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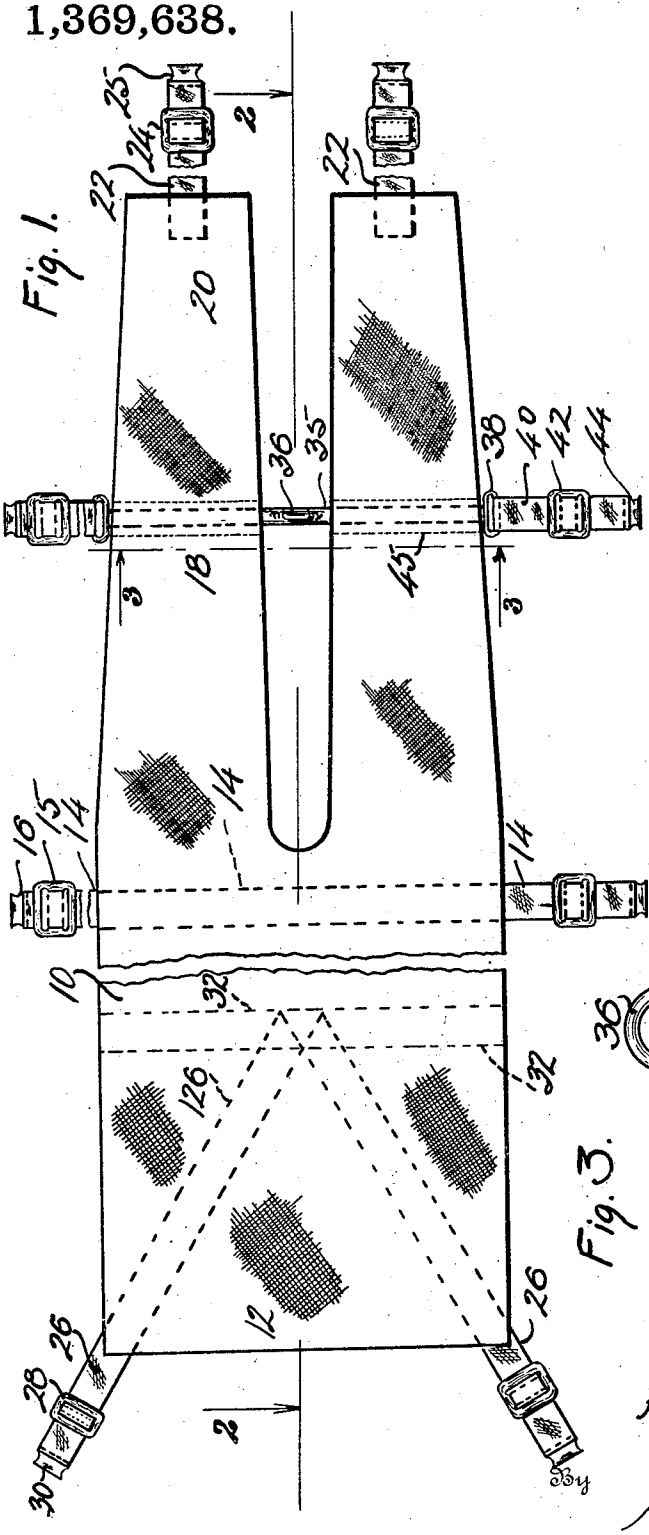


Fig. 1.

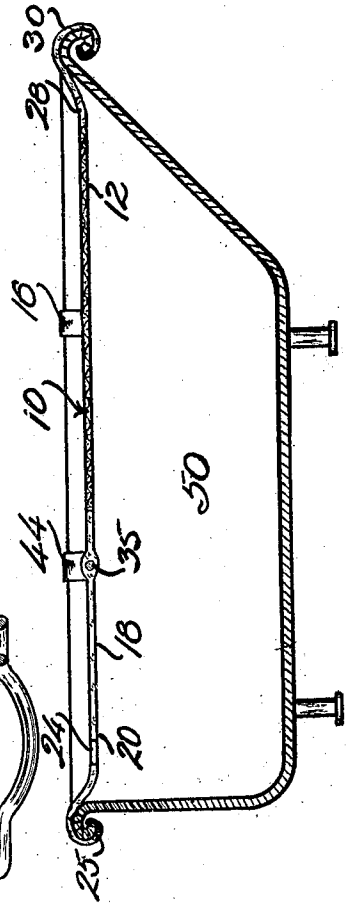


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, HARRIET A. EDMONDS and FREDERICK H. JOELS, citizens of the United States, residing at the city and county of Denver and State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bath-Hammocks; and we do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a hammock which may be secured to a bath tub and will serve to support a person for vapor baths or douches or enemas, in a convenient position.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a plan of the hammock.

Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section through the hammock on line 2—2, Fig. 1, showing the same in operation positioned on a tub.

Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the cross bar alone as indicated by line 3—3, Fig. 1.

The device comprises a sheet or blanket proper 10, having a head portion 12. The intermediate portion which supports the hips is reinforced by a strap 14, passing transversely thereof and provided at its ends with adjusting buckles 15 and hooks 16 to engage the sides of the tub. Leg portions 18 are provided, which are separated by an opening as shown, the extreme ends 20 of these portions being extended sufficiently to provide foot rests. Straps 22 are secured to these extremities and also provided with adjusting buckles 24 and hooks 25. At the head end of the hammock diagonally arranged straps 26 are provided having at their free ends adjusting buckles 28 and hooks 30. These straps extend inwardly as indicated at 126, and connect with a transverse reinforcing strap 32 on which the shoulders are adapted to rest. At an intermediate point of the leg portions 18, a transverse rod 35 is positioned, this rod having a centrally disposed upwardly curved part 36, which tends to prevent the leg portions 18 from working together, and keeping the space between them open. The ends of the rod are provided with loops 38, which receive straps 40 adjustable by buckles 42 and provided with hooks 44. Said rod 35 extends through pockets formed by stitching strips to the hammock, as indicated at 45. The portions of the rod in said pockets are preferably curved downward as indicated at 46, to provide a convenient support for the legs when stretched out straight.

The device is mounted on a bath tub 50, by passing the various hooks 16, 25, 30, 44, around the rim of the tub. The buckles are adjusted to properly stretch the hammock according to the size of the tub so that the device is ready for use.

This device provides a convenient and serviceable structure for use by invalids or by those who treat themselves at home. For instance, when taking a vapor bath, the patient may lie upon the hammock under a cover for the first stage of the treatment, and then, by loosening two or three of the hooks, quickly get into the warm water in the tub.

We claim:

1. A bath hammock, comprising a sheet having means for securing it to the sides of a bath tub, said sheet having a shoulder portion, a hip portion, reinforcing means for said portions, and separated leg portions.

2. A bath hammock, comprising a flexible sheet having a shoulder portion, a body portion and separated leg portions, and a plurality of adjustable straps connected with all of said portions and adapted to be connected with the sides of a bath tub.

3. A bath hammock, comprising a sheet having a head portion and a shoulder portion, reinforcing straps for said portion, a hip portion, a reinforcing strap for said hip portion, leg portions, straps connected with said leg portions, said leg portions being extended and straps connected with said extensions, said straps having means for connecting them with a bath tub.

4. A bath hammock comprising a flexible sheet having a shoulder portion and a hip portion, reinforcing means for said portions, leg portions, straps connected with all of said portions and extending therefrom, and

means on said straps for connecting with the edge of a bath tub.

5. A bath hammock comprising a flexible sheet having a shoulder portion and a hip portion, reinforcing means for said portions, separated leg portions, straps extending from said reinforcing portions and from said leg portions, and means on said straps to connect them with the edge of a bath tub.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures.

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