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Fig. 1.

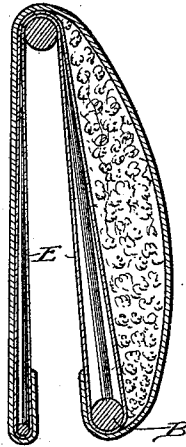


Fig. 2.

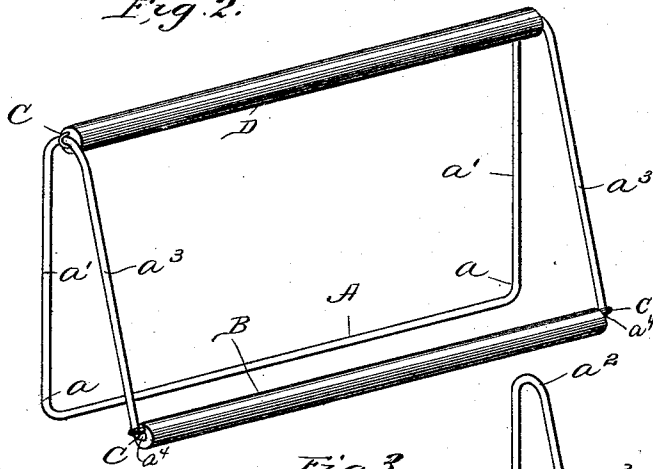
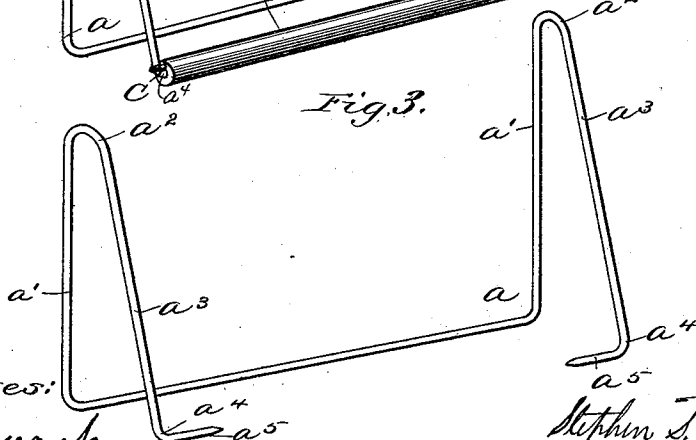


Fig. 3.



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HEAD-REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN S. DREISBACH, of Catawissa, in the county of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Head-Rests; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

My invention has for its object to provide a head rest or head support which can be easily attached to or detached from the back of an ordinary chair, bench, pew, car-seat &c., and which in addition to its function as a head rest, may serve to effectually hold a tidy or similar ornamental covering in place upon the chair or other article of furniture to which it is applied.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1 is a vertical section of the improved head rest. Fig. 2, a perspective view of the frame with the upholstering &c. removed. Fig. 3 a similar view of the wire portion of the frame detached.

Similar letters of reference in the several figures indicate the same parts.

In constructing the frame of my head rest a stout wire, such as shown at A, is first bent at the points a , to form the portions $a' a'$, and then again at a^2, a^2 , to form the portions a^3, a^3 , and finally bent again at a^4, a^4 , to form the prongs a^5, a^5 . This done the prongs a^5, a^5 , are inserted in apertures in the ends of a wooden bar B and a firm connection made between the wire and the bar by staples C, driven into the ends of the bar astride the wire, as shown. Another wooden bar D is secured to the wire at the bends a^2, a^2 , by staples similar to those which serve to secure the lower bar B, the result of which is, the production of a frame which is adapted to receive any desired form of covering and whose portions A and B are adapted to be sprung apart so as to embrace the back of a chair, bench, pew back, car seat or other

article and, when released, tightly bind said back so as to prevent displacement or dislodgment.

In Fig. 1, I have illustrated the manner in which the frame may be covered and upholstered. I preferably, first, cover the entire frame with some stout material, such as heavy cotton cloth, E, and then upon the front of that part which is to come in contact with the head I place a cushion composed of springs, hair, an air pad or other upholstering material, and over this, as well as over the back portion I apply a covering of plush or other ornamental stuff, finishing, if desired, with fringe and tassels, as shown, or in any other preferred manner.

A head rest constructed in this manner is very easily applied, can be adjusted up or down or laterally to suit the convenience of the user, and in no way mars or disfigures the article to which it is applied. It can be made and sold cheaply and constitutes a very desirable article for use in the household or for the convenience of those traveling. When applied to the back of a chair or sofa its clamping power may be availed of to hold a tidy or other loose ornamental covering in place.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new is:

In the herein described head rest, the frame work consisting of the metal wire having the cross bar A bent at the ends to form the portions $a' a'$, then back on itself at a^2 to form the portions $a^3 a^3$ and finally to form the prongs a^5, a^5 , the wooden bar D uniting the bends a^2 , the bar B uniting the ends a^5 , the covering of textile material applied to the frame and the pad or cushion held thereby on the outside of the frame; substantially as described.

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