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FIG. 1.

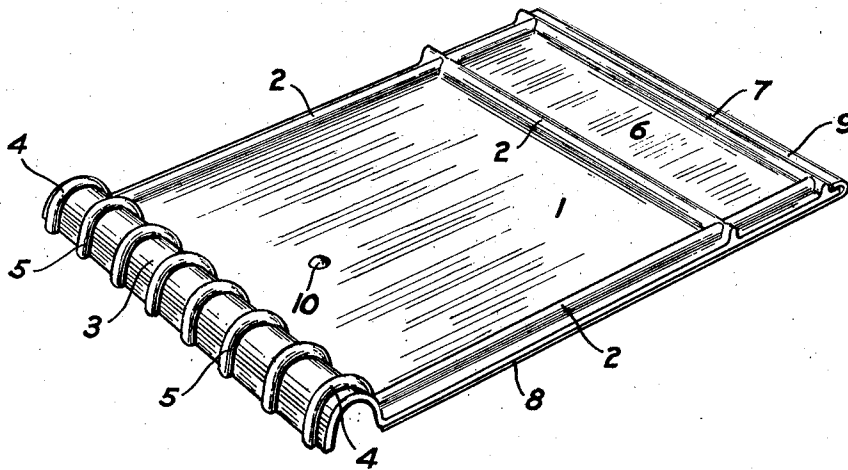
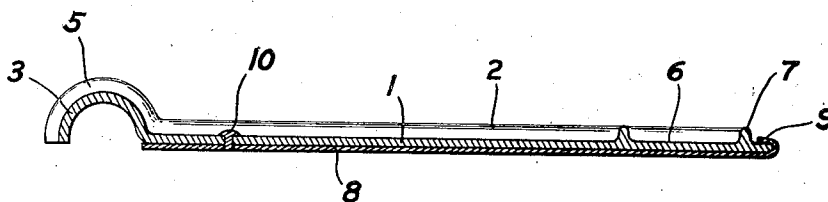


FIG. 2.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. BOOTH, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Canandaigua, in the county of Ontario and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trays for Instruments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to trays for instruments, and consists in the apparatus herein-after described and claimed.

The object of the invention is to provide a tray for instruments, and particularly for dental instruments, which is capable of being made antiseptic, and is of such form as to hold instruments in a suitable position for easy and rapid selection and manipulation, and at an upwardly projecting angle from the surface of the sheet 1.

In the drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of a tray embodying this invention; and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal, vertical section through the middle line of the same.

The tray consists preferably of a sheet 1 of india-rubber, having a suitable bead or containing rim 2 along the side edges and at one end, and at the other end a high rib 3 elevated considerably above the surface of the tray, so that instruments may rest upon said rib and upon said tray, and thus permit the grasping of the instruments without a tendency to fall off or roll off the same. The side ribs 2 are continued at 4, 4 over the surface of the high rib 3. The said high rib 3 may also have small ribs 5 thereon of any suitable number, so as to separate instruments and prevent their rolling against each other.

The tray may have a rearward extension 6 having an upwardly projecting rib or rim 7

around its edges to prevent articles from rolling or sliding off the same.

In case the sheet 1 is made of quite flexible india-rubber, or other suitable material, a stiffening plate 8 is provided, which fits on the bottom of the sheet 1 (Fig. 2). This may be held in place against the sheet 1 by having the rear edge 9 bent over to inclose the rear edge of the sheet 1, and may then be held near its front portion by any suitable means, such as a rivet 10 passing through the sheet 1 and the stiffening plate 8.

What I claim is:—

1. A tray for instruments and the like consisting of a sheet of suitable material and having an upwardly projecting bead around its edge and at one end a high rib for the support of instruments.

2. A tray for instruments and the like consisting of a sheet of suitable flexible material and having an upwardly projecting bead around its edge, and at one end a high rib for the support of instruments, and a stiffening plate for said sheet.

3. A tray for instruments and the like consisting of a sheet of suitable material and having an upwardly projecting bead around its edge and at one end a high rib for the support of instruments, and a stiffening plate beneath said sheet and attached thereto.

4. A tray for instruments and the like consisting of a sheet of suitable material and having an upwardly projecting bead around its edge, and at one end a high rib having upward projections, for the support and separation of instruments.

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