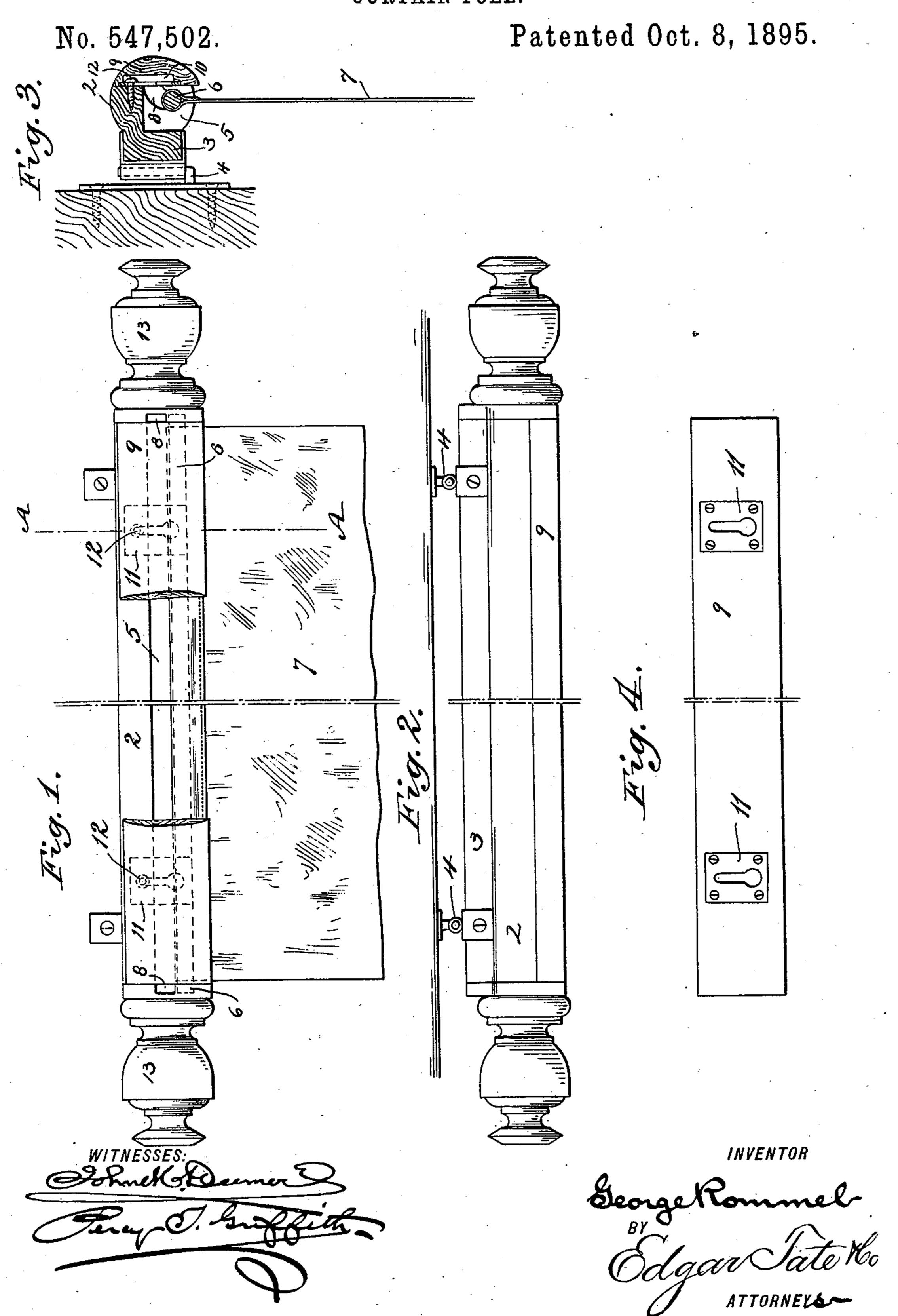
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CURTAIN-POLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, GEORGE ROMMEL, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, county of New York, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Poles, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof, in which similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved holder or support for door-shades, portières, or similar articles, which is simple in construction and operation, as well as or-

namental when in use.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a front elevation with a shade or portière attached 20 part of the holder being broken away; Fig. 2, an upper plan view of the holder attached to the door-frame or other support; Fig. 3, a section on the line A A of Fig. 1, and Fig 4 a back view of the removable front of the holder.

back view of the removable front of the holder. Referring to the drawings, the numeral 2 designates the main part or body of the holder, which is partially cylindrical in crosssection and provided with a longitudinal extension 3, by means of which it is secured to 30 the wall, door-frame, or other support, as indicated at 4, Figs. 2 and 3. The front and lower sides of the holder are cut away along its entire length, so as to form a longitudinal chamber 5 of the form, in cross-section, shown 35 in Fig. Within this chamber is a rod 6, (shown in cross-section in Fig. 3 and in dotted lines in Fig. 1,) to which the shade or portière 7 is connected. This rod is a little longer than the chamber 5, and is placed in position and 40 held there by means of curved grooves 8, one of which is shown in Fig. 3, formed in the holder at each end of the chamber 5, the open ends of said grooves being directed upward and outward to admit of the rod 6. The front 45 part of the holder consists of a removable plate 9, flat on its inner surface or that part which covers the chamber 5 and rounded and polished on its outer or exposed surface. This plate is held in position by the following 50 means: A series of chambers or recesses 10 (see Fig. 3) are formed on the inner surface

thereof, and these are covered by plates 11, I

provided with transverse or vertical openings, enlarged at one end, as shown in Fig. 4 and in dotted lines in Fig. 1. In the outer surface of 55 the body of the holder are a series of screws 12, (shown in Fig. 3,) and the heads of which are shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1. The heads of these screws project a short distance from the holder, a distance about equal to the 6c thickness of the plate 11, behind which there is space for their reception, as shown in Fig. 3. The rod 6 with its attached shade having been placed in position, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 3, the plate or cover 9 is held so that 65 the heads of the screws 12 will enter the enlarged portion of the opening in the plate 11, when, by pressing downward on the cover, it will assume the position shown in Figs. 1 and 3, being firmly held in place by the action of 70 the screw-heads on the inner side of the plate 11, forming a safe and convenient locking device for the purpose.

If it is desired to raise or roll up the shade or portière the plate or cover 9 is removed by 75 pressing upward, the action being the reverse of that required to put the cover in position, when the rod 6 may be removed and the shade rolled thereon or unrolled therefrom, as may be desired, after which the cover may 8c

be replaced in the manner described.

It will be observed that the chamber 5 is open on the under side throughout its entire length and that the only portion of the holder visible when in position is the rounded outer 85 surface of the cover 9 and the ornamented ends 13, and the cover itself may be ornamented, if desired.

In addition to rolling the shade or other article on the rod 6, as hereinbefore described, 90 it may be gathered thereon or slid from one side to the other, and it is evident that a series or more than one may be hung on the

same rod.

Having fully described my invention, I 95 claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent,

the following:

1. A holder for shades, portières, or other articles, having a longitudinal chamber open at its lower side, a support for the shade or other article located thereon, and a removable cover, as 9, said cover being held in position and made removable by means of slotted plates, as 11, secured to the inner surface thereof,

and screws or other headed devices, as 12, in the body of the holder, substantially as shown and described.

2. A holder for shades, portières, or other ar-5 ticles, adapted to be secured to a door or wall in the usual manner, and provided with a longitudinal chamber throughout its length, said chamber being open on its front and lower side, curved grooves or passages, as 8, located 10 at the ends of said chamber, in the walls thereof, a removable rod or support for the shade, adapted to be placed in said chamber

and removed therefrom by means of said grooves, and a removable cover for the front of said chamber, substantially as shown and 15 described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two witnesses, this 12th day of February, 1895.

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