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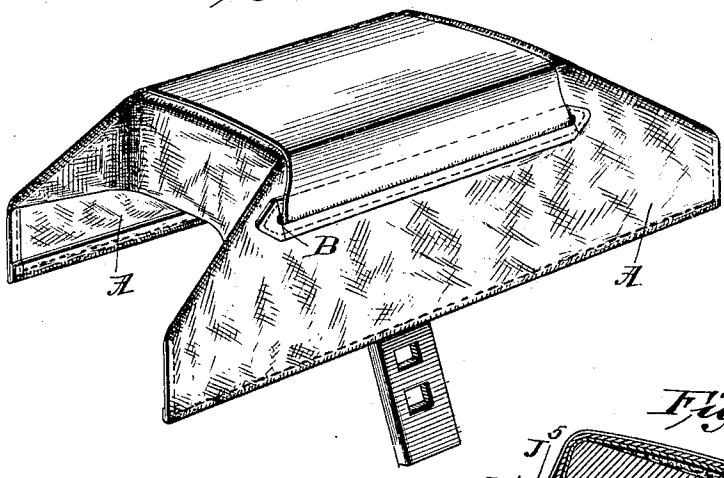

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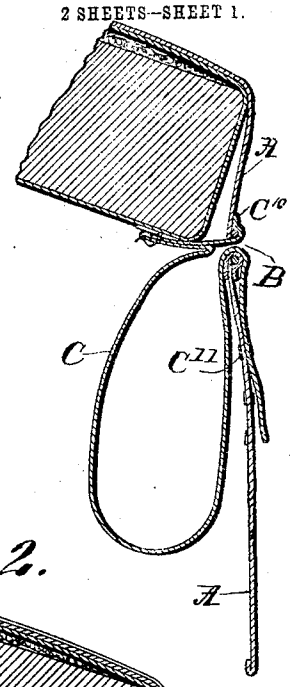

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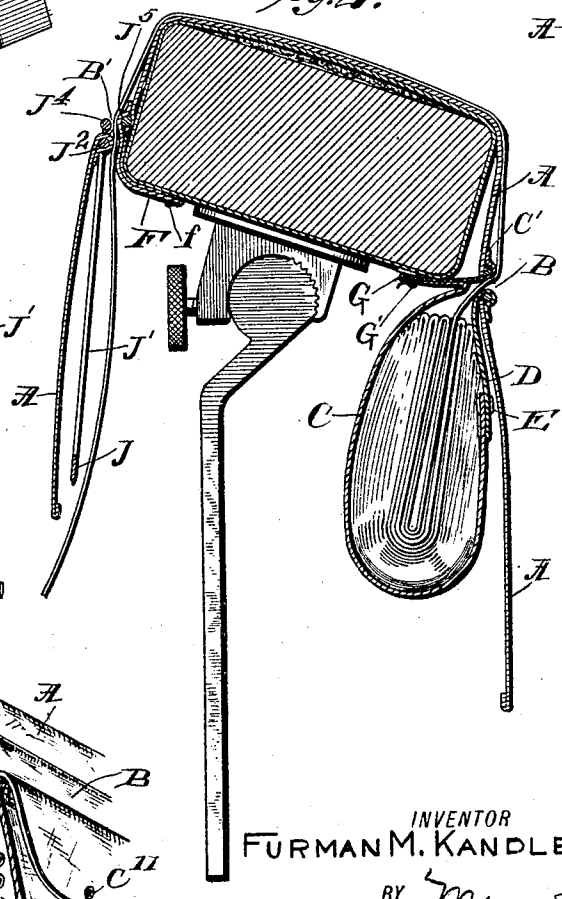

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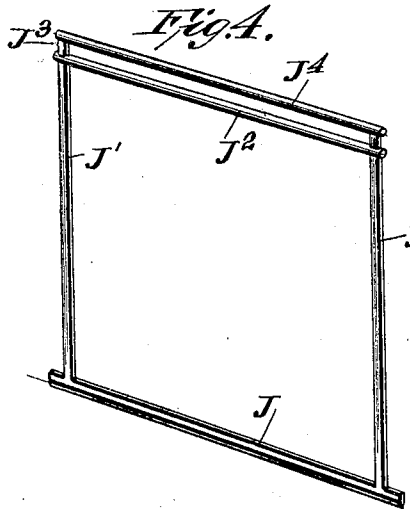

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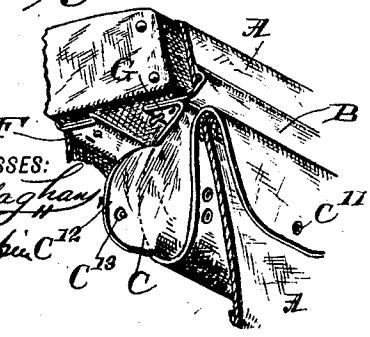

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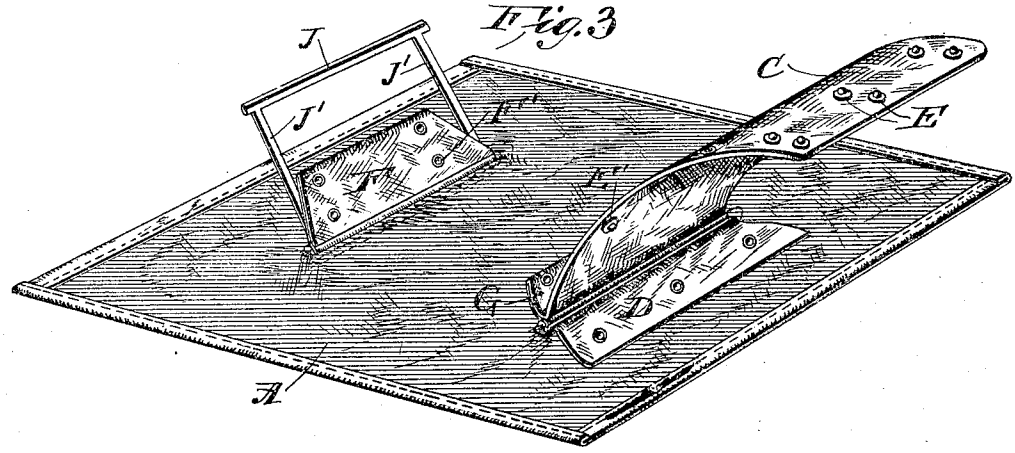

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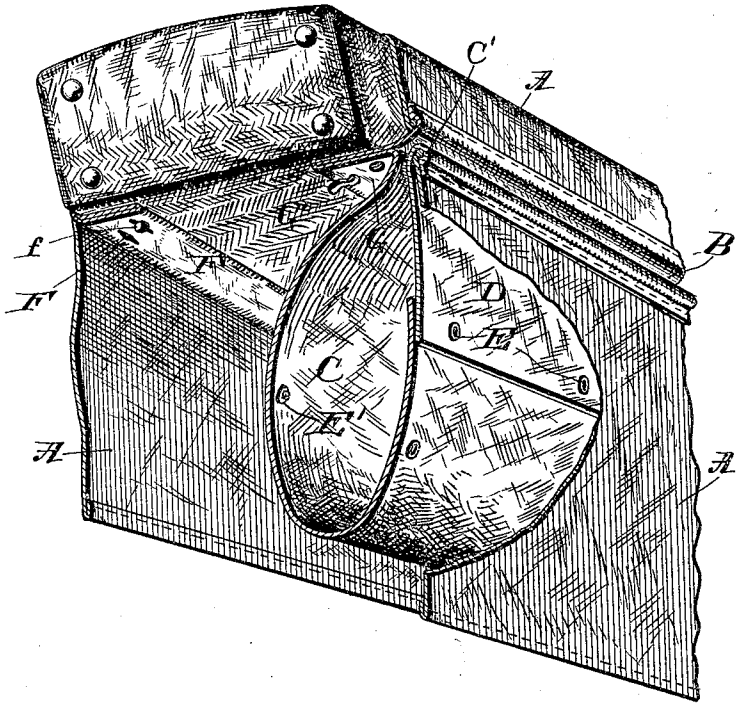

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FURMAN M. KANDLE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Atlantic City, in the county of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Head-Rests, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in head-rests intended especially for barbers' chairs, being in the nature of a flexible cover for the ordinary head-rest provided with means whereby it may be secured in place upon the head-rest and with openings through which a sheet of paper may be passed and with means for supporting a package of paper, as will be set forth; and the invention consists in certain novel constructions and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a head-rest provided with my improvements. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section thereof. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the inner side of the flexible cover with the several flaps opened out. Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of the cutter and its frame. Fig. 5 is a sectional perspective view of the head-rest and the cover, illustrating the means for securing the cover to the head-rest and the construction of the pocket; and Figs. 6 and 7 are views illustrating a somewhat different construction of pocket from that shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 5.

By my invention I seek to provide a flexible cover adapted for application to any ordinary head-rest now commonly employed on barbers' chairs which will form an ornamental cover and produce a good finish upon the head-rest and which will also serve as means for holding and guiding a sheet of paper upon which the head of a customer may rest. To this end I employ a sheet A, preferably of leather or some of its desirable imitations, which is made sufficiently large to extend beyond the surface of the head-rest on all sides so it may hang in skirt fashion from the several sides of the head-rest when applied as shown in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings. This sheet A is provided with two slotted openings or slits B and B′, which are spaced apart a sufficient distance to enable them to stand ordinarily at the front and rear edge of the head-rest about as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, so that the paper turned up through the slit B and passed down through the slit B′ will cover the upper surface of the head-rest and form a surface upon which the head of a customer may rest and which may be renewed readily and at small expense by simply drawing it through the slits to present a fresh surface between the slots or guides B and B′, as will be understood from the drawings. On the under side of the sheet A, at the lower or front edge of the head-rest, I provide a holder for the paper. This holder may be preferably a pocket C, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, and in practice I prefer to form this pocket C of a separate sheet of material secured at one edge at C′ to the sheet A, preferably adjacent to the lower slit B, together with means for closing the mouth of the sheet C to form a pocket and also for closing the ends of the pocket to prevent displacement of the paper at the ends of the pocket. As shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the pocket is preferably secured at its mouth by means of a separate flap D, having in connection with the free edge of the pocket-sheet C coöperating snap-fastenings E, and similar snap-fastenings E′ are provided for closing the ends of the pocket C, as will be understood from Fig. 3. In this construction, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the pocket is formed and secured entirely on the under surface of the sheet A. It may, however, be desired in some instances to make the pocket as shown in Fig. 6, in which the sheet forming the pocket is secured at one edge C^{10} to the main or body sheet A and at its free edge is carried through the slit B and secured at C^{11} on the outer side of the main sheet of the improvement, as shown in the said figure. In this construction end extensions C^{12}, having snap-fastenings C^{13}, may be provided for closing the ends of the pocket.

For securing the sheet A upon the head-rest I have illustrated flaps F and G suitably secured at one edge to the under side of the sheet A at distances apart to enable them to fit beneath the head-rest at the front and rear faces of the latter and to be secured to said head-rest. In securing these flaps F and G to the head-rest I find it convenient to provide one of the flaps—F, for instance—with eyelets F′, engaging headed pins *f* on the under side of the head-rest, which pins may be nails or screws driven into the head-rest, as will be understood from Fig. 2 of the drawings.

The flap G may be similarly secured to the head-rest or, if desired, clamps G′, as shown in Fig. 2, may be employed for this purpose, and these clamps may be preferred in some instances because of the readiness with which they may be operated for securing and releasing the flap.

In some instances it may be desired to provide a cutter for severing the paper after it has passed through the upper slit B′, although it will be manifest that this cutter may be omitted and the paper torn off. In Fig. 2 and in detail in Fig. 4 I have shown the cutter as consisting of a blade J at the outer edge of a frame J′, having a cross-bar J^2 journaled at the outer edge of the slit B′, the side bars J^3 of the frame J′ being extended above the cross-bar J^2 and having at their upper edges a cross-bar J^4, operating upon a cross-bar J^5 at the upper edge of the slit B′. In the operation of this cutting apparatus it will be noticed that if the paper sheet be lifted to bring its edge against the cutting edge of the blade J the frame J′ will be tilted on the bar J^2 against the cross-bar J^4 to clamp the paper against the cross-bar J^5 at the upper edge of the slit B′, thus holding the paper so it can be readily cut along the edge of the blade J. This is a simple and efficient form of cutter; but I do not wish to be limited in the broad features of my invention to the special construction thereof, as shown and described.

It will be understood that in operation the flexible cover forms an ornamental addition to a head-rest and by reason of the ease with which it may be applied and removed can be conveniently used on any ordinary head-rest and may be removed at will, so that the same head-rest may be used with the improved device and with the paper sheet forming a sanitary cover for the same or with the towels, as is sometimes a custom.

In practice I prefer to provide the paper in a pad of bellows form which will curve up within the flexible pocket formed to receive it with the hollow of the pad uppermost, so that the paper will be drawn from the hollow of the bellows pad, as best shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

As shown and as preferred, rods are provided at the opposite sides of the slits B and B′ to brace the same and form suitable guides for the passage of the paper in order to avoid any undue friction thereon in drawing the paper across the head-rest.

While the paper preferably is used in the form of a bellows pad, it may be taken off a roll, and manifestly in practice the pad or roll and its supporting devices may be arranged on either side of the head-rest—that is to say, at either the front or back—as is found most convenient in any particular case.

By my invention it will be noticed that I provide a flexible cover for a head-rest having means for securing it in place upon a head-rest and also provide means for holding and guiding the paper sheet.

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

1. A cover for head-rests consisting of a flexible sheet adapted to fit over and envelop and obscure a head-rest and having on its under side a pair of flaps and coöperating fastening means for securing the said flaps to the head-rest, and a pocket on the under side of the cover-sheet and forming a holder for a package of paper, the cover-sheet being slitted for the passage of the paper from said pocket, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination with a head-rest of a flexible sheet fitted thereon, and means on the under side of and carried and obscured from view by said flexible sheet for supporting a package of paper in position for the paper to be guided and stretched over the said cover-sheet, the said sheet being adapted to envelop and obscure the head-rest, and means for permitting its ready application to and removal therefrom substantially as set forth.

3. A cover for head-rests consisting of a flexible sheet adapted to fit over and hang in skirt-like fashion from the head-rest and provided beneath and obscured by the skirt-like portion with means for holding a paper package, the skirt-like portions depending at the sides and ends of the cover substantially as set forth.

4. The combination in a cover for head-rests of a flexible sheet adapted for application to said head-rest, and having skirt-like portions at its sides and ends to depend alongside and obscure the head-rest when applied thereto, a paper-holder carried beneath and obscured by the flexible sheet, the latter having guides for the paper means for securing the flexible sheet upon the head-rest, and a paper-holder beneath and obscured by the flexible sheet, substantially as set forth.

5. A head-rest cover consisting of a flexible sheet adapted to fit over the head-rest and slitted for the passage of a paper sheet, the said flexible sheet having at its sides and ends free flexible portions adapted to depend in skirt-like fashion along the sides and ends of a head-rest and obscure the latter when applied thereto, means for securing the said sheet on a head-rest, and means for supporting a package of paper beneath the slitted sheet substantially as set forth.

6. The combination with a head-rest cover having a slit for the passage of a paper sheet of a bearing-surface at one side of said slit, and a cutter consisting of a frame pivoted approximately at the opposite side of the said slit and having at one end a bar to bind the

paper against said bearing-surface, and provided at its opposite end with a cutter, substantially as set forth.

7. The combination with a flexible cover-sheet having a slit for the passage of paper of a cutter-frame having a cutter at one edge pivoted between its edges and having at its other edge a bar by which to bind the paper during the cutting operation.

8. A cover for head-rests consisting of a flexible sheet provided on its under side with flaps by which it may be secured to a head-rest, and a paper-holder secured to one of the flaps substantially as set forth.

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