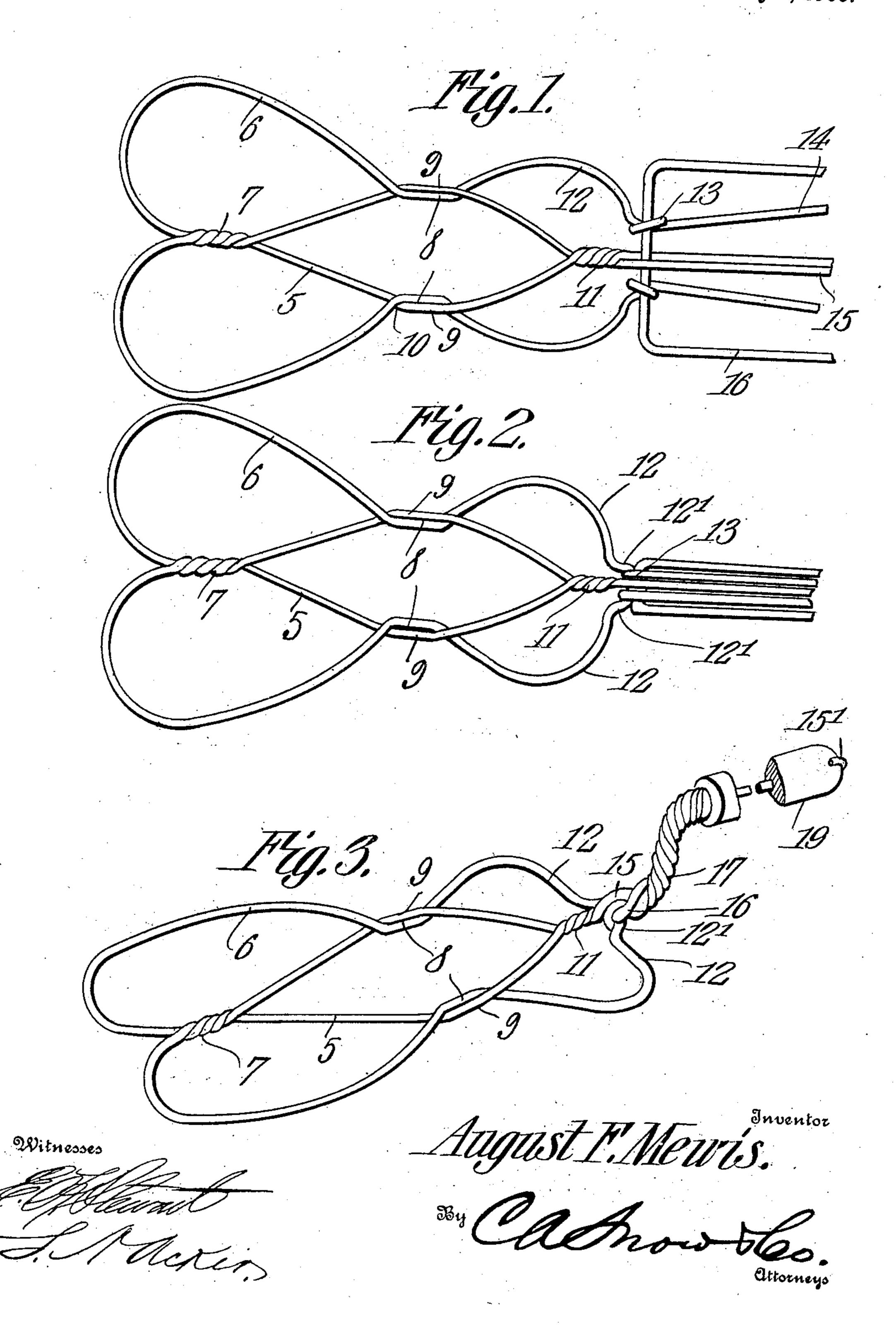
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, August F. Mewis, a 5 of Minnesota, have invented a new and useful Carpet-Rug Beater, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to carpet beaters of that general class shown and described in my 10 former application for patent filed in the United States Patent Office on the 26th day of December 1907 under Serial No. 408,119.

The object of the invention is generally to improve the construction of the carpet beater 15 and to reinforce and strengthen the head thereof by intertwisting the wires constituting the side walls of the inner and outer frames of said head.

Further objects and advantages will ap-20 pear in the following description, it being understood that various changes in form, proportions and minor details of construction may be resorted to within the scope of the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification: Figure 1 is a plan view showing the manner of constructing the carpet beater, the arms of the binding wire being spaced apart to show the manner of as-30 sembling the same. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the supporting arms and binding wire in assembled position preparatory to intertwisting the same. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the beater complete.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in all of the figures of the drawings.

The improved carpet beater forming the subject matter of the present invention com-40 prises a beating head consisting of inner and outer loops or frames 5 and 6, said frames being preferably formed of spring metal so as to present a yieldable bearing surface for engagement with the carpet or other material 45 being operated upon.

loop or frame 6 and thence extended inwardly and intertwisted at 7 and thence ex-50 tended laterally to produce the inner longitudinal loop or frame 5.

The wire forming the side walls of the outer loop 6 are curved inwardly and bent to produce oppositely disposed parallel inter-55 mediate portions 8, the wires forming the side walls of the inner frame 5 being also bent |

to produce parallel intermediate portions 9 which bear against the portions 8 of the citizen of the United States, residing at outer frame 6, as shown, thereby to reinforce Fairmont, in the county of Martin and State | and strengthen the head and prevent spread- 60 ing of the wires.

Attention is here called to the fact that the side walls of the inner frame at the straight portions 9 are provided with shoulders 10 which engage corresponding shoulders 65 formed on the straight portions 8 of the outer frame so that when the wires are intertwisted at 7 and 11, said shoulders will interengage and prevent accidental longitudinal movement of the wires constituting 70 the head.

The wire strands forming the side walls of the outer frame 6 are curved rearwardly and inwardly at 12 and thence bent longitudinally in the direction of the length of the 75 head to produce offset portions or shoulders 12', the wire strands at the shoulders being coiled or twisted to form registering eyes 13 and the terminals of the strands extended longitudinally to produce arms 14.

The wire strands constituting the inner frame 5 are extended longitudinally at the intertwisted portion 11 to produce terminal arms 15 one of which is longer than the other, so that the terminal thereof can be extended 85 through the handle 19 and clenched in engagement therewith, as indicated at 15'.

As a means for retaining the arms 14 and 15 in assembled position there is provided a binding wire 16, the intermediate portion of 90 which extends through the registering eyes 13 and between the arms 15 of the inner frame, the terminals of the binding wire being extended longitudinally for contact with the arms 14. When the several arms are 95 thus assembled, said arms are intertwisted to produce a handle supporting shank 17 having an intermediate portion thereof offset at 18 for engagement with the handle 19.

Attention is here called to the fact that 100 the binding wire 16 not only serves to rein-The strands of wire forming the head force and strengthen the shank but also proper are first bent to produce the outer | serves to clamp the eyes 13 in engagement with the intermediate portion of the arms 15, which latter being intertwisted with the 105 arms of the frame 6 and binding wire 16, forms a firm rigid shank, while at the same time permitting the requisite degree of flexibility of the beating head to insure effective service without danger of breakage.

It will also be noted that by passing the side walls of the inner loop or frame over the

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side walls of the outer loop or frame the outer frame is effectually prevented from spread- $10^{\circ}$ .

Having thus described the invention what

5 is claimed is:

1. A carpet beater comprising a head formed of inner and outer frames, the walls of the outer frame being curved rearwardly and inwardly and thence bent in the direc-10 tion of the length of the head to produce offset portions, the side walls of the inner frame being passed around the side walls of the outer frame and intertwisted at a point between the side walls of the outer frame, 15 there being registering eyes formed in said offset portions, arms extending longitudinally from the inner frame at said intertwisted portion, and a binding wire extending through the registering eyes and be-20 tween the arms, said binding wire and arms being intertwisted to produce a handle sup-

porting shank. 2. A carpet beater comprising a head formed of mating strands of wire having 25 their intermediate portions bent to produce an outer frame and thence intertwisted and extended laterally to form a longitudinally disposed inner frame, the strands forming the

outer frame being provided with registering 30 eyes terminating in longitudinally disposed arms, and the ends of the wire strands forming the inner frame being intertwisted and extended between the eyes to produce corre-

sponding longitudinal arms, a binding wire passing through the eyes and between the 35 longitudinal arms of the inner frame, said binding wire and arms being intertwisted to form a handle supporting shank, the wire strands forming the side walls of the inner and outer frame being provided with inter- 40 mediate straight portions arranged to bear against each other and defining interengag-

ing shoulders.

3. A carpet beater comprising a head formed of strands of wire having their inter- 45 mediate portions bent to produce an outer frame and then intertwisted and extended laterally to form a longitudinally disposed inner frame, the side walls of the inner and outer frames being straight and parallel 50 throughout a portion of their extent and having their straight parallel portions engaging one with the other, there being interengaging shoulders at the ends of the said straight parallel portions of the side walls of 55 the frame, and a handle supporting shank extending longitudinally from one end of the head.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature 60

in the presence of two witnesses.

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