

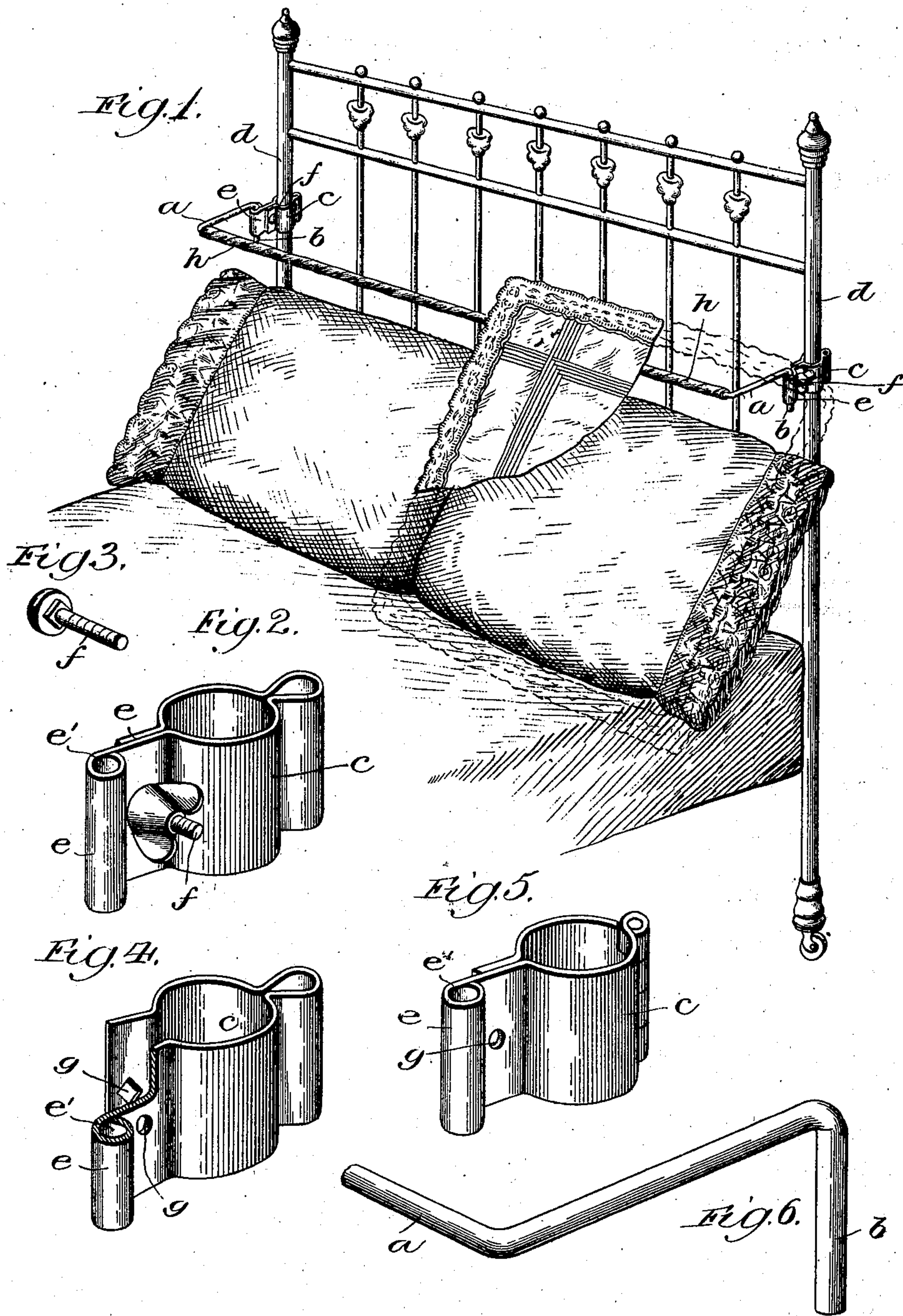
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARY A. YENNER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pillow-Sham Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates particularly to that class of holders which are adapted to be removably secured to bedsteads for the purpose of holding the pillow-shams in position, and has for its object the providing of a simple, economical, and efficient pillow-sham holder; and the invention consists in the features, combinations, and details of construction hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a holder constructed in accordance with my improvements, showing it as attached to a bedstead with a section of the pillow-sham attached to the holder and held thereby; Fig. 2, a perspective view of the clamping and socket portion, showing the clamp in its closed position; Fig. 3, a perspective view of the clamping-screw mechanism; Fig. 4, a perspective view of the clamping and socket portion, showing the clamp in its open position with a portion of the socket removed; Fig. 5, a perspective view of a modified form of the clamping and socket portion, and Fig. 6 a perspective view of one end of the supporting-bar.

In the art to which this invention relates it is well known that it is desirable to have the pillow-sham holder so constructed that it may be readily secured to the posts of a metal bed to permit the ready insertion and removal of the supporting-bar and shams, all of which will be more fully understood from an inspection of the drawings and the following description and claims.

In constructing a holder in accordance with my improvements I make a supporting-bar *a* of the desired size and shape, having a horizontal sham-supporting portion and two inwardly and downwardly projecting ends *b b*. This bar may be made in one integral portion, as shown in the drawings, and I prefer to make it in such manner on account of the simplicity, economy of manufacture, durability, and ease of manipulation.

To hold the bar in position, I provide two

clamps *c*, formed, preferably, of metallic bands adapted and arranged to encircle and grasp the bedposts *d*. These clamps, as shown, are formed so that each has projecting ends *e*, one of which is provided with a socket *e'*, into which the downwardly-projecting ends of the supporting-bar may be inserted and removably held in place to permit the easy removal of the bar without loosening or manipulating the clamp. Clamping-screws *f*, having thumb-nuts upon the threaded ends thereof, are provided and passed through the neck portion or projecting ends of the clamps at *g*, between the socket and post-clamping portion, so as to provide means by which the clamps are held on the bedposts. An inspection of the drawings will show that these clamps and sockets may be readily raised and lowered or turned on the posts in a suitable manner to obtain various adjustments, and thereby provide for varying conditions and structures, all of which will be thoroughly appreciated by those versed in the art.

It is desirable that means be provided whereby the shams may be readily fastened to the horizontal portion of the supporting-bar. To accomplish this, I wind upon such portion a web *h*, made preferably of cloth, to which the pillow-shams may be attached by means of pins, as shown in Fig. 1.

In use the clamps are first placed in position on the posts of the bedstead and adjusted to suit the length of bar and size of shams and then secured in such position. The ends of the supporting-bar are next inserted in the clamp-sockets, and such bar is then ready to receive the shams. To remove the shams, the supporting-bar is removed, which act also removes the shams, or, when desired, the shams may be fastened to the bar or removed therefrom while the bar is off the bed, thus facilitating the changing of the shams.

The principal advantages of a sham-holder constructed in accordance with my improvements are, first, it is simple, durable, and economical to manufacture; second, it can readily be adjusted to suit different sizes of bedstead; third, shams may be readily removed or fastened to the holder while it is off the bed; fourth, the shams and holder may be removed together from the bed and re-

placed when desired, thus preventing them from being wrinkled and disheveled, as when folded or turned up and left hanging at the head of the bed while in use; fifth, it provides a structure that is not unsightly when the shams are removed, as above described; and, sixth, it prevents sagging or drooping of the shams when in position.

I claim—

- 10 1. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination of two clamping portions each having projecting ends, a socket upon a projecting end of each clamping portion, clamping-screw mechanism for holding the clamping portions in position on a bed, and a removable supporting-bar provided with projections at an angle with the main body portion thereof mounted non-rotatably in the sockets, substantially as described.
- 20 2. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination of two circular metallic clamps each having projecting ends one of which for each clamp

is provided with a socket, clamping mechanism for holding such clamps in position on a bedstead, and a non-rotatable supporting-bar 25 having two downwardly-projecting portions removably mounted in the sockets, and provided with means for securing the pillow-sham thereto substantially as described.

3. In a pillow-sham holder, the combination 30 of two circular metallic clamps each having projecting ends one of which for each clamp is provided with a socket, clamping-screw mechanism for holding such clamps and sockets adjustably in position on the posts of the 35 bedstead, a one-piece web-covered removable supporting-bar having inwardly and downwardly projecting ends non-rotatably mounted in the sockets, substantially as described.

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