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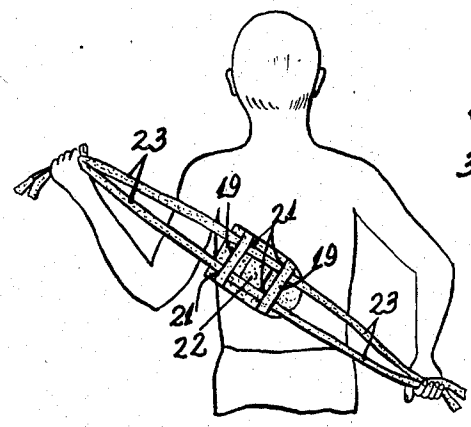


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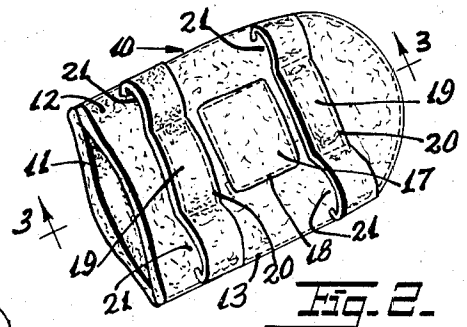


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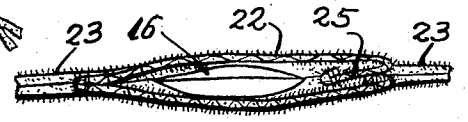


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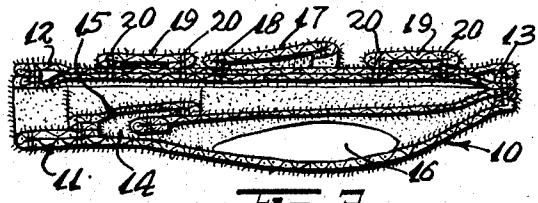


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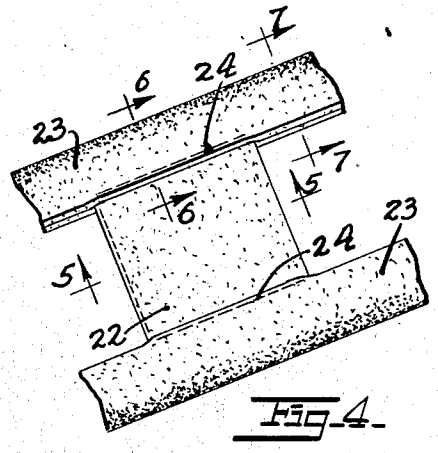


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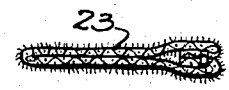


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This invention relates to new and useful improvements in a combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager.

More specifically, the invention proposes the construction of a combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager characterized by a massage member removably mounted upon a pair of adjacent cloth strips in a manner to be drawn across ones back or other portion of ones body while bathing.

Another object of this invention proposes forming the massage member in the nature of a mitten so that when the cloth strips are removed therefrom it may be engaged upon ones hand in a manner to be used to massage available areas of ones body.

Still another object of this invention proposes to connect the centers of the cloth strips together by means of a miniature massage member so that in the removed condition of the mitten-like massage member the miniature massage member may be used for massaging purposes.

It is another object of this invention to form both of the massage members with openable pockets into which a cake of soap may be engaged when the massage members are used as a unit or when each is used independently in a manner to cause the area being massaged to be simultaneously soaped and washed.

A still further object of this invention proposes the construction of a combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager which is simple and durable and which may be manufactured and sold at a reasonable cost.

For further comprehension of the invention, and of the objects and advantages thereof, reference will be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, and to the appended claims in which the various novel features of the invention are more particularly set forth.

In the accompanying drawing forming a material part of this disclosure:

Fig. 1 is a rear view of a person using a combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager constructed in accordance with this invention.

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the mitten-like massage member per se.

Fig. 3 is a sectional view taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the miniature massage member per se.

Fig. 5 is a sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 4.

Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 4.

Fig. 7 is a sectional view taken on the line 7—7 of Fig. 4.

The combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager, according to this invention, includes a massage member 10 in the form of a mitten. This massage member 10 has a front wall 11 and a back wall 12 each of which is formed of a double layer of cloth material. The walls 11 and 12 are secured together along three of their sides by a line of stitches 13. The fourth side is open forming an opening through which ones hand is adapted to be passed to the interior of the mitten.

The front wall 11 has its inner layer formed with an opening 14 closed by means of a flap 15. The flap 15 may be pivoted to expose the opening 14 and permit a cake of soap 16 to be inserted into the pocket between the adjacent faces of the layers forming the front wall 11. The outer layer of the back wall 12 is also formed with a pocket 17. This pocket is formed by securing a piece of cloth material to the outside of the back wall 12, by a line of stitches 18 extended along three sides of the piece of cloth material. The construction is such that the piece of soap 16 may be removed from the pocket in the front wall 11 and be inserted into the pocket 17 on the back wall 12.

A pair of laterally spaced parallel strips 19 are mounted upon the back wall 12 of the mitten-like massage member 10. These strips 19 are disposed on opposite sides of the pocket 17 and have their ends secured to the massage member 10 by the same line of stitches 13 which secures together the walls 11 and 12 of the massage member 10. The centers of the strips 19 are secured to the back wall 12 by lines of stitches 20 forming a pair of spaced loops 21 on each side of the massage member 10.

A connector member in the form of a miniature massage member 22 is disposed upon the back wall 12 of the massage member 10. This miniature massage member 22 is disposed over the pocket 17 and between the inner edges of the loops 21. The miniature massage member 22 has its outer edges secured to a pair of adjacent straps 23. The massage member 22 is secured to the straps 23 intermediate of their ends by means of a line of stitches 24. The free ends of the straps 23 are then extended through the loops 21 for releasably retaining the massage member 10 in position upon the straps 23.

The miniature massage member 22 is con-

structed of double layer material forming a pocket. A flap 25 extends from one of the layers of the pocket and is adapted to be extended into the open side of the pocket to close the same and retain the piece of soap 16 in position with the pocket.

While the drawing illustrates the massager constructed entirely of "terry" cloth or toweling material this is merely for the purpose of illustration and the massager may be formed of any similar material.

The manner of using the combination bath cloth, soap pad and massager is as follows:

Normally, the mitten-like massager 10 and the miniature massage member 22 are connected together as shown in Fig. 1. In this united condition the cake of soap 16 may be inserted into either of the two pockets of the massage member 10 or into the pocket of the miniature massage member 22. The ends of the straps 23 are then grasped as shown and the entire unit is oscillated across one's back to simultaneously soap, wash and massage the back.

It is possible to disengage the miniature massage member from the mitten-like massage member 10 by disengaging the straps 23 from the loops 24. In this condition the miniature massage member 22 may be used to massage one's back in a manner similar to that previously described.

The massage member 10 will now appear as shown in Fig. 2 enabling one's hand to be inserted into the open side of the member 10 to be worn as a mitten to massage available areas on the front of one's body.

While I have illustrated and described the preferred embodiments of my invention, it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to the precise constructions herein disclosed and the right is reserved to all changes and modifications coming within the scope of the invention as defined in the appended claims.

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

1. A combination bath cloth soap pad and massager having a massage member formed of superimposed fabric walls sewed together along three sides forming a pocket for a piece of soap or one's hand and a piece of soap, a pair of spaced parallel strips disposed on one of said walls and attached thereto at their centers and ends forming laterally spaced pairs of loops, a connector member located between said strips inwards of said loops, and a pair of straps attached to said connector member and extended outwards through said loops.

2. A combination bath cloth soap pad and massager having a massage member formed of superimposed fabric walls sewed together along three sides forming a pocket for a piece of soap or one's hand and a piece of soap, a pair of spaced parallel strips disposed on one of said walls and attached thereto at their centers and ends forming laterally spaced pairs of loops, a connector member located between said strips inwards of said loops, and a pair of straps attached to said connector member and extended outwards through said loops, said connector member being adapted to abut the attached center portions of said strips preventing movement of said massage member relative to said straps.

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