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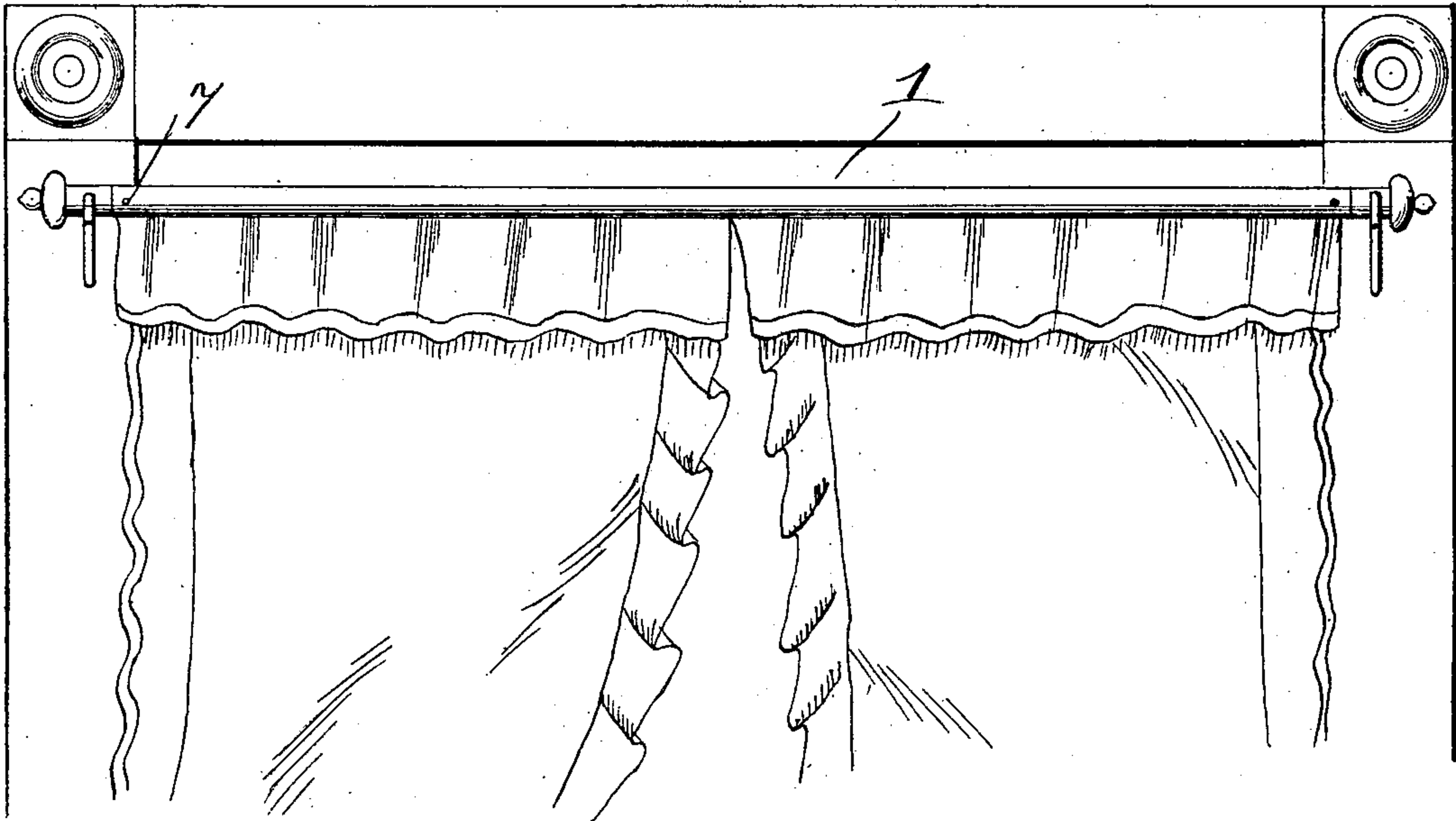


Fig. 1.

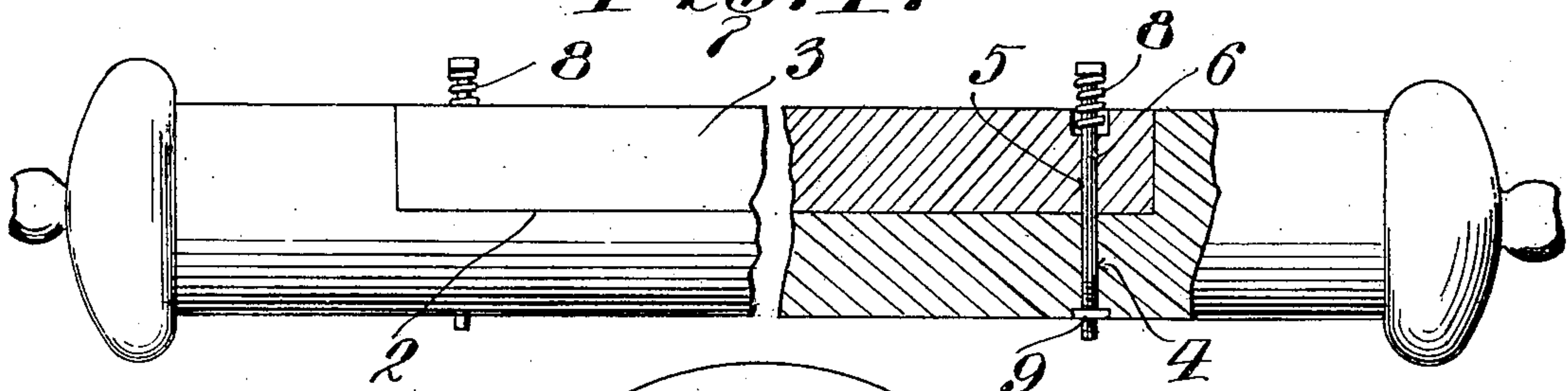


Fig. 2.

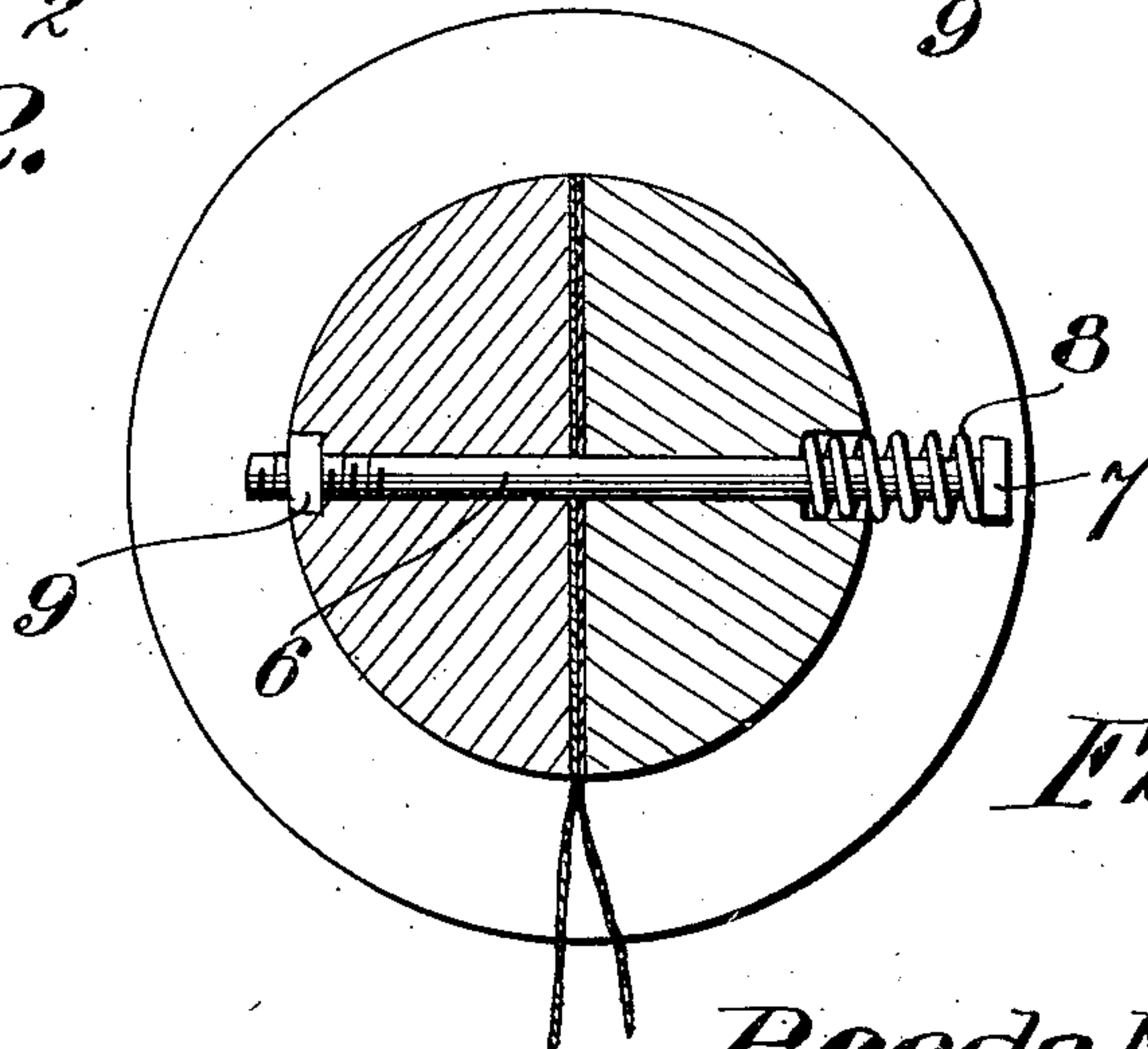


Fig. 3.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, BEEDE F. RANDOLPH, citizen of the United States, residing at Johnstown, in the county of Cambria and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Curtain-Poles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in curtain poles or supports and has for its object to provide a simple and efficient device of this character which may be cheaply manufactured and by the use of which the curtain may be hung easily and quickly and adjusted to the required height, the device doing away with rings, pins and similar accessories.

For a full understanding of the invention and the merits thereof and also to acquire a knowledge of the details of construction, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a front elevation showing the application of my device; Fig. 2 is an enlarged elevation partly broken away; and, Fig. 3 is an enlarged transverse section, the section being taken substantially on the line of one of the bolts.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated in all the views of the drawing, by the same reference characters.

Referring to the drawing the numeral 1 designates the body portion of the pole or support which is longitudinally recessed at 2 to receive the clamping member 3 which when in position completes the cylindrical contour of the pole.

The pole 1 is provided within the ends of the recess 2 with openings 4 which register with corresponding openings 5 in the clamping member 3 and receive the bolts 6 which extend through the body portion of the pole 1 and the clamping member 3.

The bolts 6 are provided at one end with heads 7 and carry the springs 8 which encircle the said bolts and are interposed between the heads 7 and the clamping member 3. The opposite ends of the bolts 6 are pro-

vided with nuts 9 which may be turned to regulate the tension of the clamping member 3.

It should be noted that in order to adjust the tension of the springs it is only necessary to turn the bolts 5, the nuts 9 being countersunk in the body portion of the pole and held against the same by the action of said spring.

By inserting the curtain or other drapery between the clamping member 3 and the pole 1 the same will be firmly held in position and may be easily adjusted to any desired length by pressing the clamping member 3 away from the pole 1, allowing for the free movement of the curtain between the same.

It will be understood that I am not limited to any length or design of pole or to any number of spring bolts, as it may be found expedient where the clamping member 3 is of unusual length to provide additional bolts to securely hold the curtain or other drapery.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed as new is:

1. In a curtain pole the combination of a body portion having a longitudinally extending recess in one side thereof and extended centrally of the body portion, a correspondingly shaped clamping member engaged loosely in the recess and having a rounded outer face to conform to the periphery of the body portion, headed bolts loosely engaged through said body portion and said clamping member adjacent the ends of the latter, the body portion and the clamping member having countersunk portions in the faces thereof about said bolts, nuts carried upon the ends of said bolts and seated within said body portion to prevent the rotation of the nuts, and springs arranged about said bolts against the heads and in the countersunk portions of said clamping member.

2. In a curtain pole, the combination of an elongated body portion having a recess in one side thereof extending to the longitudinal center of the same, and to points adjacent the opposite extremities of the body

portion, a clamping member corresponding  
in formation to the recess engaged loosely  
therein, bolts loosely engaged through the  
body portion and the clamping member ad-  
5 jacent the ends of the body portion, nuts car-  
ried upon the outer ends of the bolts and  
seated within the surface of the body por-  
tion to prevent the rotation of said nuts, and  
springs carried upon the opposite ends of

said bolts and having their inner ends seated 10  
within the surface of said clamping member.

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

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