To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Fred Washburn, a citizen of the United States, residing at Michigan City, in the county of LaPorte and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Window Shade and Curtain Bracket, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined shade and curtain bracket for windows, and has for its object to provide in a single bracket means for supporting one end of a window shade and one end of a drapery pole. Two brackets connected by a rod will be used at each window and each has means for suspending it from the window frame without employing screws or nails and which will permit the removal of curtains, shade and brackets as a unit from the windows when so desired, or, either shade or curtains separately.

The bracket is simple and cheap and may be made plain or ornamental to suit the taste of the user.

In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a top view of the invention complete. Fig. 2 is an outside view in elevation of one of the brackets. Fig. 3 is an inside view of the bracket used at the opposite end. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a part of one of the brackets.

Similar reference numerals are used on all the figures for the same parts. Each bracket is made of two parts 1 and 2, connected together by a screw 3 passing through a hole in each part and tightened to hold the parts rigidly together by a thumb nut 4.

The part 1 of the bracket comprises a substantially triangular shaped body portion 5, one edge, 6, of which rests normally in vertical position against the face of the top beading 7 of a window casing. The angle 8 opposite the vertical side 6 is rounded and has a hole formed therein for the fastening screw 3. Extending rearwardly from the upper angle 8 of the body portion 5 and perpendicular to the side 6 is a finger 9 armed at its end with a downwardly projecting pointed spike 10 which is driven into the top edge of the heading strip 7 of the window frame when the bracket is put in place, the bottom edge of said arm resting on the beading.

Projecting downwardly and a little forwardly from the lower angle 8 of the body portion 5 is an arm 11 with a forwardly extending lug 12 formed thereon to receive the socket in which the shade is supported. The socket 13 on one bracket is circular, but on the other bracket the socket 14 is rectangular and open at the top in the usual manner to receive the flattened pintle of the shade stick. Through the lower angle 8 of the triangular body portion 5 is made a circular hole 19 to receive the ends of a telescopic connecting rod 16 which joins the two brackets at each window. The ends of the rod are threaded and held firmly in place by nuts 17 screwed against the outer side of the brackets which are fixed to the window frame. By means 70 of the telescopic connecting rod the brackets can be adjusted to windows of different widths and then fixed in such adjusted position by tightening the thumb nut 16, fastening the two parts of the connecting rod.

The outer part 2 of the bracket consists of a plate fastened at one end to the part 1 by the screw 3 and thumb nut 4 as described and held from rotating on said screw by a stud 18 on the pointed inner end 20 of the part 2, seated in a hole 19 in the body part 1. If it be desired to set the plate 2 at an angle and hold it so set, a plurality of holes, concentric to the screw 3 may be made in the body 1, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 3. The central portion 21 of the part 2 is bent outwardly at an angle to the two ends which lie in parallel planes. The outer end 23 of the plate has a circular or other ornamental shape, from the upper edge of which rises a pin 25 for the purpose of supporting one end of the drapery pole 24, the latter having a diametrically disposed hole 26 made therein for the purpose. The drapery pole may also be made telescopic as shown to fit various sizes of windows.

The bracket may be made of sheet metal stamped or of cast metal, and its configuration varied indefinitely provided the main essentials above enumerated are substantially retained, that is to say, a two-part bracket easily attached to and detached from a window frame, one part carrying the shade fixture and the other part the curtain pole support, the two-bracket parts being separably connected together.

The space between the outer ends of the bracket parts 2 is made greater than the distance between the shade fixtures 13, 14 for the purpose of carrying the outer edges of...
the draperies beyond the edges of the shade and partly across the slide frames of the windows.

I claim:

1. A bracket of the class described comprising a member adapted for attachment to a support and forming with a series of openings, a second member, a threaded pivot stud pivotally connecting the two members, the last mentioned member being formed with a spur adapted to engage the openings interchangeably, and a thumb nut threaded upon said pivot stud for clamping the said members together.

2. The combination of a pair of two part separable brackets and a connecting rod joining the same, one part of each bracket having a suspending finger armed with a spur for attaching the bracket to a window frame, a window shade fixture and a hole for the connecting rod, and the other part having a vertically disposed pin for supporting a drapery pole on its outer end, and means for separably connecting together the two parts of the bracket.

3. A pair of brackets of the character described, combined with a connecting rod joining the same, each bracket comprising a two part separable structure pivotally connected, the pivots of the two brackets being in the same axial line, one part of each bracket having thereon a suspending finger and a window shade socket lug, the other part being provided with a curtain pole holder and so formed that its outer end with said curtain pole holder lies in a plane outside its inner pivoted end and said socket lug.

4. The combination of a pair of two part separable brackets, means for rigidly connecting the two parts, a telescopic connecting rod joining the brackets, one part of each bracket having a suspending finger provided with a spur for attaching the bracket to a window frame, a window shade socket-lug and a hole for one end of said connecting rod, and the other part having a vertically disposed pin for supporting a drapery pole on its outer end and a stud adapted to engage a perforation in the first named part, and a telescopic drapery pole having means at its ends to engage said vertically disposed pins.

5. A bracket of the character described comprising a two part structure pivotally connected, a screw forming pivot for said parts and adapted to clamp them rigidly together, one of said parts having a suspending finger, a window shade socket-lug and a number of perforations concentric with the axis of said screw, the other part having a vertically disposed pin for supporting a drapery pole and a stud for engaging one of said concentric perforations in the first named part.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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