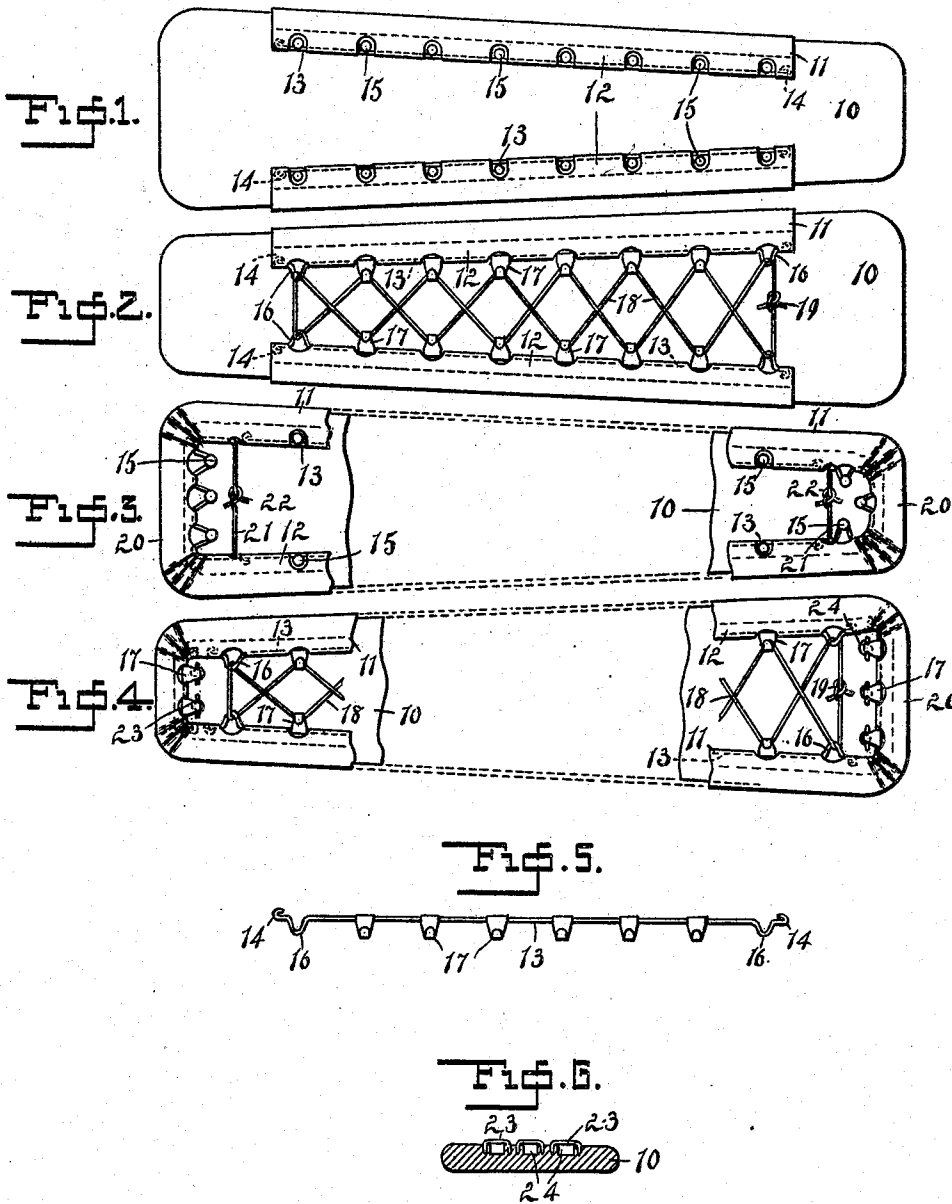


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD STONE, citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Covers for Ironing-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to covers for ironing boards and has special reference to the method of attaching the cover to the board.

The chief objects of my improvements are to furnish means for quickly and easily attaching a cover to a board so that the cover will present a smooth and even surface upon the side which is to be used; to provide means for making tension both laterally and longitudinally so that the cover may be applied in such a manner as to protect the entire surface of one side of the board, and to permit of the rapid removal of the cover and attachments without cutting or otherwise injuring the fabric or fastenings.

The method which I employ to secure a cover to an ironing board either to protect the surface intermediate of the ends or to apply it to the end portions, as well, is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of the application, and in which—

Figure 1 is a view of an ironing board and cover, seen from the inner side, embodying the preferred form of attachment; Fig. 2 is a similar view of a modified form; Figs. 3 and 4 are views of modifications of the covers shown in Figs. 1 and 2, respectively; Fig. 5 is a view of the stretching rod shown assembled in Fig. 2, and Fig. 6 is a transverse section of the board and cover shown in Fig. 4, the cutting plane passing through the staples for the end tension rod hooks.

Referring to the drawing more in detail, the numeral 10 indicates an ironing board of the ordinary shape and material one side of which is overlaid with a covering 11 of cloth or other suitable fabric, which is of sufficient width to lap around the edges of the board and extend on the inner side to a moderate distance from the margins. The cover is preferably so shaped that its borders will lie practically parallel with the board edges, and the said borders are provided with suitable hems 12, adapted to receive stretching members 13, which are preferably constructed of metal rods, the extremities being recurved to form blunt ends

14 thus preventing injury to the cloth when being inserted and facilitating the entrance of the rod when assembling, one end of the hem being left open for that purpose.

Upon the under side of the board, and parallel with each edge, a row of spaced knobs or buttons 15 are driven into the board, and the free edges of the hems are cut away to form notches at intervals corresponding with the spacing of said buttons to receive the latter, which can thus engage the rod 13 where exposed at the openings.

In Fig. 2 is illustrated a somewhat modified form of fastening, which has no permanent attachment to the board and in this instance the free edges of the hems are furnished with spaced marginal notches, and the rods 13 are curved near their ends to form loops 16 which project through the marginal notches nearest the hem ends. Between said loops 16 the rods are furnished with a series of spaced metallic hooks 17 which project through said marginal notches said hooks being formed of thin material, the ends opposite the hooked tips, being bent around the rod 13 and secured in position in any desirable manner. When the cover is applied to a board the fabric is stretched snugly by means of a cord 18 which is threaded through the loops 16 at each end and engages the hooks 17 by being laced across from side to side in the manner shown and secured by knotting the ends 19.

The cover shown in Fig. 3 is made of sufficient length to entirely cover one surface of the board, and thus laps over the end margins, as well as the sides. Those portions 20 which cover the ends are hemmed and supplied with a plurality of notches, and opposite the latter are fixed buttons similar to those applied to the board shown in Fig. 1, and a short cord is passed through this end hem and at each of the notches a bight of the cord is drawn out and looped over the corresponding button, and after being drawn tight, is tied in a knot 22. In this way the entire cover is made smooth and tense upon every portion of the working surface.

Referring to Fig. 4 which shows the application of a complete cover stretched along the lateral margins by means of the stiffening members described in connection with Fig. 2, we observe a modified form of attachment for the ends. Here short rods, similar to the marginal rods 13, and pro-

vided with hooks 17, are placed within the end hems, and projecting through marginal notches engage staples 23. In this case the hooked tips are turned under and holes 24 are
5 bored in the face of the board to receive the said hooked tips, the points of said staples being driven into the board at points diametrically opposite one of their holes.

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

Means for covering ironing boards, comprising a cloth adapted to be placed around a board and having hems along its margins

and notches in the edges of said hems, rods removably arranged in said hems, hooks 15 mounted on said rods at said notches and means removably engaging said hooks and adapted to draw said cloth tightly over said board.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature 20 in the presence of two witnesses.

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