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FACIAL BATH HOOD

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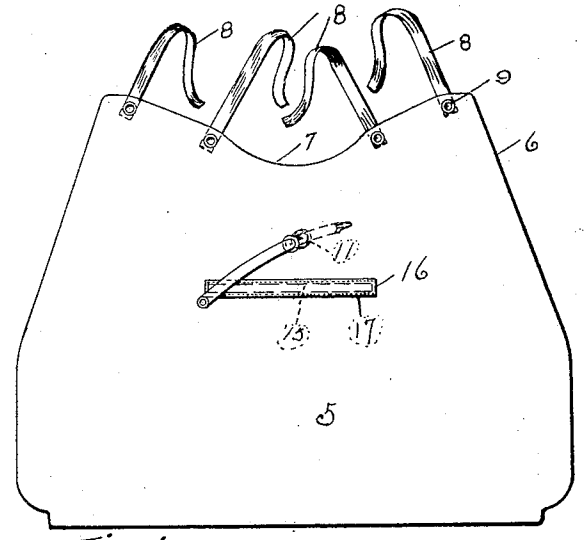


Fig. 1.

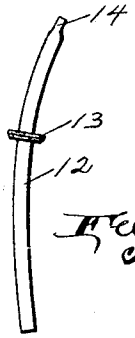


Fig. 2.

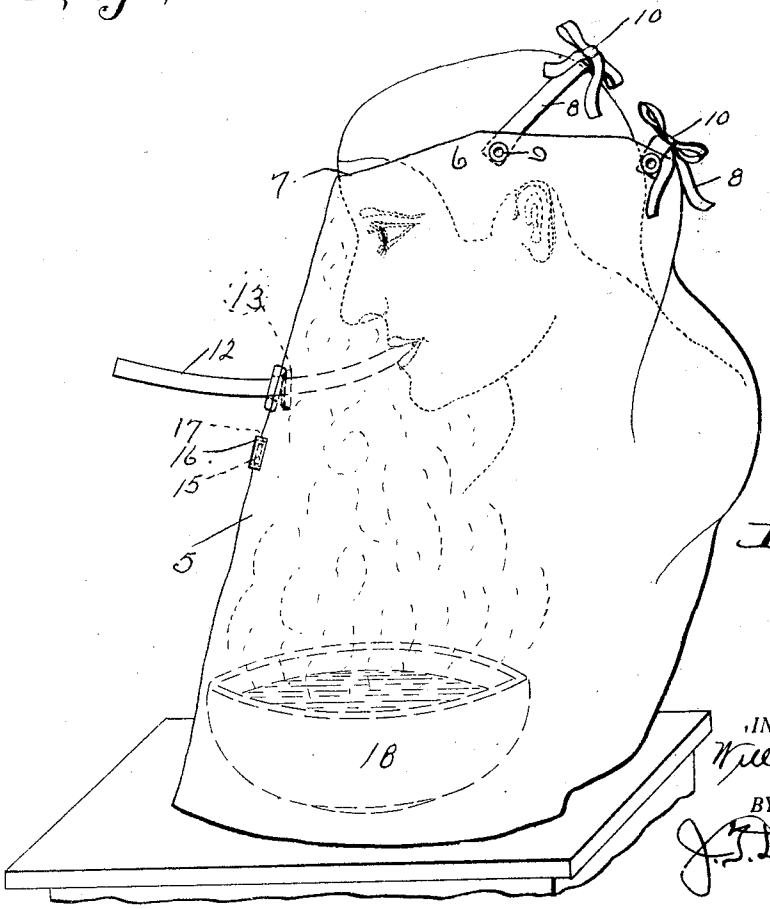


Fig. 3.

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FACIAL-BATH HOOD.

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This invention relates to facial bath hoods, and has for its particular object the provision of a hood so constructed as to be quickly and easily attached to a person's head below the hair-line in such a manner as to completely enclose the face portion of the head and at the same time not disturbing the hair when the hood is in position.

A further object of the invention is to provide a hood with a depending portion to encircle and enclose a receptacle filled with boiling fluid, so that the vapors arising therefrom may have direct contact with the face of the person to which it is attached and at the same time the coiffure of the person is not disturbed.

A further object of this invention is to provide the hood with a breathing tube so as to eliminate the necessity of a person inhaling the vapors arising from said receptacle when wearing said hood.

A still further object of this invention is the provision of a facial hood having a depending receptacle enclosing portion, which portion is provided with a reenforcing or stiffening element to retain said hood at a predetermined distance from the face when the hood is attached to the head of a person, thereby permitting the face portion of a person to derive the full benefit of the vapors arising from the fluid filled receptacle.

A still further object of the invention is the provision of a facial bath hood constructed of water resisting material and equipped with a breathing tube extending through said hood so as to eliminate the necessity of inhaling the vapors arising from the receptacle when the hood is worn by a person.

Heretofore it has been the common practice to steam the face by hot towels or otherwise, to remove the impurities from the pores of the skin and while there have been beneficial results obtained it has been found that the ultimate result was not that which was sought and it is the aim of the present invention to produce this result, i. e., removing all of the dirt or impurities from the pores of the skin of the face by providing a hood, which encloses the face and a receptacle filled with boiling fluid, and the hood being of such construction as to permit the rising vapors to have full and free contact with the face for sufficient time as to cause a sweat, thus causing the impurities to freely flow therefrom down into the receptacle. In the use of many of these facial cleansing processes it has been very difficult to breathe, and to overcome this serious objection applicant has provided a breathing tube, which permits the person wearing the hood to freely breathe the outside air, thus eliminating the necessity of breathing in the vapors arising from the vessel.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in certain novel features, combination and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter more fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawing, and claimed.

In the drawing,

Figure 1 is a plan view of the facial bath hood, as made in accordance with this invention;

Figure 2 is a plan view of the breathing tube; and,

Figure 3 is a perspective view, illustrating the manner in which the hood is attached to a person with the tube in place and the hood surrounding a fluid filled receptacle.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 5 indicates a flat piece of material substantially rectangular in shape, which has one end reduced as at 6, the marginal edge of which has its central portion cut out as at 7, so as to permit this marginal edge to be securely fastened about the forehead of a person.

The marginal edge of the extension 6 is provided with fastening straps 8, which are secured thereto as at 9, by rivets or other suitable fastening means. These fastening straps may be in the form of ribbons or other material suitable for the purpose and are tied and knotted as at 10 of Figure 3 of the drawing. The fastening straps detachably secure the hood in its entirety to a person's head and completely enclose the face portion of the head.

The material 5 may be constructed of any suitable water-proof material adapted for the purpose, and it is provided adjacent its reduced end 6 and centrally of its side edges with an opening 11, through which is extended one end of a breathing tube 12, this breathing tube having secured thereon, a washer or gasket 13, which will limit and adjust the reduced mouthpiece 14 of said tube at a predetermined distance from the mouth of the person wearing the hood.

The material 5 is provided with a stiffening element 15, which is secured transversally thereof by a covering 16 by stitches 17, or the

like, and this stiffening element is located directly beneath the opening 11, and together with the breathing tube 12 space the hood 5 in its entirety at a predetermined distance from the face of the wearer thereof.

The enlarged depending portion of the hood is of sufficient width as to encircle and enclose a fluid carrying receptacle 18, in which receptacle is poured a boiling fluid, the vapors of which rising therefrom, have direct contact with the face portion of a person so as to set up sufficient sweating action as to bring the impurities and foreign matter from the pores of the face of the wearer of the hood.

It can be readily seen that in the use of the device it is only necessary to secure to the head of a person by means of the straps 8 in the manner illustrated in Figure 3, take the reduced portion 14 of the breathing tube 12 in the mouth, this permitting the wearer to inhale outside atmospheric pressure, which eliminates any danger of inhaling the vapors arising from the receptacle, and by virtue of this breathing tube 12 and the stiffening element 15, this hood is held at a predetermined distance from the face of the wearer so as to permit the face portion of the head to receive the full benefits of the vapors arising from the fluid filled receptacle enclosed by the lower depending portion of the hood.

It is to be understood that while the preferred embodiment of this invention is illustrated and described, that certain minor features and changes may be resorted to without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

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

A facial bath device comprising a flexible apron, means to secure the apron to the head, and reinforcing means of substantially the width of the head disposed at the front thereof below the top, whereby the apron proper extends above the reinforcing means and its flexibility is unimpaired at the top, said means being spaced from the sides of the apron whereby free side flaps are provided.

In testimony whereof he hereunto affixes his signature.

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