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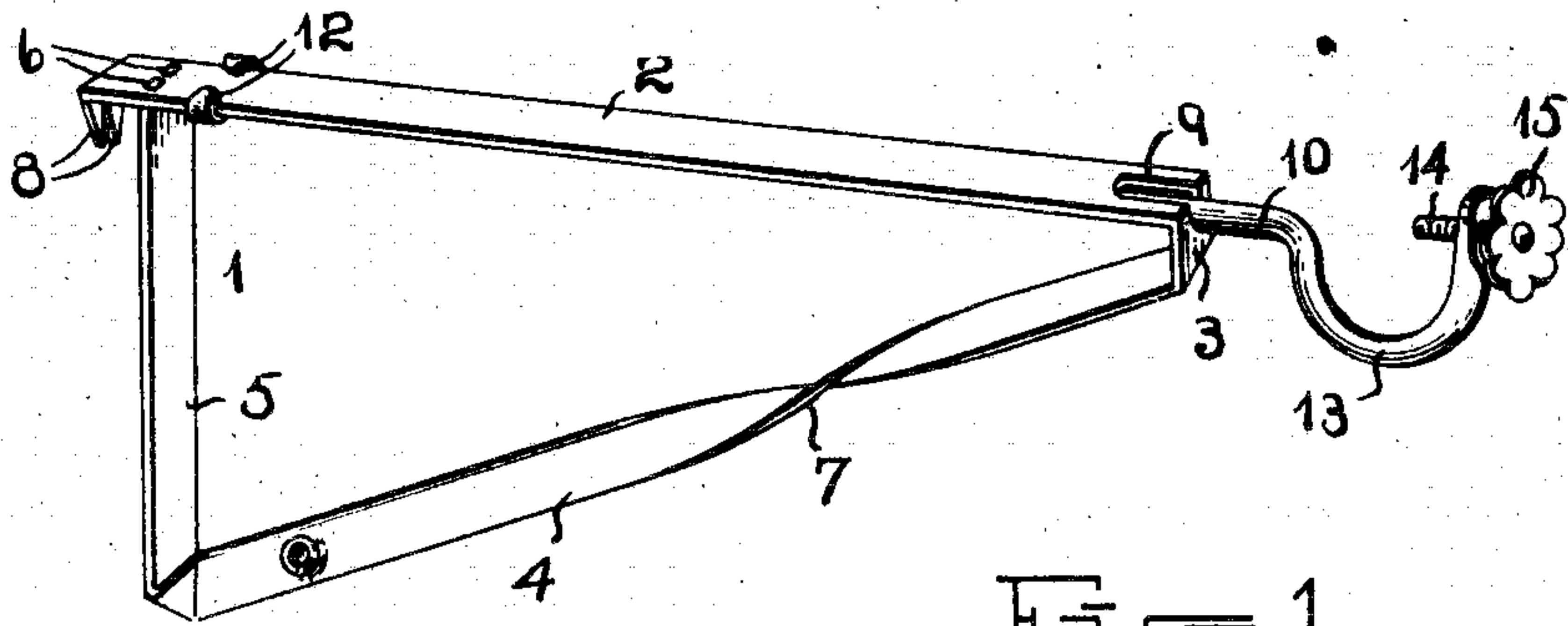


FIG. 1.

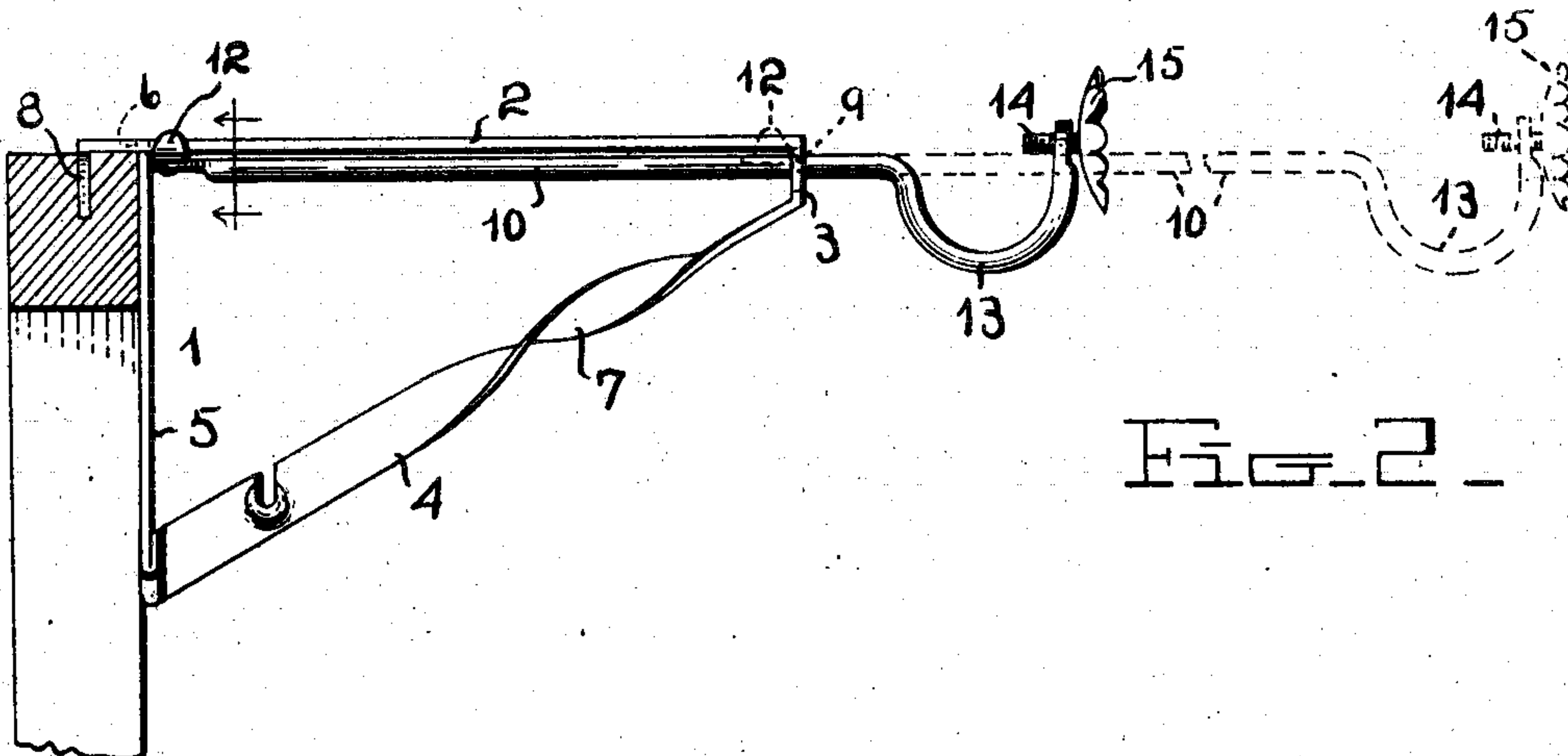


FIG. 2.

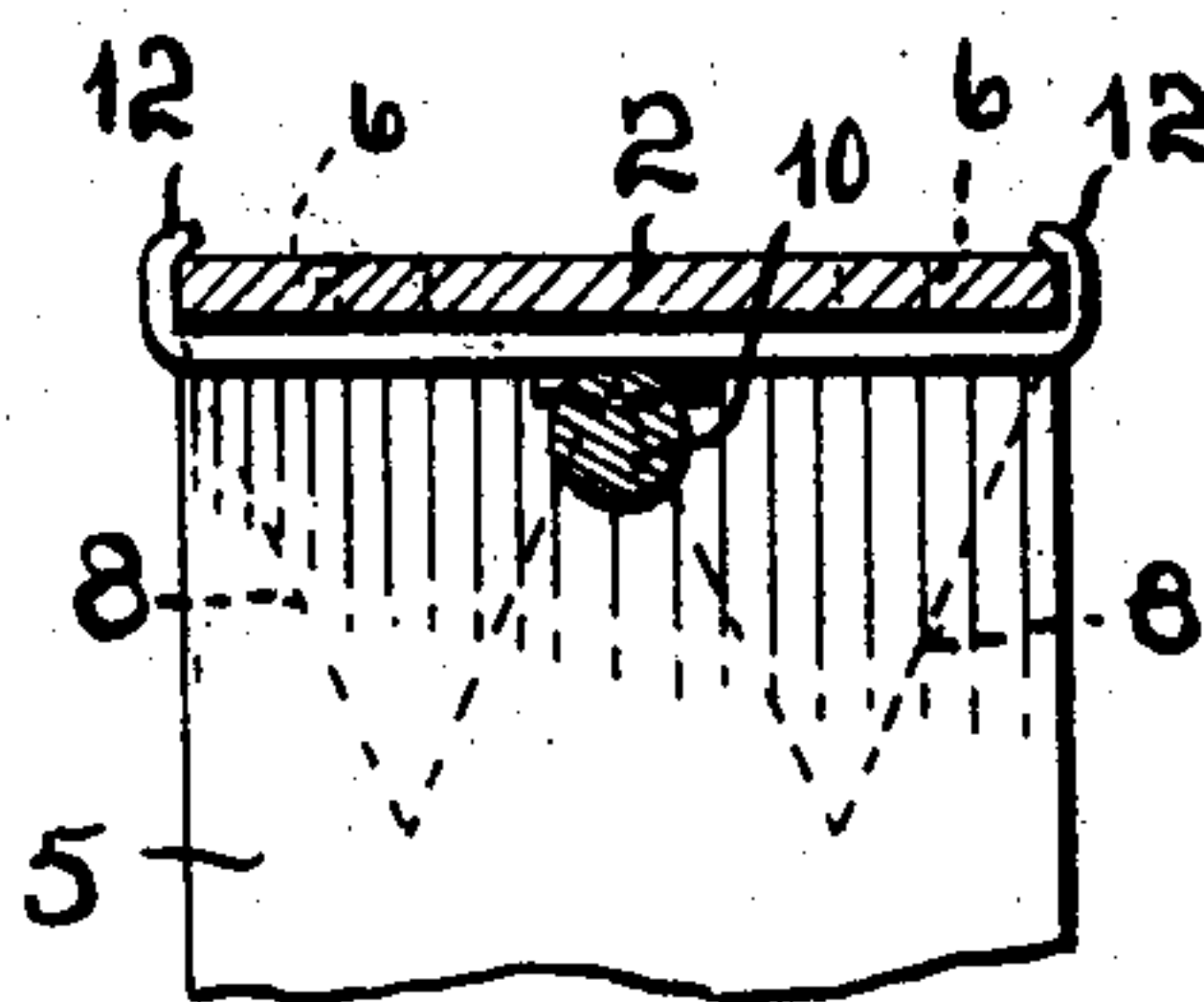


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRED ECKERT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Conneaut, in the county of Ashtabula and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Shade and Curtain Support; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in combined shade and curtain supports.

The object of the invention is to provide a combined shade-bracket and curtain-support adapted to be quickly secured to the window-frame without the use of nails or other separate fastening devices.

A further object is to provide a device of this character which will be simple, strong, and durable in construction, and in which the curtain-pole support is adjustably mounted to provide for draping the curtain at any desired distance from the window.

With the above and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shade-bracket and curtain-support constructed in accordance with the invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view through a portion of a window-casing, showing the manner of attaching the device thereto, the curtain-pole support being shown in full lines in a retracted position and in dotted lines in an extended position; and Fig. 3 is a detail cross-sectional view through the horizontal bar of the bracket, showing the manner in which the inner end of the adjustable curtain-pole support is slidably connected thereto.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 denotes the curtain-shade bracket, said bracket being preferably formed from a single strip of metal bent to form an upper horizontal bar 2, the outer end of which is bent downwardly at right angles for a short distance, as shown at 3, and thence is bent rearwardly to form an inclined brace-bar 4. At the lower end of the bar 4 the strip is doubled upon itself and bent upwardly to form a vertically-disposed frame-engaging bar 5, the

upper end of which is provided with tongues 6, adapted to enter apertures in the upper horizontal bar 2 and to be upset or headed in said apertures, thereby securely holding the opposite ends of the strip together. If desired, the brace-bar may be twisted, as shown at 7, to form an ornamental construction.

The inner end of the upper horizontal bar 2 extends beyond its connection with the vertical frame-engaging bar 5, said extended end being provided with downwardly-projecting right-angularly bent teeth or prongs 8, which when the bracket is in place are adapted to be forced into the upper edge of the window-frame, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The inclined brace-bar 4 of the bracket is provided near its inner or lower end with an eye to receive the journal of the shade-pole, it being understood that the companion bracket to the one herein shown will be provided with a notch or recess to receive the squared journal of the ratchet end of the shade pole or roller.

Formed in the outer end of the upper horizontal bar 2 and the right-angularly bent portion thereof is a bearing-slot 9, in which is slidably mounted a curtain-supporting rod 10, the inner end of which is flattened and is riveted or otherwise secured to a clip 12. The ends of the clip 12 slidably engage the edges of the bar 2, and thereby adjustably support the inner end of the rod. The outer end of the rod 10 is bent to form a loop-shaped rest 13, adapted to receive the end of a curtain-pole, said pole being held in the rest 13 by means of a set-screw 14, arranged in the threaded aperture formed in the flattened upper end of the pole-rest, as shown. The set-screw 14 is preferably provided with an ornamental head 15.

In applying the brackets to a window-frame for use the frame-engaging bar 5 is placed against the outer side of the window frame or casing adjacent to the upper cross-bar of the same, after which the teeth or prongs 8 are forced into the upper edge of the top of the frame or casing, thereby securely holding the bracket in place without the use of nails, screws, or other separate fastening devices. By drawing the curtain-pole-supporting rod outwardly the curtain may be draped at any desired distance from the window.



From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion, and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention as defined by the appended claims.

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

1. The herein-described combined shade and curtain support comprising the bracket made from a single strip of metal bent in substantially triangular form to form an upper, horizontal arm having downturned prongs at its inner end, an inclined brace-arm extending downwardly and inwardly from the outer end of said horizontal arm, and a vertical arm to bear against the window-frame, having its lower end connected to the inner end of the inclined brace-arm and its upper end attached to the horizontal arm near the inner end thereof, said bracket having an opening in the angle between the horizontal arm and the brace-arm, and a curtain-pole-supporting rod slidable in said opening and having a clip

engaging and slidable on said horizontal arm, substantially as specified.

2. A combined shade and curtain support comprising a bracket constructed of a single strip of metal bent to form an upper horizontal bar, an inclined brace-bar and a vertical bar connected to the inner end of the brace-bar and to the inner portion of the horizontal bar and to bear against the window-frame, means to connect the ends of said strip, attaching-prongs formed on the inner end of the upper horizontal bar of the bracket, a shade-roller bearing formed in the inclined brace-bar, a bearing formed in the outer end of the horizontal bar of the bracket, a curtain-pole-supporting rod slidably mounted in said bearing, an attaching-clip provided on the inner end of said rod to engage the edges of said horizontal bar, a curtain-pole rest formed on the outer end of the rod and a set-screw arranged in said rest to firmly hold the pole in place, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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