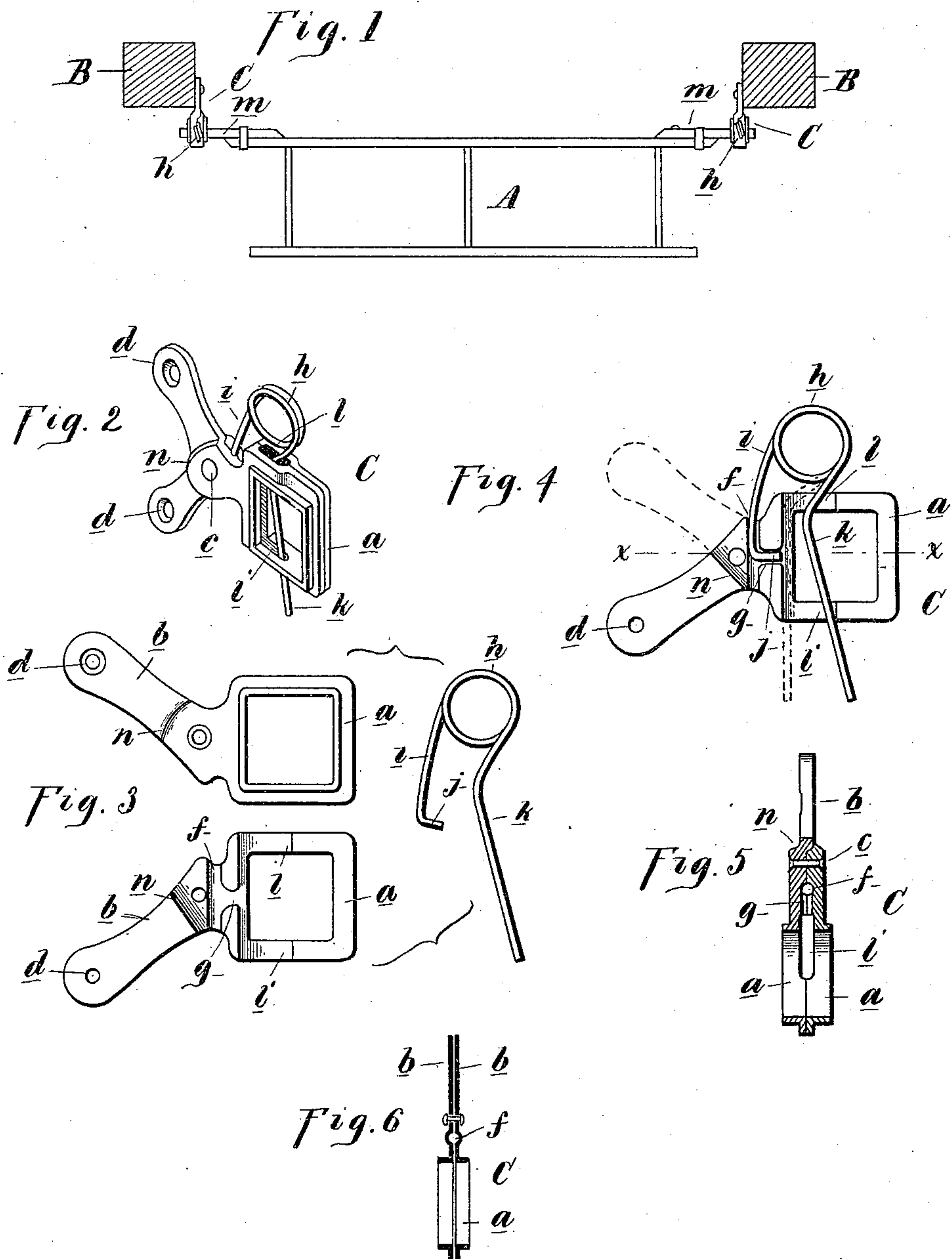


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## PILLOW-SHAM HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM L. PEEVERS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pillow-Sham Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in pillow-sham holders; and the invention consists in the peculiar construction of the supporting-bracket, whereby the necessity of making right and left brackets is obviated and whereby the cost of manufacture is greatly reduced and the construction and operation of the device are simplified, all as more fully hereinafter described.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a diagram plan of a pillow-sham holder with my improved brackets. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the bracket detached. Fig. 3 is an elevation of the parts of the bracket detached. Fig. 4 is an elevation of one half of the bracket, showing the spring in position, the other half being removed. Fig. 5 is a cross-section through a complete bracket on line *x x* in Fig. 4. Fig. 6 is a similar section of a modification specifically referred to.

A is the pillow-sham frame or holder proper.

B are the posts of the bed, to which my improved brackets C are attached. These brackets are alike in construction for each side, and the description of one will suffice for a description of both. Each bracket consists of two like parts, consisting of a rectangular socket *a*, having upon one side the extension *b*; the two parts being secured together by means of a rivet *c*, passing through suitable apertures in the extensions *b* at the point of intersection thereof, said extensions being formed upon the socket at an acute angle, whereby they form bearings at two points upon the post a suitable distance apart to brace the bracket and prevent its being displaced. At their upper ends they are provided with suitable apertures *d*, by means of which they may be secured by screws or nails to the bed-post. At the point of intersection *b* the bracket is provided with a vertical aperture *f*, which has an offset *g*.

*h* is the spring, which has a vertical leg *i*

engaging in the aperture *f* and the hook *j* engaging in the offset *g*, the spring being securely clamped in position when the parts are secured together by the rivet. The spring is also provided with the downwardly-extended arm *k*, which passes through corresponding guide-slots *l l'*, formed centrally between the two halves of the bracket. This spring bears against the arms *m* of the pillow-sham frame and holds it in its adjusted position up or down in the well-known manner. The extensions *b* are provided with offsets *n*, bringing the securing portion of these extensions directly opposite the middle of the body of the bracket. By having the securing portion of the arms or extensions opposite the middle of the bracket it is evident that the bracket may be secured to either of the two posts without the necessity of arranging for right or left, as has heretofore been necessary.

In making my bracket I preferable make it in two like halves securely connected in the manner described, with the spring clamped between and guided in slots in the upper and lower parts of the socket; but it is evident that, if desired, the bracket may be cast in one piece and the apertures cored out, or it may be hammered from sheet metal. By this construction I am enabled to manufacture my bracket without any machine-work or fitting, simply casting or hammering out the parts and clamping the spring between by means of a rivet.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. In a pillow-sham holder, brackets formed of two pieces, securing-arms integral therewith, and a spring clamped between the arms, its free end guided in apertures at the top and bottom of the bracket, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with the pillow-sham holder, of a bracket formed of two pieces, securing-arms integral therewith extending in line with the meeting faces of the two pieces, and a spring having one end clamped between the pieces and its other end guided in apertures at the top and bottom of the bracket, substantially as described.

3. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination of two like halves consisting of the socketed body *a*, having apertures *f* and *l* therein, the inclined extensions *b*, having the offset *n*

formed in each, and a spring *h*, secured in the aperture *f*, having its vertical free end guided in the aperture *l*, substantially as described.

4. In a pillow-sham holder, a bracket consisting of two like halves having apertures *f* and *l* formed between said halves, being secured together and forming a socketed head *a*, the inclined extensions *b*, the rivet *c* for securing them together, the spring *h*, having the vertical portions *i* *k* engaging in said aper-

tures, the offset *n* in the extensions, and the aperture *d*, the parts being arranged to operate substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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