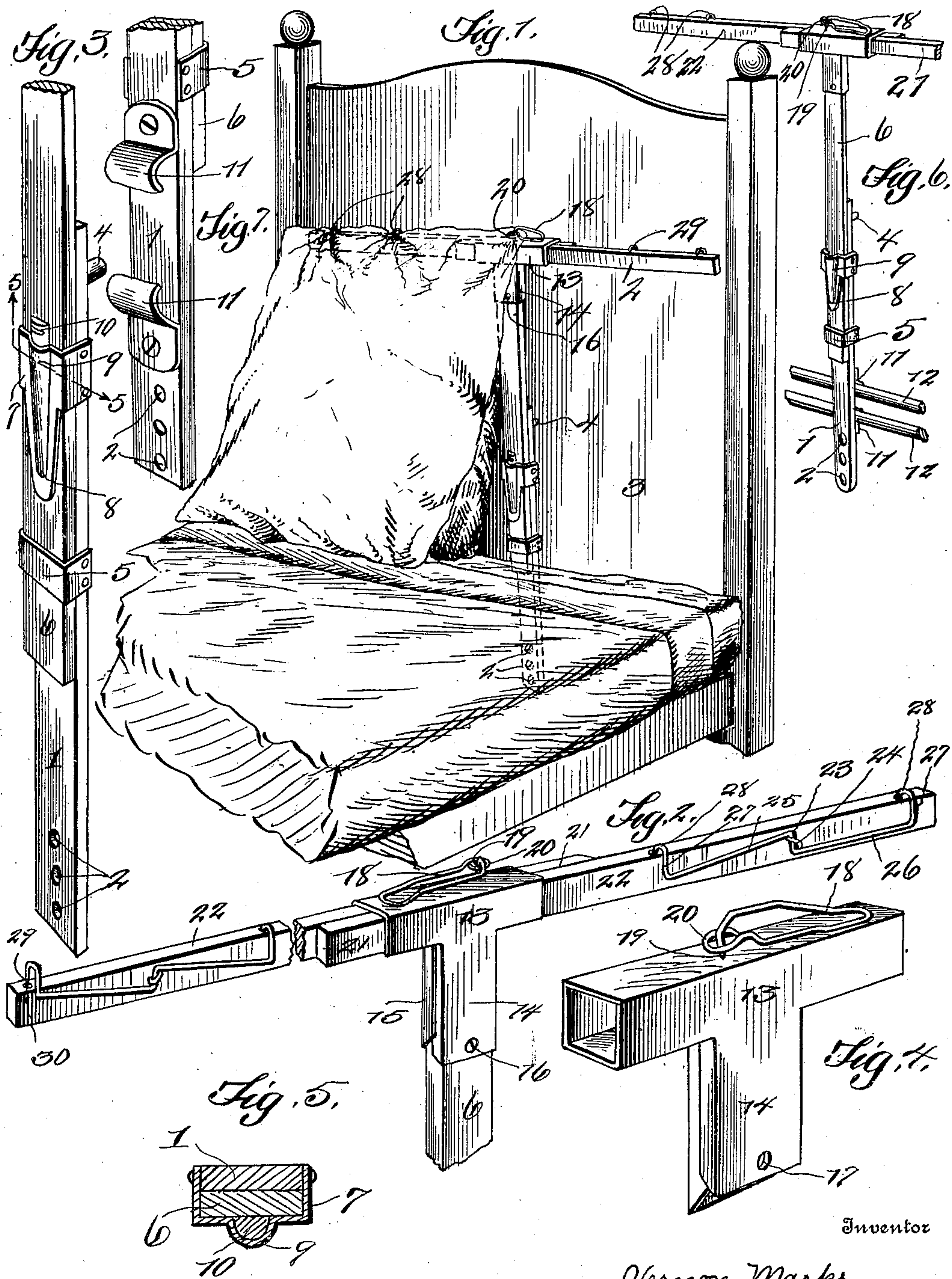


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VERNON MARKS, of Campbellford, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Holders for Pillow-Shams, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and shown in the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in pillow sham holders of that class designed to be held upon or affixed to the bedstead, and it has for its objects among others to provide a simple and efficient adjustable pillow sham holder adapted for attachment to either a wooden or a metal bed, the horizontal arms being provided with means such as spring pins or clasps for holding the shams, and these arms are independently adjustable in a suitable member in which they are frictionally held in their adjusted position. This independent adjustment of the arms provides for the attachment of the device when it cannot be placed centrally upon the headboard, yet allowing the horizontal arms to be so adjusted as to hold the shams evenly as regards the two sides of the bed.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will hereinafter appear and the novel features thereof will be particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawing, which, with the numerals of reference marked thereon, form a part of this invention, and in which

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the attachment of the holder to a wooden bed. Fig. 2 is a perspective rear view of the horizontal arms and their holding member, one of the arms being broken away. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the adjustable upright member, the horizontal members being omitted. Fig. 4 is an enlarged perspective view of the member for holding the horizontal arms, and its spring pin. Fig. 5 is a cross section on the line 5—5 of Fig. 3. Fig. 6 is a perspective view with a portion broken away, showing the mode of attachment to an iron bed. Fig. 7 is an enlarged perspective detail showing the rear portion of the upright seen in Fig. 6.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings 1 designates a vertical bar or rod having near its lower end a plurality of openings 2 for the reception of screws or other means by which it may be secured to the headboard 3 of a bed at a point below that occupied by the mattress, or it may be at any desired point on the headboard. The back face of this vertical bar is provided with a bumper or buffer 4 of rubber or analogous material for contact with the headboard, to prevent marring of the latter. Secured to this vertical bar 1 is a loop or the like 5 which serves as a guide for the lower end of the adjustable bar or member 6. 7 is another loop or the like secured to the member 1 and having a depending portion 8 adapted to bear against the member 6 and form a frictional holding device whereby the parts may be frictionally held in adjusted position. As seen best in Figs. 2 and 5, this depending member is bulged or bent outwardly, as seen at 9, and in some cases I may employ a key 10 which may be inserted or driven therein to increase frictional contact and more securely hold the parts in adjusted positions. It may sometimes be desirable to affix the upright to a metallic bed, and for this purpose I provide the rear face of the member 1 near its lower end and in position so as not to obstruct the openings 2, with clips 11, as shown in Figs. 6 and 7, which clips are designed to engage and receive the horizontal rods 12 of a metal bed, as will be readily understood.

Secured to the upper end of the member 6 is a horizontal hollow box-like member 13 having the depending portions 14 with flanges 15 within which the member 6 is received and secured by a screw or other means 16 passed through an opening 17 in the said depending portions 14. Secured upon the top of this hollow member 13 is a spring pin 18, the point 19 of which is designed to be engaged in the loop or eye 20, as seen clearly in Fig. 4. Within this hollow box-like member 13 are designed to be received the overlapped ends 21 of the horizontal bars 22, as seen best in Fig. 2. These bars are made quite a snug fit within the hollow member and are independently adjustable laterally or horizontally, being held in their adjusted positions by the frictional engagement with each other and with the walls of the hollow member.

Each of the horizontal bars is provided with a spring holding device for holding the shams. Each of said spring holding devices comprises a wire having a substantially vertical portion 5 23 near its midlength, held to the rear face of the bar by a staple or the like 24, the arms 25 and 26 extending in opposite directions and thence bent vertically, as seen at 27, and thence horizontally, as at 28, and the free 10 ends sharpened, as seen at 29, forming points which engage in cavities 30 in the upper face of the bar.

In operation the member 1 is secured in position either by screws or other means 15 passed through the openings 2 and engaging the headboard, or by means of the clips 11 engaging the rods 12, the said member being placed centrally upon the headboard of the bed when such is feasible. The member 6 is 20 then adjusted to the desired height where it is held either frictionally or by friction aided by the locking pin 10. The pins on the horizontal arms may be formed separately and placed apart if preferred. The horizontal 25 arms 22 are adjusted to the width of the bed, and the shams can be readily affixed thereto by placing the upper edges of the shams upon said bars, holding the overlapped edges thereof by means of the spring pin 18, and 30 the portions upon opposite sides thereof by means of the pins on the bars. Or, after the arms have been adjusted to the width of the bed, the member 6 with such arms can be taken out and laid on the bed and then the 35 shams fastened thereon. To do this, the pins are raised up and the shams passed between the pins and bars and then the pins pressed through the shams and into the cavities in the upper faces of the bars. The overlapped portions of the shams are secured by 40 the spring pin 18, the point of which goes through both shams. The member 6 is then put back in proper position and adjusted to the desired height.

45 The horizontal arms may be adjusted unevenly in cases where the vertical support cannot be fastened centrally of the bed, and thus the shams placed evenly as regards the sides of the bed. It will be observed that 50 the pins on the arms 22 are disposed upon the rear faces thereof and are not visible in use.

Modifications in detail may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages. 55

What is claimed as new is:—

1. A pillow sham holder comprising a vertical support having means for attachment to a bedstead, independently longitudinally adjustable and frictionally held horizontal 60 sham-supporting arms, sham-holding devices on the rear faces of said arms and having points engaging the upper faces of said arms, and a spring pin on the vertical support. 65

2. In a pillow sham holder, a vertical support, a hollow member at the upper end thereof, a spring pin on said hollow member, and horizontal arms having their overlapped ends frictionally held in said hollow member. 70

3. In a pillow sham holder, a vertical support, a hollow member at the upper end thereof, a spring pin on said hollow member, horizontal arms having their overlapped ends 75 frictionally held in said hollow member, and spring pins mounted on the rear faces of said arms with their points engageable in cavities in the horizontal faces of the arms.

4. In a pillow sham holder, a vertically adjustable support, a hollow member secured to the upper end of one member of said support, independently adjustable horizontal arms having overlapped ends received in said hollow member, spring pins on said 80 arms, and a spring pin on said hollow member. 85

5. In a pillow sham holder, a vertically adjustable support, a hollow member secured to the upper end of one member of said support, independently adjustable horizontal arms having overlapped ends received in said hollow member, spring pins on said 90 arms, a spring pin on said hollow member, and a buffer on the rear face of the lower member of said support. 95

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 24th day of March, 1908, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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