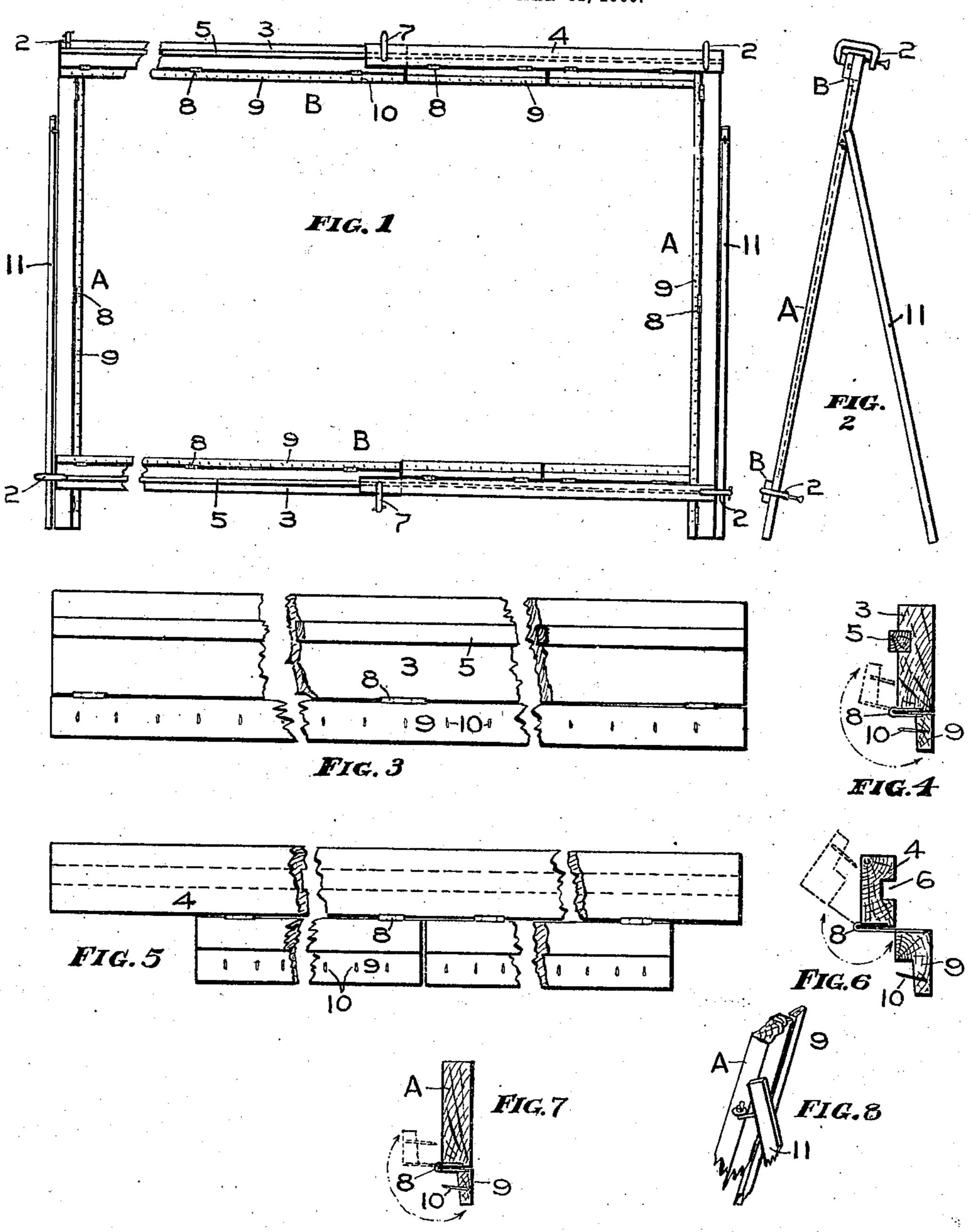
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH DEACH, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey and State of 5 Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Stretcher Frames, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in 10 curtain-stretcher frames, and consists in the features of construction and combination hereinafter particularly described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming 15 part of this specification, Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved frame. Fig. 2 is an end view of the same. Fig. 3 is a front view of one of the cross-rails. Fig. 4 is an end view of the same. Fig. 5 is a detail of an ex-20 tension-rail. Fig. 6 is an end view thereof. Fig. 7 is a cross-section of one of the upright bars, and Fig. 8 is a detail of the connection

between the side bar and support.

As shown in the drawings, the device con-25 sists of a frame made up of side rails A and top and bottom rails B. The rails A and B are connected at their corners by suitable clamps 2. The top and bottom rails B each consist of bars 3 and 4, slidable upon each 30 other by means of a longitudinal rib 5, carried by the bar 3, fitting into a groove 6 in the bar 4, the bars 3 and 4 being held together by a clamp 7, corresponding to the clamp 2. Connected by hinges 8 to the inner edges of 35 the bars 3 and 4 and the side rails A are strips 9, carrying upwardly-extending prongs or fingers 10.

The bars 3 are wider than the bars 4, so that the strips 9, carried by each bar 4, may 40 be folded upon the face of the bar, as shown by dotted lines in Fig. 6, and the strips carried by the corresponding bar 3 then folded upon the face of said bar alongside the inner

edge of the bar 4.

The strips 9 are extended back from the bars 4, as shown in Fig. 6, so that when the frame is set up the strips of both the rails 3 and 4 will stand in alinement.

11 represents standards which may be 50 hooked to the side rails A, as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2, to support the frame in upright and inclined position.

In use with the frame set up as shown in Fig. 1 the curtain will be stretched upon the

frame, being hooked over the fingers 10, the 55 frame being suitably adjustable in length by means of the sliding connection between the bars 3 and 4.

As shown in Fig. 1, the strips 9, carried by the bars 4, are in sections, so that the end 60 sections may be folded back over the bar when a shorter curtain is to be stretched.

The device may also be used as a quiltingframe by turning the strips 9 upon the faces of their supporting-bars and securing the 65 quilt between the bars and strips.

I claim—

1. A frame of the class described comprising top and bottom and side rails detachably connected together at their ends, strips 70 hinged to the inner edges of said rails and normally extending outwardly therefrom, and curtain-supporting means carried by

said strips.

2. A frame of the class described compris- 75 ing top and bottom and side rails detachably secured together at their ends, slidable members composing said top and bottom rails, means for securing said slidable members in adjusted positions, strips hinged to the inner 80 edges of said side rails and to the inner edges of the sections of said top and bottom rails, the strips of said sections normally standing in alinement, and all said strips normally extending from said rails toward the center of 85 said frame, and curtain-engaging means carried by said strips.

3. A frame of the class described comprising in combination top and bottom and side rails, hinges securing said rails together at 9c their ends, a pair of sections comprising each of said top and bottom rails, said sections being slidable one upon the other, means adjustably securing said sections together, strips hinged to the inner edges of said rails and 95 normally extending toward the center of the frame, the supporting-hinges for the strips of the outer sections of said top and bottom rails being projected rearwardly to allow the strips of said sections to normally stand in 100 alinement and curtain-engaging means carried by said strips.

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

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