

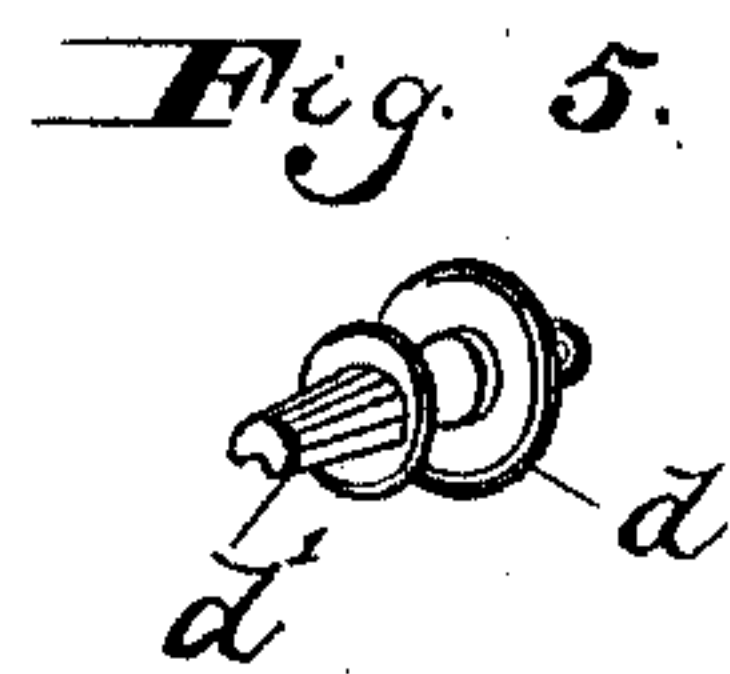
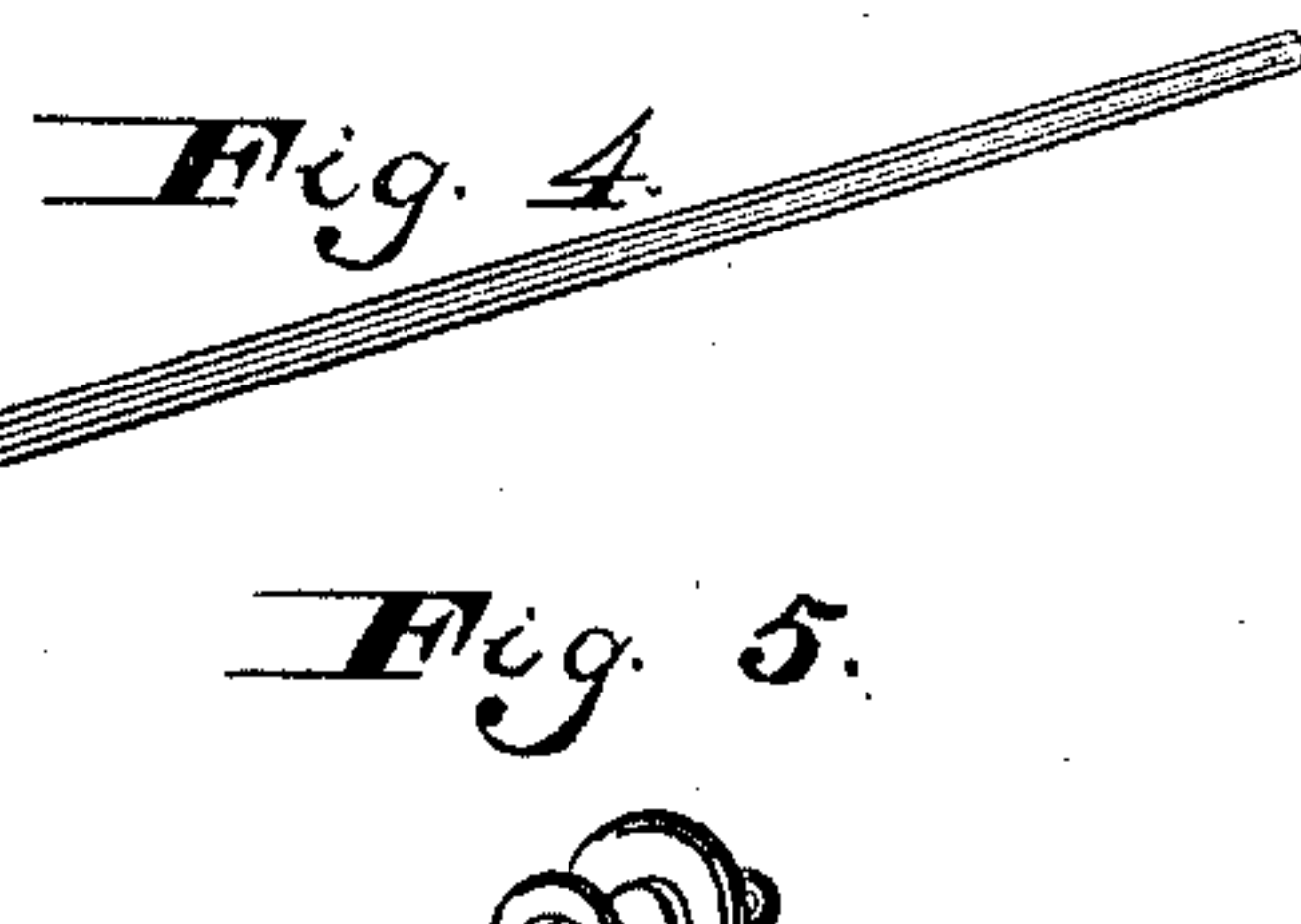
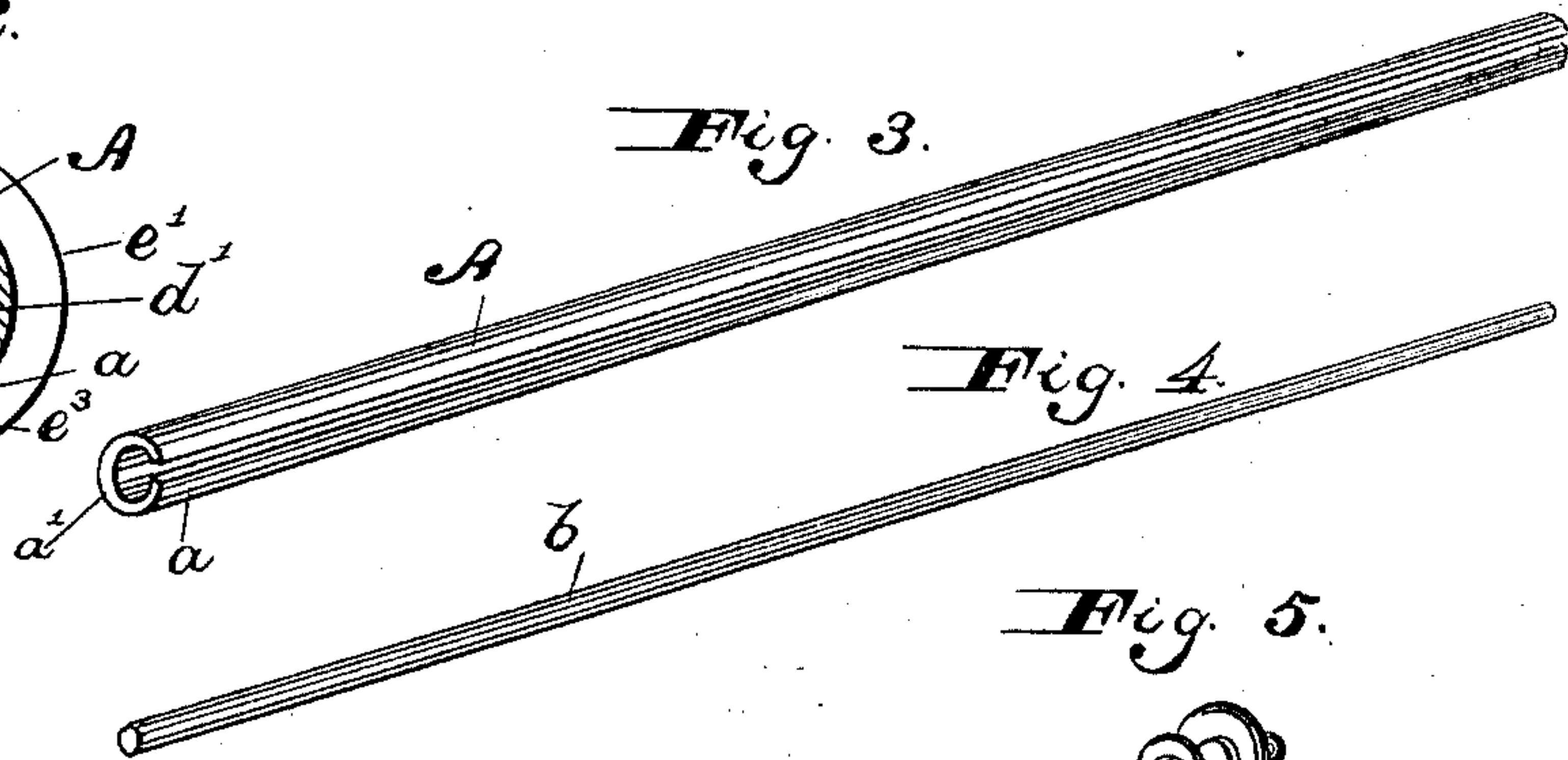
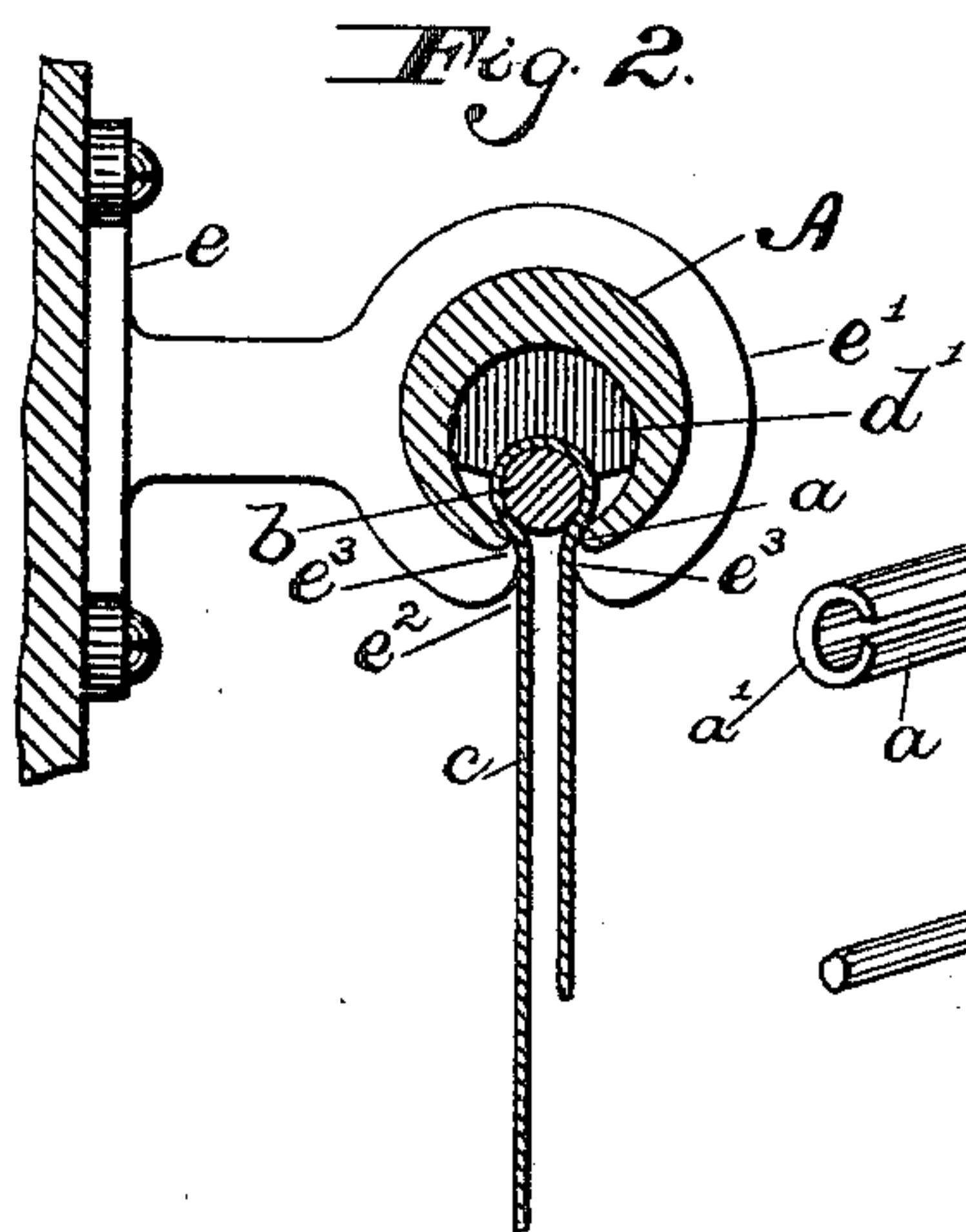
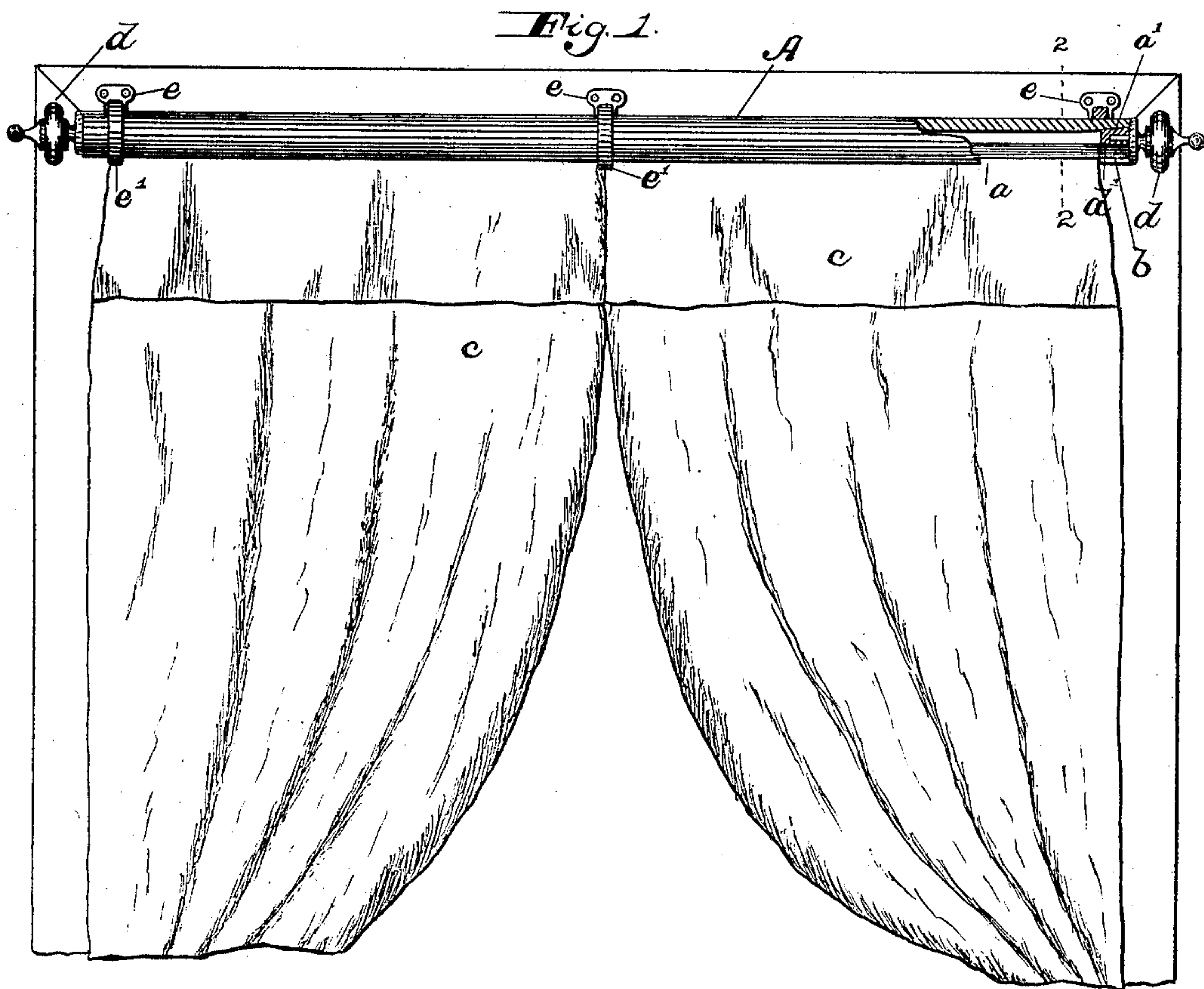
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## CURTAIN-POLE AND HANGER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL G. GREENE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Poles and Hangers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to curtain-poles and hangers therefor.

One of the objects of the invention is to provide an improved construction of curtain-pole designed to support a curtain or portière without the use of rings, pins, or similar fastening devices; and another object is to provide for a curtain-pole of this character hangers so constructed that the curtain or portière may hang downwardly through them, so that one or more hangers may be placed at various points along the pole to support the same intermediate of its ends, and thereby prevent it from sagging or warping by reason of its length or the weight of the curtain.

The invention consists of certain constructions and combinations of parts, hereinafter fully described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of the upper portion of a window or door frame within which my improved curtain-pole and hangers support a curtain or portière. Fig. 2 is an enlarged transverse sectional view taken approximately on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are detail perspective views of the pole proper, the rod that is intended to be inserted within the same, and one of the end caps, respectively.

Referring to the drawings, the letter A designates the pole proper, which is tubular, as shown, and provided with a longitudinal slot *a*, extending from end to end and with open ends, whose interior walls opposite said slot are beveled, reamed out, or expanded, as indicated at *a'*, Fig. 1, for a purpose hereinafter described. The width of the slot *a* is less than the interior diameter of the tube or bore of the pole proper, as indicated in the drawings.

The letter *b* designates a rod over which the curtain or portière *c* is intended to be draped, as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, and

after the curtain is draped over the said rod the latter, with the curtain on it, is inserted in the pole proper, A, from either end, the two laps of the curtain passing freely through the slot *a*. When the tubular pole A is supported in position over a doorway or window, the slot *a* is lowermost, and hence as the diameter of the rod *b* is greater than the width of the slot *a* the weight of the curtain will tend to draw said rod downwardly in a direction toward said slot, and thereby the two laps of the curtain will be pinched between the rod and the edge walls of the slot and the curtain will be securely held suspended from the pole without the use of rings, pins, or similar fastening devices.

In order that the rod *b* shall pinch the two laps of the curtain positively or effectively without depending solely upon the weight of the curtain, the two end caps *d* are each provided with a wedge or plug *d'*, which are inserted in the tubular ends of the pole A with a wedge action between the rod *b* and the beveled interior wall of the said pole, thereby pressing the rod *b* downwardly against the slot-walls and causing the rod to tightly pinch the curtain and at the same time also serving to hold the ornamental end caps *d* in place at the ends of the pole.

In combination with the curtain-pole hereinbefore described I have provided an improved construction of hanger or bracket comprising a plate portion *e*, adapted to be secured to a window or door frame by nails or screws, and a part-circular jaw portion *e'*, provided with a downwardly-opening slot *e<sup>2</sup>*, on each side of which is an upwardly-projecting short spur or lug *e<sup>3</sup>*. The pole fits within the circle of the jaw portion *e'* of said hanger, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, with the upwardly-projecting lugs *e<sup>3</sup>* taking just far enough into the slot *a* of the pole to prevent the said pole from turning axially, and the curtain passes freely down through the slot *e<sup>2</sup>* of the hanger. Hence the hanger interferes in no wise with the curtain, and one or more hangers of this construction may be placed intermediate of the hangers at the two ends of the pole, as illustrated in Fig. 1, and the intermediate hanger will prevent the pole from warping or sagging down at the middle.



The curtain may be draped in any desired number of vertical folds by raising the rod *b* in the tube so as to release the curtain from the pinching action of said rod and then sliding the curtain along the rod until the desired effect has been produced.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

10 1. A curtain - pole, comprising a tubular pole proper provided with a longitudinal slot; a rod over which the curtain is intended to be hung and said rod inserted in said tubular pole with the curtain extending out  
15 through said slot; and means for positively pressing said rod toward said slot whereby to pinch the curtain between the rod and edge walls of the slot, as set forth.

20 2. A curtain - pole, comprising a tubular pole proper provided with a longitudinal slot; a rod over which the curtain is intended to be hung and said rod adapted for insertion

in said tubular pole; and end caps provided with a wedge or plug entered in the tubular pole and wedging between the internal wall 25 of the pole and the ends of said rod whereby to press said rod toward said slot, as and for the purpose set forth.

3. A curtain - pole, comprising a tubular pole proper provided with a longitudinal slot; 30 a rod over which the curtain is intended to be hung and said rod inserted in said tubular pole with the curtain extending out through said slot; and plugs wedging in said pole between said rod and that internal wall 35 of the pole which is opposite said slot, whereby to positively press said rod toward the slot, as set forth.

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

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