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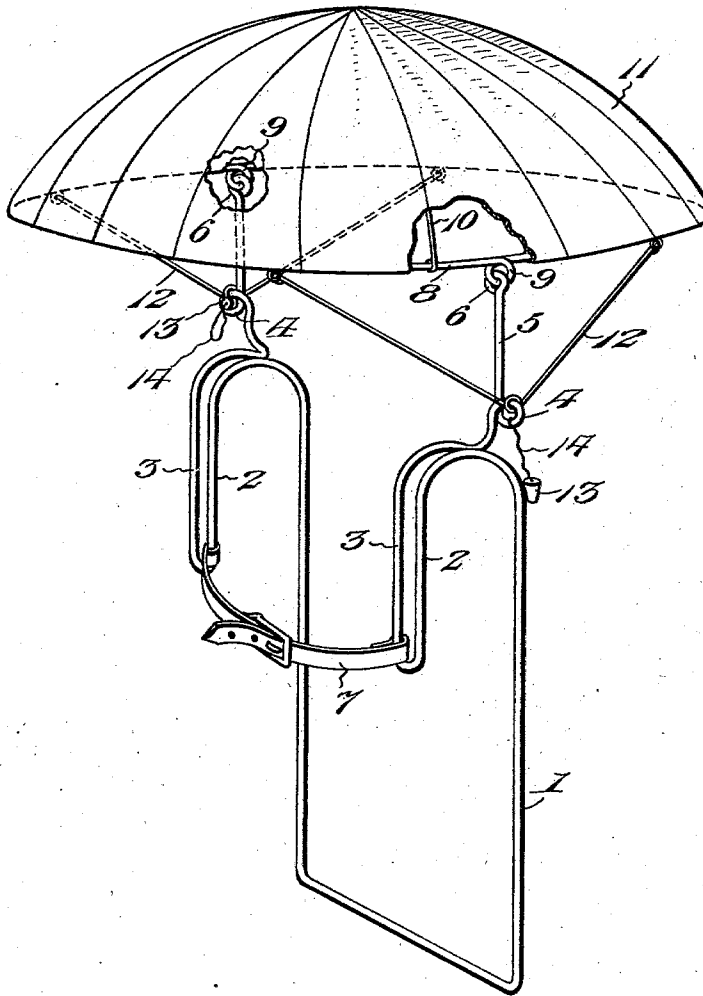
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS W. PINCHBACK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Gibslan-
land, in the parish of Bienville and State of
5 Louisiana, have invented new and useful Im-
provements in Self-Supporting Umbrellas, of
which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to new and useful im-
provements in sunshades; and its object is to
10 provide a portable device of this character
which can be readily carried by a person with-
out interfering with the free use of the arms.

Another object is to provide a shade which
can be readily adjusted to a desired inclina-
15 tion, means being employed for locking the
shade in any position to which it may be ad-
justed.

With the above and other objects in view
the invention consists in providing a yoke so
20 shaped as to fit upon the shoulders of a per-
son, and this yoke has upwardly-extending
arms, to which are pivoted the sides of a sun-
shade of peculiar construction. Flexible
brace-strips are fastened to the sides of the
25 sunshade and are adjustably connected to the
arms of the yoke, and these strips are pro-
vided with means whereby they may be fas-
tened in any position to which they may be
adjusted.

30 The invention also consists in the further
novel construction and combination of parts
hereinafter more fully described and claimed,
and illustrated in the accompanying drawing,
which is a perspective view of my improved
35 sun-shade, the same being broken away to
show the points of connection between the
cover and the arms.

Referring to the drawing by numerals of
reference, 1 is a substantially U-shaped body
40 having its ends bent downward to form hooks
2 of sufficient size to extend over the shoul-
ders of a person. The ends of the hooks are
bent upward, as shown at 3, and these ends
are formed integrally with eyes 4, from which
45 project upwardly-extending arms 5, having
eyes 6 at their extremities.

Strips 7 are connected to the ends of the
hooks 2 and are adapted to extend across the
50 body of the person carrying the sunshade,
and thereby securely fasten the device in po-

sition. A ring 8, formed, preferably, of heavy
wire, is provided at opposite sides with eyes
9, which engage the eyes 6, hereinbefore re-
ferred to. Bows 10, formed of light wire,
are fastened at their ends to opposite sides of
55 the ring 8 and serve to support a flexible
cover 11, formed of any suitable material. A
flexible strip 12 is fastened to each side of the
sunshade at opposite sides of the eye 9 adja-
cent thereto, and this strip extends through
60 the eye 4 and is looped therein, as shown.
The frictional contact of the strips with the
eyes 4 is such as to hold the cover 11 in any
desired position with relation to the arms 5.

It will be understood that when the cover
65 is tilted forward the strips 12 will slide through
the eyes 4. Should it be desired to hold the
cover 11 in adjusted position, so as to prevent
displacement by heavy winds, a plug 13, ar-
ranged at the end of a cord 14, can be insert-
70 ed in each eye 4, so as to bind the strips 12
to said eyes.

The device is extremely simple and inex-
pensive in construction and light and dura-
ble. It can be readily carried by a person
75 without interfering with the movements of
the arms and will afford an efficient shield from
the sun's rays.

In the foregoing description I have shown
the preferred form of my invention; but I am
80 aware that changes may be made in the form,
proportion, and minor details of construction
which may accordingly be resorted to with-
out departing from the spirit or sacrificing
any of the advantages of the invention. 85

Having thus described the invention, what
is claimed as new is—

1. The combination with a cover, and a
frame therefor; of a cover-supporting body-
engaging device formed in a single strip of
90 material and comprising arms pivotally con-
nected to opposite sides of the frame, hooks
integral with the arms and adapted to receive
the shoulders of a person, a U-shaped body
integral with and connecting the hooks, a se-
95 curing-strap connecting the hooks, and stays
adjustably secured to the frame and arms.

2. A device of the character described com-
prising a body portion adapted to extend across
the body of a person, hooks integral with the
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ends of said body portion for engaging the
shoulders of a person, arms integral with the
hooks and having eyes at their ends, a frame
pivotally mounted upon and supported by the
5 arms, a cover upon the frame, flexible stays
secured at their ends to the frame and adjust-
ably mounted within the eyes of the arms,
means for locking the stays in adjusted posi-

tion, and a securing-strap connected to the
hooks. 10

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

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