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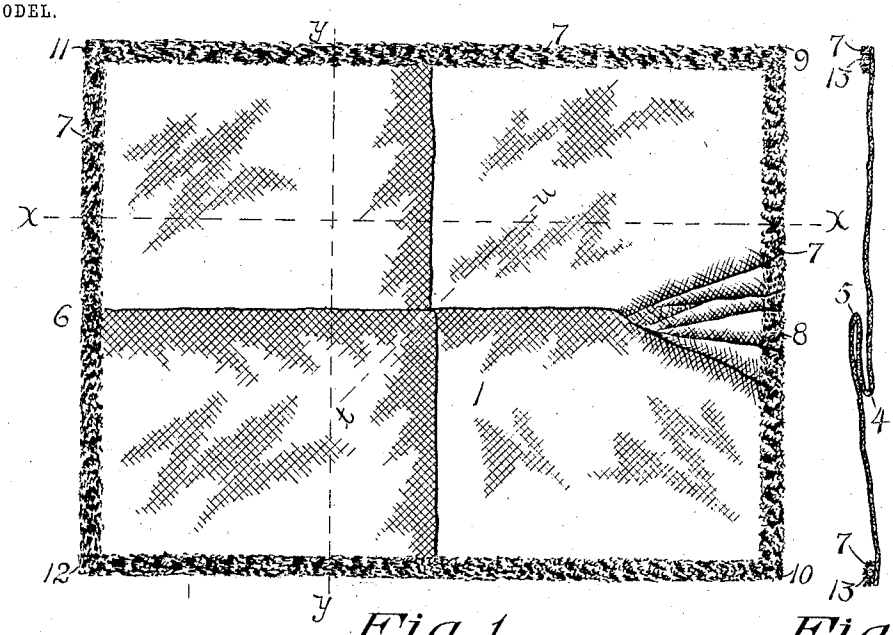


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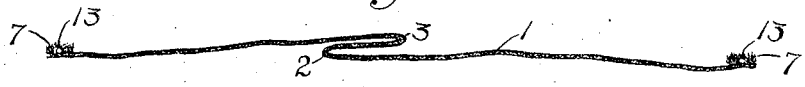


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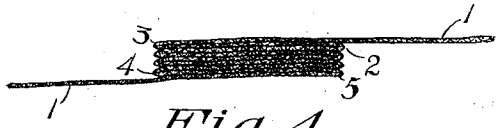


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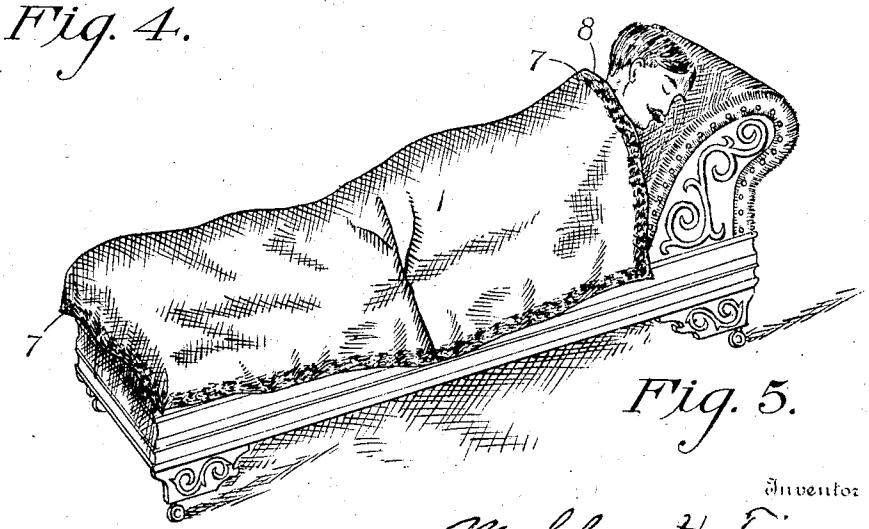


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAHLON H. FINE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Avoca, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bedspreads, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bedclothing; and the objects of the invention are to provide a bedspread having a non-porous middle portion and weighted edges to improve the appearance of such spreads, to improve the form so that they will more completely conform to the body of the user without raising the edges thereof, and other objects, as are herein specified, and pointed out in the claims.

To these ends the invention consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of the parts as herein specified, and more particularly pointed out in the claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 shows a top plan view of a bedspread constructed according to my invention laid open. Fig. 2 shows a cross-section taken on the line *y y* of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a view in cross-section taken on the line *x x* of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 shows a cross-section taken on the line *t u* of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a view showing one of my bedspreads in use.

Similar characters of reference denote like and corresponding parts throughout the several views.

In the drawings, 1 denotes a non-porous fabric—such as rubber gossamer, rubber cloth, oil-cloth, and the like—and it is cut in a rectangular piece and the said rectangular piece folded into a smaller rectangular piece by folds 2 3 and 4 5, the folds 2 3 extending entirely across the spread and the folds 4 5 under the border 7 at 6, but not extending to the border 7 in the vicinity of 8. I prefer to have the border in the vicinity of 8 constructed full, so that the spread is not truly rectangular, but has its one end fuller at 8, so that the end between the corners 9 and 10 is longer than the end between the corners 11 and 12. The border 7 may be constructed from any suitable trimming, lace, or fringe, and is preferably provided with beads or weights 13, made from lead, glass, porcelain, or other suitable material, the said weights being secluded within the fringe material or exposed, according to the preference of the manufacturer, the objects of the said weights being to hold the edges of the spread down more firmly when the spread is in use. The fullness of the spread in the vicinity of 8 is intended to accommodate the shoulder and neck of the user. The border is secured to the edge of the spread by suitable stitching, which at the folded portions extends through the edges of the several overlapping folds, and thereby holds the folds in place.

In using my spread the folds may be smoothed out of the surface near the center, in which condition there is looseness or bagginess of the center part, so that the tendency of the spread is to fit over the person using it in such a way as not to readily slip off, and when campers or soldiers who are obliged to sleep on the ground or floor use the same it forms a practically air-tight covering in consequence of its edges conforming to the ground all around the user, save only at that portion from which the head and neck extend.

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

1. The herein-described bedspread, comprising a central part having a loose, baggy center, suitably folded, one of said folds terminating in a flared gathered portion and a border secured to the spread and holding the folds in place.

2. The herein-described bedspread, comprising a central part having a loose, baggy center, suitably folded, one of said folds terminating in a flared gathered portion and a border secured to the spread and holding the folds in place.

3. In a bedspread of the kind described, a central part made from non-porous material, folds in said material extending to three sides thereof, and a border made from weighted fringe around said bedspread, the said folds extending under and secured to said border at three sides thereof, substantially as specified.

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

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