

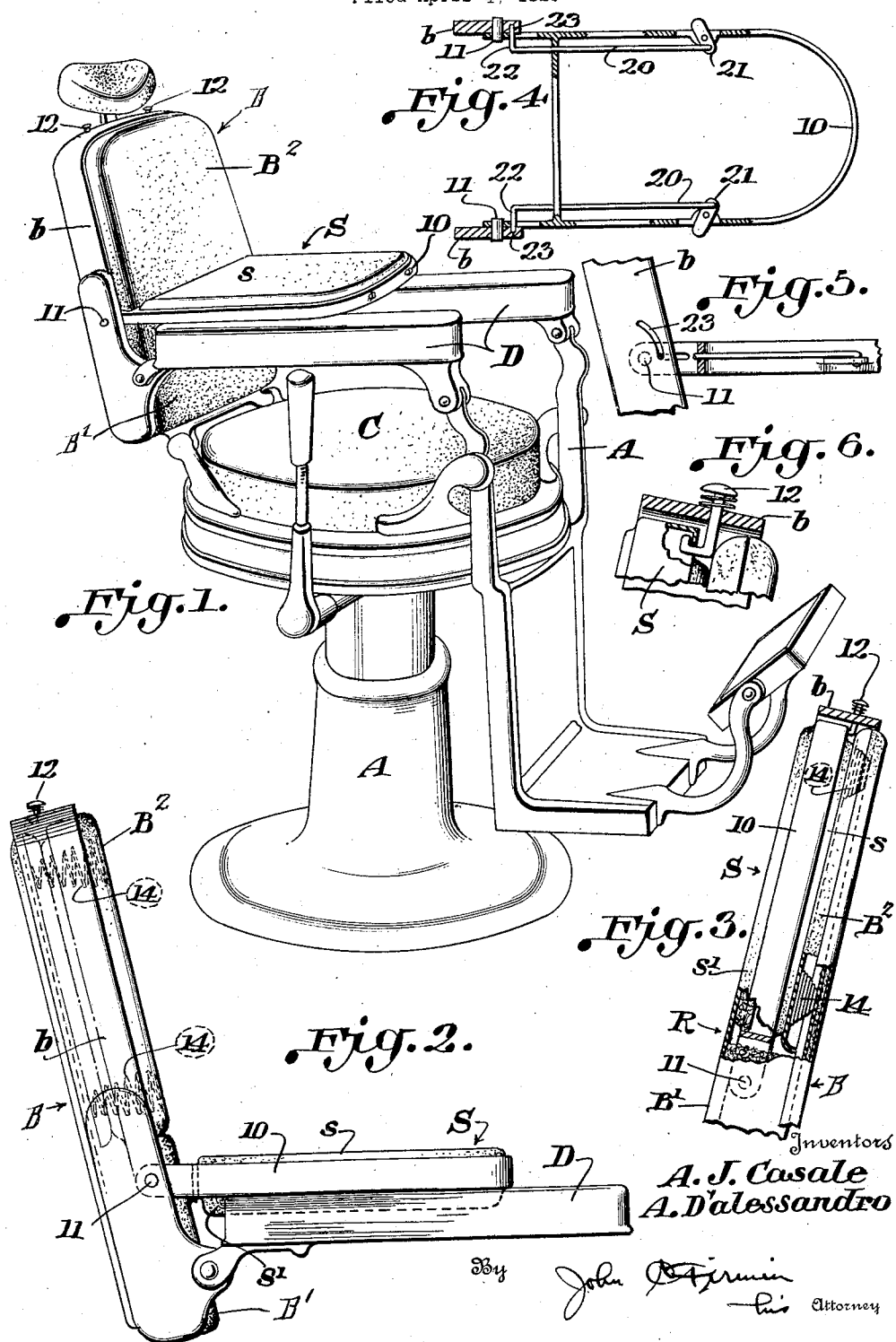
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This invention relates to improvements in barbers' chairs and has for an object to provide a chair which may ordinarily be used for the service of adult customers, at the same time possessing features which adapt it for use in the service of small children.

A further object is to provide a chair for the use of adults which by a slight manipulation of associated parts may have produced therefrom a chair upon which a child may sit at a height convenient for service in barbering.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from the following disclosure.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of the specification and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a perspective of a barber's chair with this invention incorporated therewith;

Figure 2 is a side elevation showing the function of the form in Fig. 1;

Figure 3 is a side elevation of the child's seat, folded;

Figures 4 and 5 show cooperative means between the chair parts; and

Figure 6 is a section detail showing a catch.

Referring to the drawings A represents a barber's chair having a back B, seat C, and arms D, as is customary in barbers' chairs. A frame 10 is pivotally secured at 11 to the back frame 6 and carries a two-part cushion S having faces on both sides. The face *s* forms a seat when the frame 10 is lowered as shown in Fig. 1 while the face *s'* forms the back of the seat or a part of the back of the seat when the frame is raised and the chair is being used for the service of adults. When the frame is lowered a child may sit on the surface *s* and lean against the follower cushion B² on the back B. When the frame is raised an adult may sit on the seat C and rest his back against the surface *s'*, which is a continuation of surface of cushion B', as shown in Figure 3.

When the frame is raised it may be secured in that position by any suitable means, such as the spring actuated detent 12, and when the frame is lowered, it may rest as

shown upon the arms D for support when being sat upon by a child.

When raised, the frame with its two-part cushion S may seat within a recess R in the back B so that its face *s'* lies flush with the cushion B' of the back. The follower cushion B² is adapted to collapse within the recess R when the child's seat is folded up, and held by the detent. When the child's seat is lowered the member B² is advanced by the coil springs 14.

In case the frame when lowered is not broad enough to span the distance between the arms D, means has been provided to cooperate with the arms D. Various means may be employed but the form shown is preferred.

In Fig. 4 the frame carries a pair of rods 20 connected to the inner ends of fingers 21 pivoted in the frame 10. The other end of the rod 20 has a turned-in end 22 which enters an arcuate slot 23 in the side members 7, so that as the frame 10 is pivoted about its pivotal connection 11 the rods 20 will be moved back and forth longitudinally thereof to extend or retract the fingers 21 from or into contact with the arms D.

While in the foregoing we have described specific embodiments and have mentioned only certain possible modifications, it will be appreciated that in practice we do not limit ourselves to such specific details as herein set forth, but may resort to any practical modifications falling within the scope of the claims.

Having thus described the invention, what we claim is:—

1. As an article of manufacture a back for barbers' chairs comprising a main frame with divided cushions one of which is retractile to form a recess, a supplemental frame pivoted to the main frame to form a seat and adapted to fold within the recess to provide a continuous cushioned face with the back.

2. As an article of manufacture a back for barbers' chairs comprising a main frame, a supplemental cushioned frame pivoted thereto and foldable thereupon to form a continuation of the back thereof, the supplemental frame being adapted to fold down to form a seat, and a cushioned follower in the main frame adapted to extend from the

main frame to form a back for the folding seat.

3. A chair back comprising a frame, a sub-frame mounted in the first frame and adapted to be retracted therewithin and to be extended therefrom; divided cushions for the frame, adapted to retract within the frame in advance of the sub-frame so that

the sub-frame may seat, and adapted to extend to form a back for the sub-frame seat when the same is extended. 10

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