

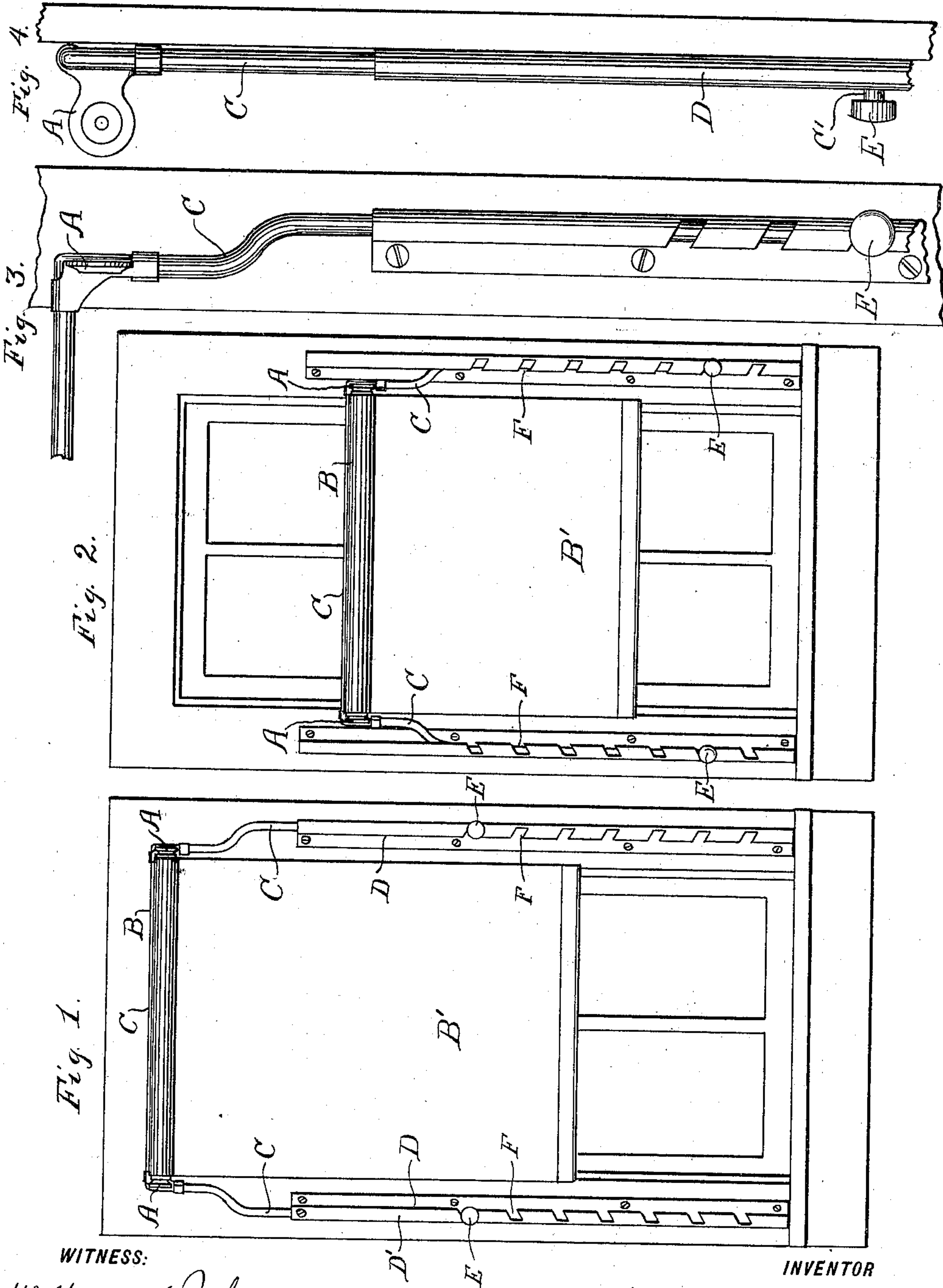
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM G. TEMPLETON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Colorado Springs, in the county of El Paso and State of Colorado, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Adjustable Window-Shade Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to adjustable supports for window-shades whereby the shade-roller instead of being held in stationary brackets secured directly to the window-frame is held in such a manner that it can be readily raised or lowered, thus allowing the shade to be easily arranged to admit light and air either from the top or bottom of the window or both.

The objects of my improvement are to provide means for rigidly holding or supporting the brackets at the proper distance apart to receive the ends of the shade-roller and to provide slides, which may be secured to the window-casing, which are adapted to guide the supporting device as it is moved up and down and to hold it firmly at any desired point.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying sheet of drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a window with the shade-roller supported at the top of the window-frame. Fig. 2 is a similar view with the shade lowered from the top; and Figs. 3 and 4 are front and side views, respectively, showing on a larger scale one side of the device with the slide and showing more clearly the preferred manner of securing the brackets to the supporting-rod.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

The brackets A, which may be adapted to hold any desired style of shade-roller B, are secured to a rod or wire C, at or near its angles, by clamping their bases around the rod, as clearly shown in Figs. 3 and 4. This supporting rod or wire C is preferably formed of one piece bent to substantially the shape shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The object of the

horizontal part is to hold the brackets securely at the proper distance apart to fit the shade-roller B, and the downwardly-projecting side arms are adapted to fit in vertical slides D, which may be made of a strip of sheet metal bent as shown in the drawings, or, if preferred, may be made of wood or other material. The outer portion D' of the slides D has notches F at suitable intervals, while the other part has holes for securing it to the window-casing by means of screws or nails. The lower ends of the side arms C are bent outwardly at right angles, as shown in Fig. 4 at C', and have knobs E on their ends for convenience in handling when raising or lowering the device. The slides D are open toward the inside, so that by grasping the knobs E the lower ends of the side arms C may be drawn together sufficiently for the projecting ends C' to be withdrawn from the notches F, when the entire device, together with the shade-roller B and shade B', may be readily raised or lowered. When the projecting ends C' come opposite any of the notches F, they will at once spring into them and then hold the device securely at such point. The horizontal part of the rod C is so bent that the side arms have a tendency to spring out beyond parallelism, so as to make them fit snugly in the slides D. The notches F are preferably inclined downward, as shown.

It is evident that the raising or lowering of the device and the shade-roller does not interfere in any way with the raising or lowering of the shade B' in the usual manner.

I do not wish to restrict my invention to the exact construction shown, as it is evident that modifications may be made in details without departing from the general principles—as, for instance, in the manner of securing the brackets A to the supporting-rod C. In the drawings they are shown as formed of sheet metal and have their bases so shaped that they may be clamped to the rod C, as clearly shown in Figs. 3 and 4. This may be changed by soldering or otherwise securing them; nor is it essential that the rod C be all in one piece, since the side arms and top hori-

zontal part may be of three pieces suitably secured to the brackets, and thus connected as a whole.

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

A shade-bracket-supporting frame consisting essentially of a horizontal connecting-rod and vertical side arms which have a tendency to spring apart beyond parallelism, and hav-

ing shade-roller brackets secured at the angles, in combination with vertical guides and means for securing the frame at any desired point in said guides.

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