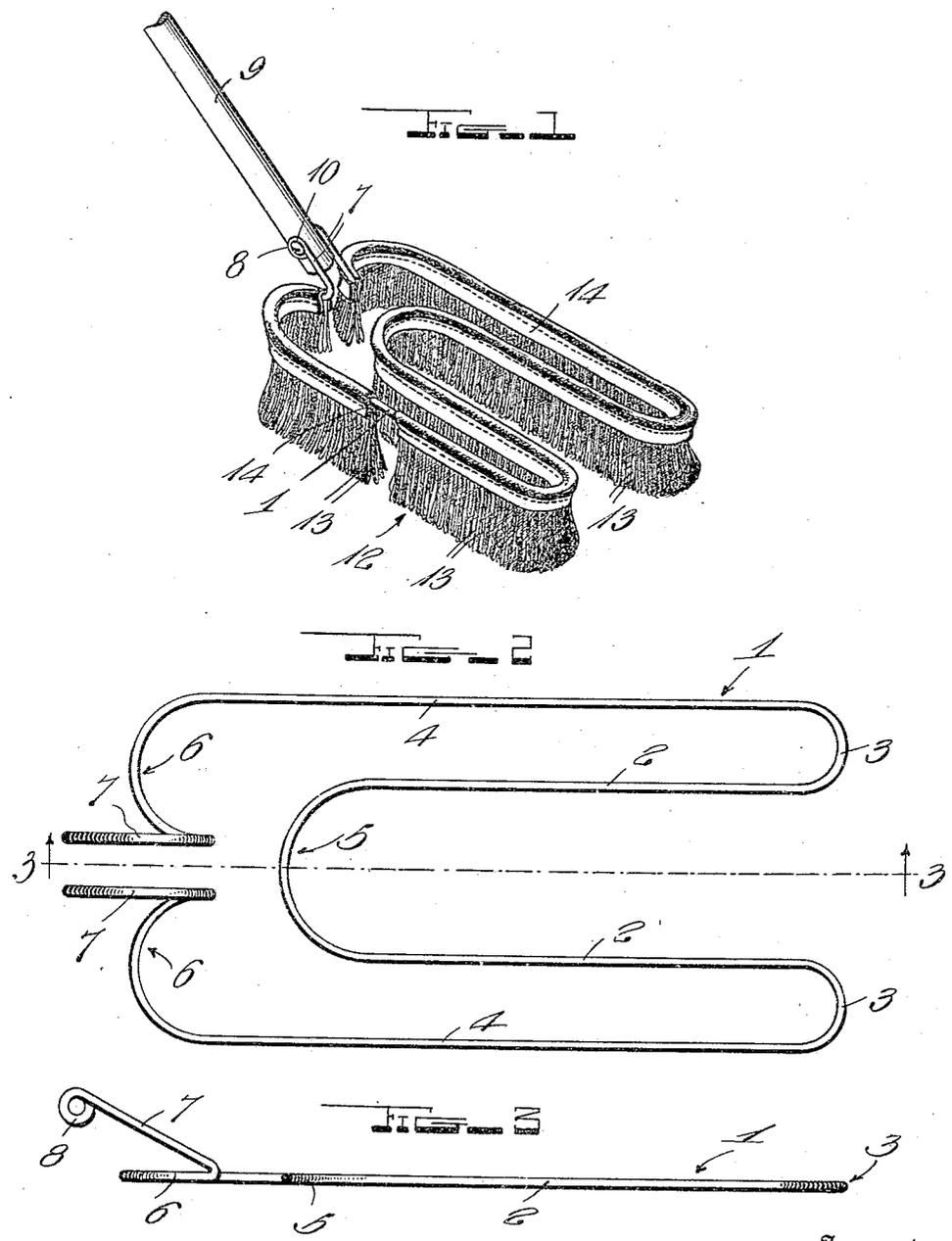


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, KATHARINE V. GOOLDY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fulton, in the county of Callaway and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Mops; and I 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.

My invention has for its object to provide an extremely simple and inexpensive, yet a highly efficient and desirable mop so constructed as to permit straddling of furniture legs, and easy insertion beneath radiators and the like. With this object in view, the invention resides in the novel construction hereinafter fully described and claimed, reference being made to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the complete device with a portion of the mop cut away; Fig. 2 is a similar view of the stiffening wire of the mop element; and Fig. 3 is a sectional view on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

In the drawing above briefly described, the numeral 1 designates a length of wire bent into the form of a U, the legs 2 of the U being bent substantially upon themselves at 3 and continued at 4 beyond the crotch 5 of the U, the ends of said wire being bent inwardly toward each other and toward the crotch 5 as seen at 6, then inclining upwardly and rearwardly at 7, and terminating in eyes 8. The eyes 8 straddle the front end of a suitable handle 9 and are connected thereto by a bolt or the like 10, in such manner as to permit vertical adjustment of the handle when required.

A mop element 12 is provided, said element preferably consisting of a plurality of strands 13 of wool or other soft material, said strands being secured at one end in a bead 14 which is preferably formed by folding a braid or the like around the strands and stitching said braid and strands together. The bead 14 extends substantially

from one end of the wire 1 to the other end thereof and is stiffened and held in proper shape by said wire. It will be obvious that the U-shaped front portion of the wire 1 permits the mop to readily straddle the legs of furniture, and that the flat formation of the mop allows it to pass easily under radiators and articles of furniture spaced only a slight distance from the floor.

The device is extremely simple and inexpensive, yet it will be seen that it is highly efficient and in every way desirable. Since probably the best results are obtained from the details shown, they are by preference followed, but within the scope of the invention as claimed, numerous minor changes may well be made.

I claim:

1. A mop comprising a length of wire bent into substantially U-shape, the legs of the U being bent outwardly and backwardly substantially upon themselves and continued beyond the crotch of the U, the ends of said wire being bent to form handle attaching means, a handle connected to said attaching means, and a mop element having a bead through which said wire passes from end to end.

2. A mop comprising a length of wire bent into substantially U-shape, the legs of the U being bent outwardly and backwardly substantially upon themselves and continued rearwardly beyond the crotch of the U, the ends of said wire being bent inwardly and toward said crotch, and then extending upwardly, said ends terminating in eyes, a handle having its front end disposed between and connected to said eyes, and a mop element having a bead through which said wire passes from end to end.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

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