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Fig. 1 -

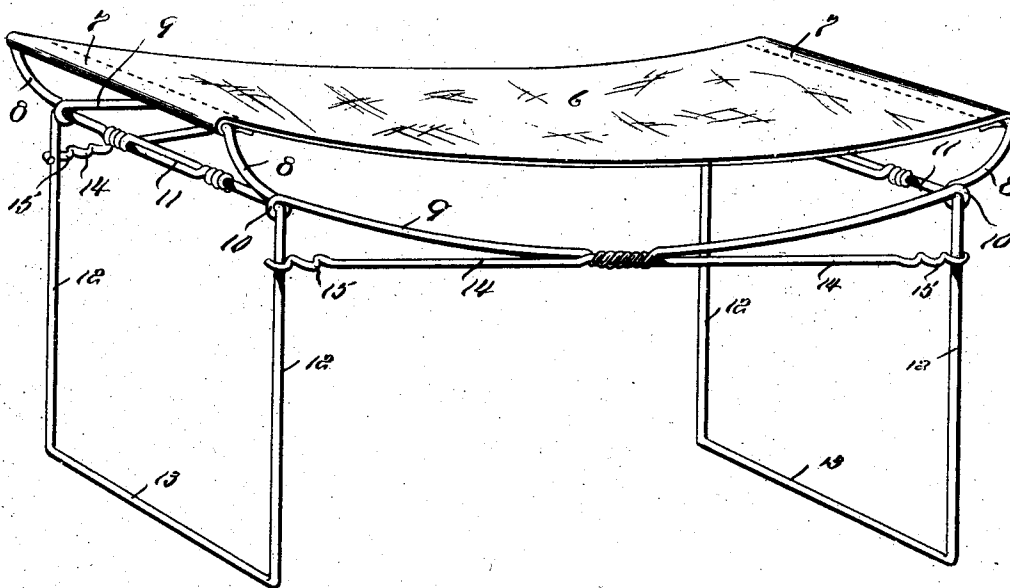
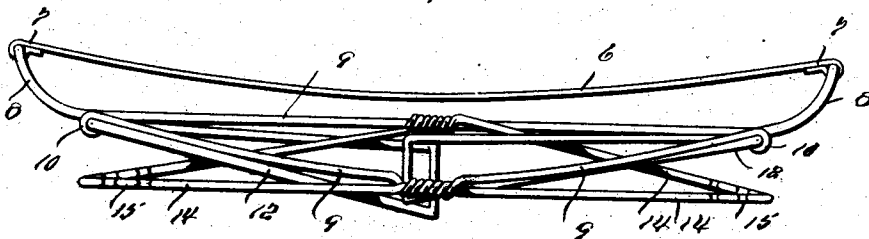


Fig. 2 -



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RUSSELL FILMORE TRUSLOW, a citizen of the United States, residing at Birmingham, in the county of Jefferson and State of Alabama, have invented new and useful Improvements in Head-Rests, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is a head-rest designed particularly for use of travelers on railroad-trains who wish to lie down on a seat. It is made so that it will fold to occupy very little space, so that it may be carried in a bag or otherwise. Being formed mainly of wire, it is light and when set up serves as a convenient head-rest which can be used in railway-cars or any other places where a bed is not available.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device set up. Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same folded or let down.

Referring specifically thereto, 6 indicates a pillow or cushion, which will be made eight or nine inches long and, say, five inches wide and covered with heavy duck or other suitable fabric and having hems 7 formed at the ends, through which pass the cross-bars connecting the upwardly-curved ends 8 of the side bars 9, which form part of the wire frame by which the head-rest is supported. The bars 9, with their upturned portions 8 at the ends, are bowed or curved, as shown, so that a swinging or hammock effect is obtained, the pillow being suspended between the cross-bars at the opposite ends of the side bars. Near their ends the side bars on each side are curled to form eyes 10, through which extend the upper bars 11 of the wire legs, which legs comprise said upper bars and vertical bars 12, connected at the feet by cross-bars 13.

At 14 are indicated spring catch-bars, of which there is one on each side, twisted in with the side bars 9, at or about the middle thereof. These bars 14 are bent in and out at the ends to form notches, as at 15, which are

adapted to engage the legs 12. There are a series of notches, so that the legs may be engaged and held at various angles either in upright or slanting position, so as to vary the height of the head-rest. The spring of the wire forming the bars 14 causes the legs to be engaged in the notches with sufficient force to prevent collapse; but by special effort the bars 14 may be sprung out, which releases the legs from the notches and allows them to be folded in against the under side of the cushion, as indicated in Fig. 2. When so folded, the head-rest forms a thin compact structure which can be packed in small space and conveniently carried. The head-rest can readily be set up by drawing out the legs at the end, where they will catch in the notches 15 and be held in desired position. The supporting-frame of the device is, as stated, made of wire of sufficient stiffness to stand the strain.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A head-rest comprising a pad suspended between the ends of a frame and having folding legs hinged to said ends, and brace-rods secured to the sides of the frame and having a series of notches engageable with the legs.

2. A head-rest comprising a wire frame the side pieces of which are bowed up at the ends, a pad suspended between said ends, wire frames hinged to said side pieces and forming folding legs at each end, and braces comprising pieces of wire secured at the middle to said side pieces and having notches at their free ends engageable with the legs.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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