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ANTISEPTIC RAZOR WIPER.

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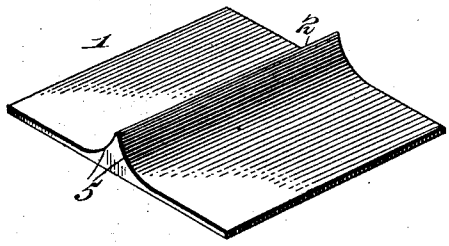


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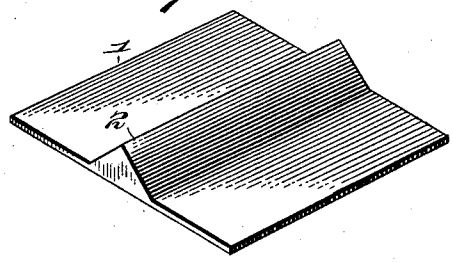


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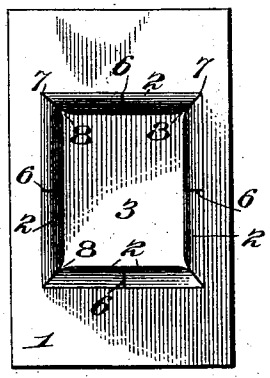


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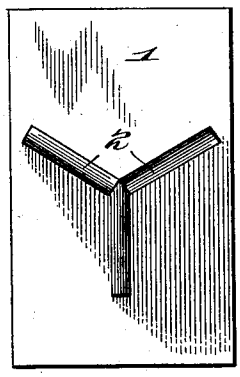


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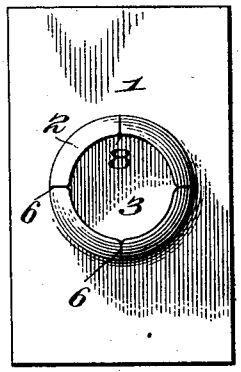
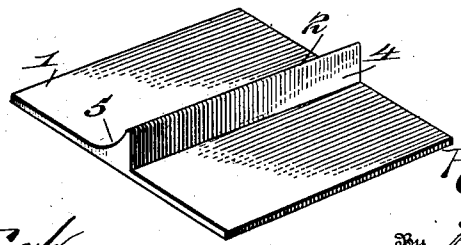


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT B. DAKIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Toledo, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Antiseptic Razor-Wipers; and I do hereby 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.

This invention relates to certain novel and useful improvements in devices or articles of the character commonly known as "razor wipers or cleaners."

This invention has in contemplation the production of an article of the character above referred to which shall be simple in construction, capable of being manufactured and brought into general use at but little expense, and at the same time shall be possessed of certain qualifications as to structure which shall render it peculiarly adapted to performing the function for which it was designed.

In order to attain the above-recited objects and others of a like character, my invention consists in forming or constructing a razor-wiper out of rubber or any suitable flexible material, and also consists in the certain and peculiar construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth and claimed.

While I have shown and will describe in detail my preferred form of razor-wiper, it will of course be understood that the invention is susceptible to various changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction without departing from the principle or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof. For instance, in drawings hereto annexed I have shown various modifications which I consider as coming fully within the scope and spirit of my invention.

For a full understanding of the merits and advantages of the invention reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a top plan view illustrating my preferred form of razor-wiper. Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective view of a portion of the same, showing the construction and arrangement of the wiping ridge or bar relative to the base portion. Figs. 3 and 4 are top plan views showing modified form of razor-wiper. Figs. 5 and 6 illustrate modifications in the manner of forming the wiping ridge or bar.

Referring now to the drawings in detail and to Fig. 1 particularly, 1 designates the base portion of my improved razor-wiper. This base may be formed of any suitable flexible material, such as rubber, and is adapted when the article is in use to be placed at any point convenient for the operator—such, for instance, as on the arm of the chair or the shoulder of the person being shaved. The flexibility of the base portion peculiarly adapts it to conform to uneven surfaces upon which it may be placed.

On the base portion 1 I have placed or mounted a number of ribs or ridges 2 in such a manner that they inclose a space, as at 3, substantially rectangular in shape. These ribs or ridges are constructed of any suitable material—stiff or hard rubber—and in my preferred device are constructed substantially as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings—that is, one side of the rib or ridge, as at 4, extends upwardly from the base portion substantially at right angles thereto, while the other side, as at 5, is concave, substantially as illustrated. It will be apparent that the conformation of structure of this rib or ridge is such as to render it peculiarly fitted to perform the function for which it is designed.

When it is desired to remove the lather from the razor-blade, the latter is drawn across the ridge 2 from the concave side 5, this causing such lather to rest upon the vertical side 4 or else fall into the depression or lather-repository 3, formed by the joining of the different rib portions, and in order to permit the depression or repository 3 to conform to the unevenness of the base 1, caused by the irregularity of the surface, and upon which said base is resting, I have caused the ribs or ridges 2 to be divided or slitted, as at 6, thus forming a number of separate or distinct portions. At the corner portions, as at 7, where the ends of the ribs or ridges meet, such ends are beveled to preserve the rectangular outline of the device, and such end portions are further mounted or cut away, as at 8, to permit the ribs, as before stated, to conform to any irregularity caused by its position when in use. By such an arrangement and corre-

lation of the parts it will be seen that while the arrangement of the ribs as an entirety forms an elevated or raised rectangle, still the various portions or parts going to make up such raised rectangle are capable of independent and individual movement.

In Fig. 3 is illustrated a modified form or arrangement of the wiping ridges or bars, the ribs radiating from a common center, and in Fig. 4 the lather-cup is substantially circular in form. The ridges may be of different cross-section—for instance, as shown in Figs. 5 and 6.

The many advantages of my improved razor-wiper will be immediately apparent, so that it is unnecessary to dwell in detail upon the same. It does away with the use of the untidy and inconvenient scraps or pieces of paper commonly used in tonsorial parlors, thoroughly cleans the razor and adapts itself to all the irregularities of the surface upon which it is resting, retains the lather in the cup formed by the joining of the rib portions, and thus prevents such lather from soiling the clothes of the barber or party upon whom he is operating. It also possesses certain valuable sanitary advantages, inasmuch as after each use by the barber it can be readily washed or cleaned, thus insuring the removal of all dangerous germs.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base of a size and shape to rest on the shoulder and conform to the shape thereof, and a comparatively long, stiff rib or ridge which projects a considerable distance upwardly from said base, said rib having a vertical, straight face and a curved or slanting face, substantially as described.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base and a stiff rib or ridge which projects a considerable distance upwardly from said base and arranged to inclose a portion of the base and form a lather-receptacle, the rib being slit at intervals to permit the base portion to conform to an irregular surface upon which it may be placed, substantially as described.

3. As an improved article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base and a stiff rib or ridge which projects a considerable distance upwardly from said base and constructed to inclose a portion of the base to form a lather-receptacle with a flange all around the outside thereof to receive any overflow of lather, the rib being slit at intervals to permit the device to conform to an irregular surface upon which it may be placed, substantially as described.

4. As an improved article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base and a stiff rib or ridge which projects a considerable distance upwardly from said base and is constructed to inclose a portion of the base to form a lather-receptacle with a flange all around the outside thereof to receive any overflow of lather, said rib having a vertical, straight face, and a curved or slanting face and slit at intervals to permit the device to conform to an irregular surface upon which it may be placed, substantially as described.

5. As an article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base and a stiff rib or ridge which projects upwardly from said base a considerable distance and which is arranged to inclose a portion of the base to form a lather-receptacle with a flange all around the outside thereof to receive any overflow of lather, the rib being slit at intervals and beveled at the corner portions and cut away at said corner portions to permit the device to conform to an irregular surface upon which it may be placed, substantially as described.

6. As an improved article of manufacture, an antiseptic razor-wiper comprising a broad, thin, flexible base, of a size and shape to rest on the shoulder and conform to the shape thereof, and a comparatively long, stiff rib or ridge which projects a considerable distance upwardly from said base, substantially as described.

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

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