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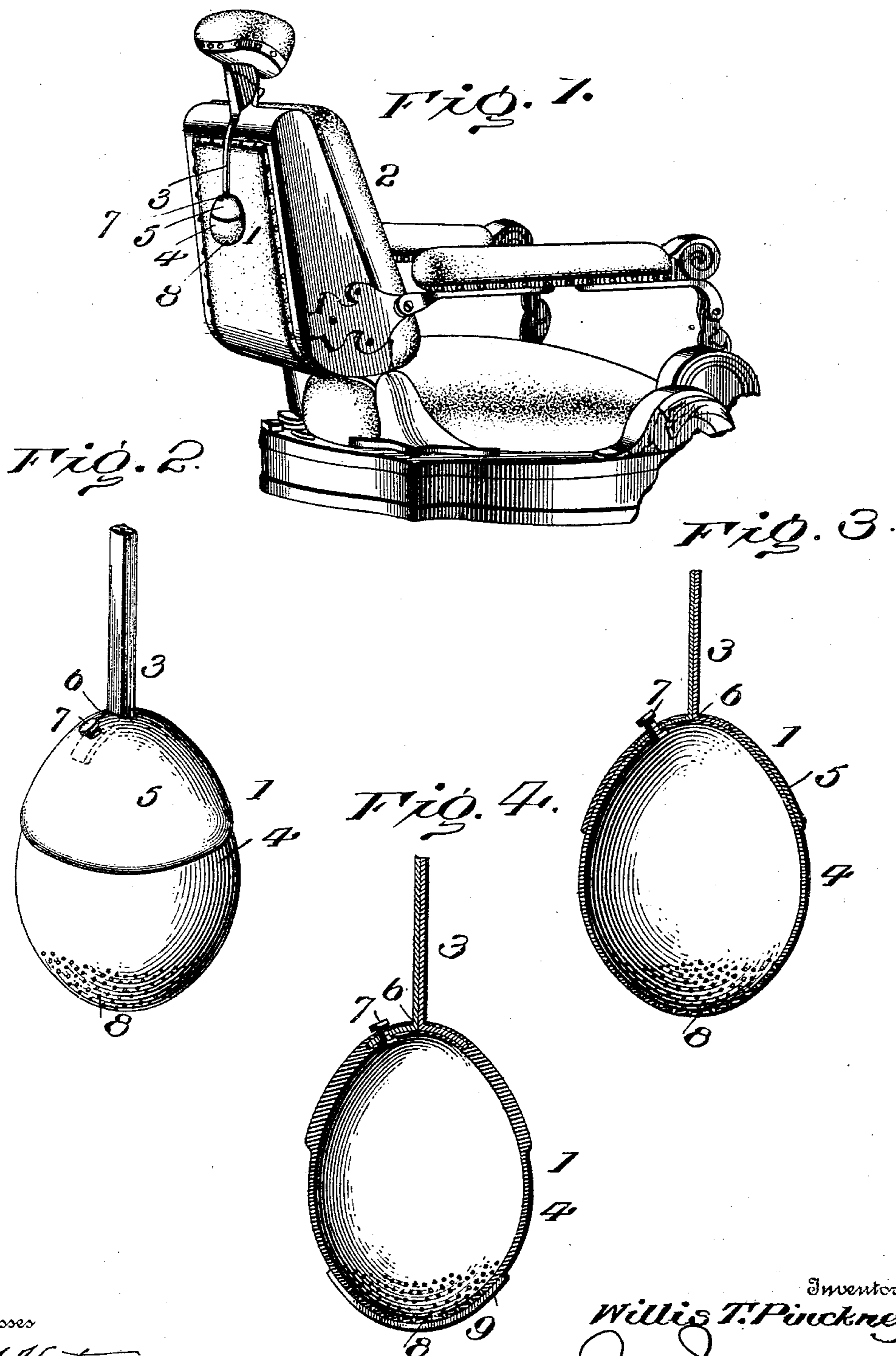
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIS T. PINCKNEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ludington, in the county of Mason and State of Michigan, have invented new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Barbers' or Surgical Chairs, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved attachment for barbers' or surgical chairs, and has for its object to provide a means for moistening the hands of the operator.

A further object of this invention is to provide a device for the purpose referred to that is capable of being attached to a chair without disfiguring the same and at the same time be of the shape and proportions to approximately fit a man's hand.

A further object of this invention is to provide a device of the character referred to provided with means for attaching it to a chair and having means at the lower end to permit the egress of moisture to the palm of the operator's hand when so desired.

Many other objects and advantages will be hereinafter referred to, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming a part of the specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the upper portion of a barber's chair, showing my invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail view of my improved attachment. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section of the same, and Fig 4 is a view of a modified form.

The same numerals refer to like parts in all the figures, wherein—

1 represents the device as a whole, secured to a chair 2 by means of a strap or the equivalent 3. The moistener consists of the bulb 4, approximately elliptical or oval in cross-section, the same having secured over the upper portion a cap 5, which affords a means for not only stiffening the upper end of the bulb, but also for holding the ends of the strap or supporting means 3. The end of the strap or other securing means is first placed upon the upper portion of the bulb 4. It is coated with cement, and then the cap 5 is put in position, the latter having a central perforation 6 for the strap 3 to pass therethrough. It will be understood that the cap 5 is securely cemented to the bulb 4. A screw-covered open-

ing in the top, as shown at 7, is provided, so as to fill the bulb when desired. It will be noted that the eyelet forming the opening 7 is passed through one end of the strap, which is secured between the cap 5 and the bulb 4, and absolutely prevents the supporting means from pulling away from the moistener.

In the lower end of the bulb 4 I arrange a series of very fine openings 8, through which when the bulb is pressed the moisture will pass. The openings will be made tapering, so as to normally retain the liquid until the bulb is operated.

In the construction shown in Fig. 4 the separate cap 5 is dispensed with and the upper end of the bulb is thickened and has embedded therein the lower ends of the supporting means. On the lower and outer side of the bulb and below the openings 8 I may place a thin sheet of some porous material 9, which in some cases may be used in preference to the exposed openings.

While in the modification the variations are slight, the operation is practically the same.

This invention is more especially adapted for barbers' chairs. It is well known that after a barber has lathered the customer's face and passed the razor over it for the first time it is all removed thereby. In going over the face the second time he does not use lather. On the other hand, he usually applies water or some other liquid, which necessitates his going some distance from the chair to moisten his hands, so as to apply it to the face. By the use of my invention it is simply necessary for the operator to grasp the bulb in the palm of his hand, give it a slight squeeze, and he has his hand moistened without stepping from the chair. It will therefore be seen that I have provided a device that is exceedingly compact in arrangement and one that will be entirely unnoticeable to the ordinary patron and entirely out of the way. I desire to have it understood that I do not want to limit myself to the use of any particular liquid in using my invention, in that cologne, bay-rum, witch-hazel, or any of these equivalents could be readily substituted for water.

In certain cases the device can be used advantageously on the operating table or chair,

where it frequently happens that the physician must have his hands moistened.

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

1. A device of the character described having a receptacle for containing liquid, a series of holes in said receptacle for dispensing the liquid therefrom, and means for supporting the device from a chair, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination with an operating-chair, of adjustable means for supporting a hollow receptacle, at the lower end thereof, the receptacle provided with one or a series of tapering egress-openings at the lower end, for the passage of the liquid, substantially as set forth.

3. In a moistening device for a barber's chair, the combination with a receptacle for containing the liquid, of a strap for supporting said device having the ends of said strap spread out on said device, and a cap fitting over the spread-out ends and the receptacle containing the liquid, substantially as set forth.

4. In a moistening device, the combination

with a chair having a perforated liquid-receptacle, a strap for securing said device to the chair, the ends of the strap secured in, or to the top of the liquid-receptacle, and means for preventing the dropping of the liquid through the perforations in the bottom of said receptacle when the device is not in use, substantially as set forth.

5. A removable moistening receptacle for a barber's chair, consisting of a bulb, the lower portion provided with tapered openings for the liquid to pass through, of a cap secured to the upper half of the bulb, of a supporting-strap having its ends spread apart, said ends located and secured between the cap and the bulb, and an inlet-eyelet positioned so as to pass through the cap, one end of the strap, and the bulb, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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