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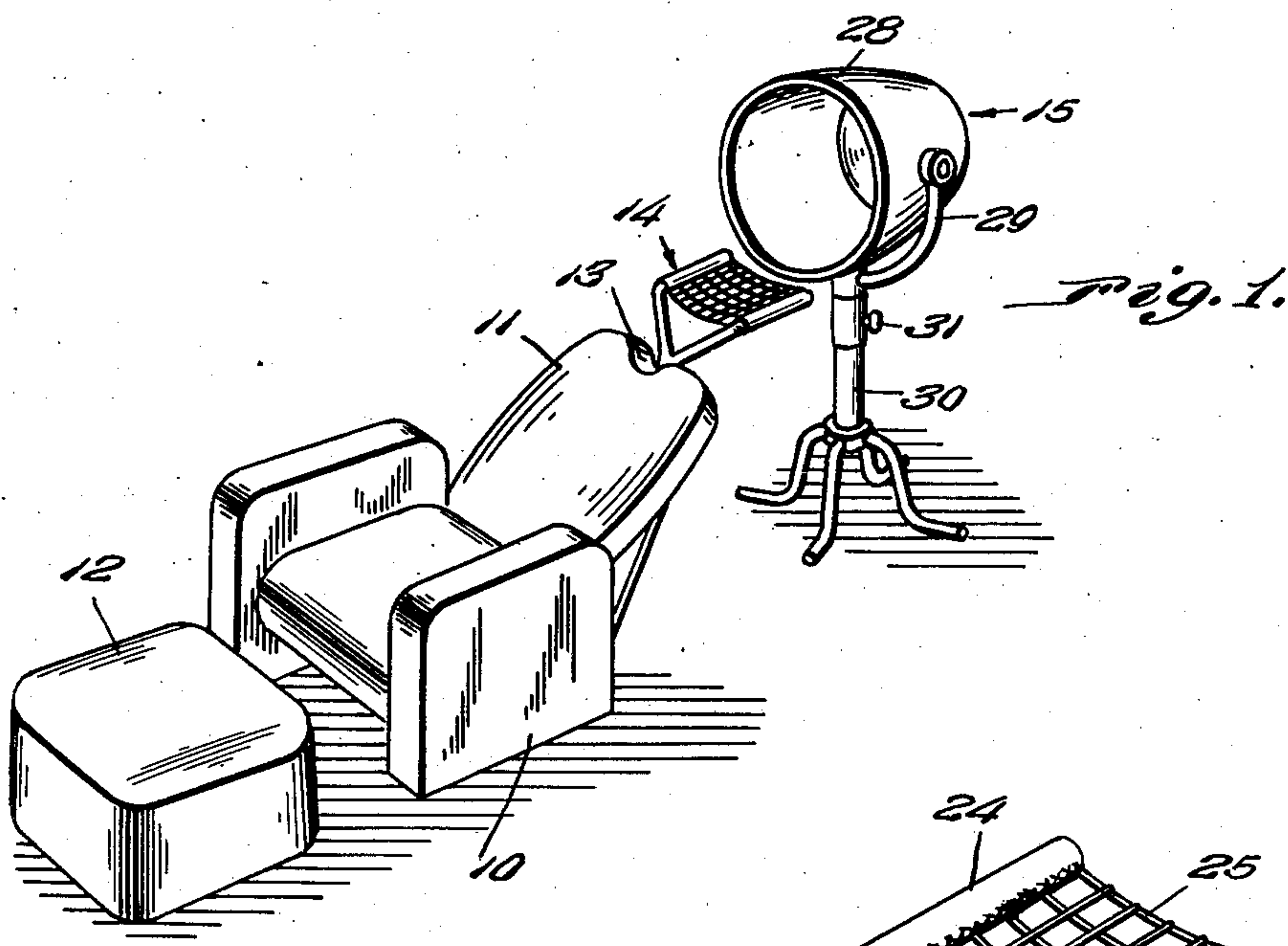


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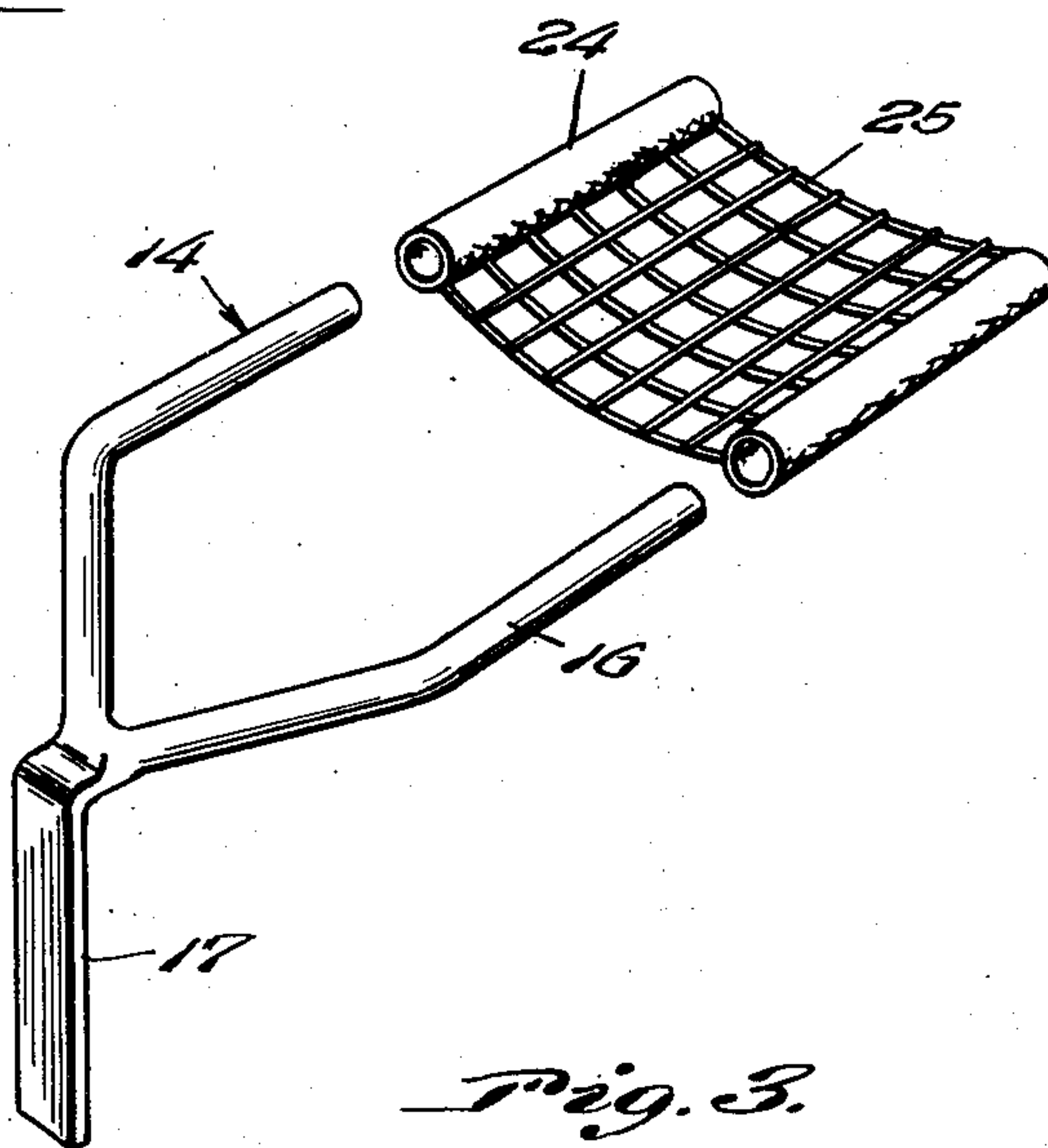


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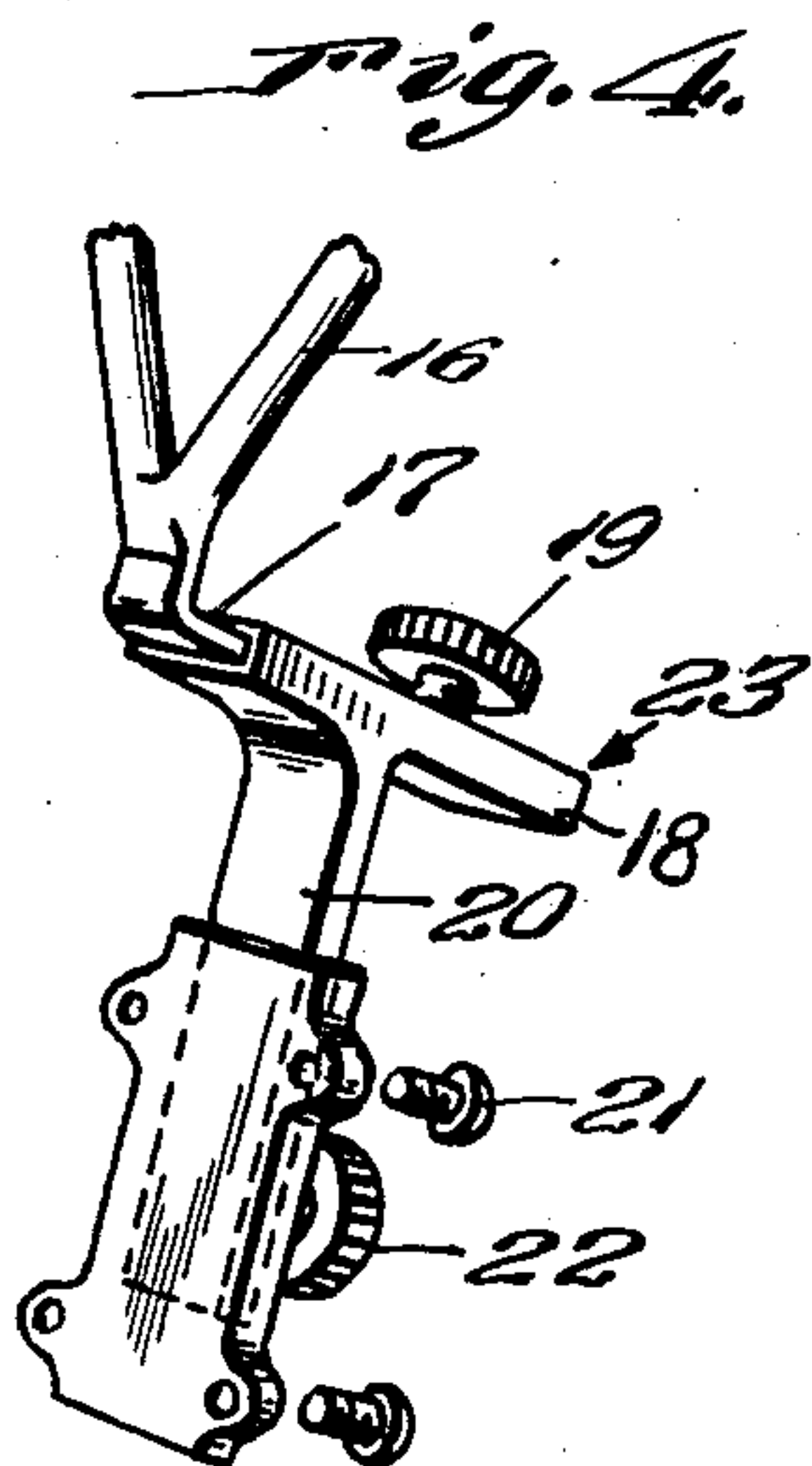
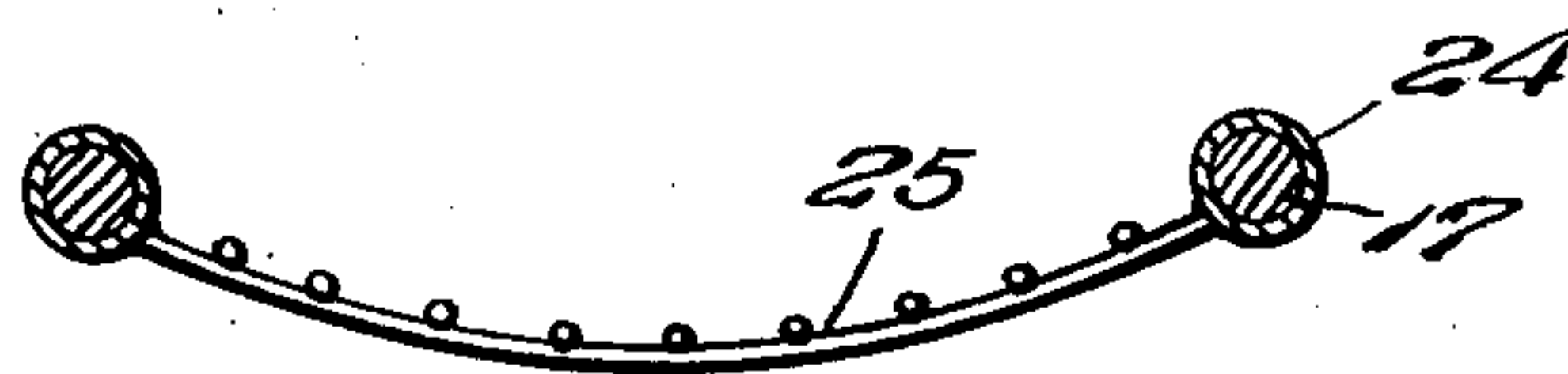


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My invention relates to a device for drying hair after washing and is particularly intended for chairs used in beauty parlors for such purpose.

This invention has for one of its purposes to afford the person treated a more restful and comfortable posture after having had the hair washed and during the subsequent drying, than what is now the case in beauty parlors in general, where the person has to sit upright with the drier above the head.

With the present device, on the other hand, the person treated reclines in a reclining position on a chaise longue or easy chair having a hinged back support and the drier behind almost horizontal, so that the head may be almost entirely enclosed thereby.

This and other features and advantages will be understood from the following description with the aid of the attached drawing.

One embodiment of my invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the chair with head rest and drier in position for a person to comfortably recline while drying the hair.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the head rest.

Figure 3 is a cross section of the interchangeable net structure forming the actual head support.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of the vertical and horizontal adjusting device for attaching the head rest to a chair.

In the drawing like reference numerals refer to like details in the different figures.

Numeral 10 denotes a comfortable chair for reclining having a back support 11 hinged to the chair for different angular adjustments best suitable to a person taking the treatment. The chair is completed by a foot rest 12 separate or fixed.

To the back rest 11, which preferably has a shallow depression or "cut-out" 13 for the person's neck, is secured the head rest 14 and behind the head rest the drier 15 is placed. This is best seen in Figure 1. The head rest 14 consists of a fork member having two parallel prongs 16 substantially circular in cross section and having their terminal portions converging at one end. Preferably integrally formed with fork member at the juncture of the parallel prongs 16 is a substantially flat shank 17, the axis of which is substantially at right angles to the axis of the prongs. The numeral 18 represents a substantially rectangular guide member that slidably receives the shank 17, and a clamp screw or the like 19 threadingly engaging said guide member is adjustable to selectively bear against the shank. Projecting

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outwardly from the center of guide 18 is an integral, right angular extension or tongue 20 that slidably engages a bracket 23 substantially rectangular in cross section. This bracket 23 is removably secured by screws or the like 21 to some suitable supporting structure, such as the rear side of the back rest 11. A clamp screw 22 threadingly engaging bracket 23 is adjustable to selectively bear against tongue 20 for adjustment of the tongue relative to said bracket. Frictionally engaging the free ends of prongs 16 is a pair of preferably cloth tubes 24 between which there is stretched a flexible and washable net 25 which constitutes the head rest for the device.

The chair and head rest are here shown in about proper position to permit a person to stretch out and recline full length with the head very comfortably on the rest 14. With the aid of the adjustment means the device can thus be adjusted to any desired height, length and angularity and secured therein by the clamp screws 19 and 22.

Behind the chair is placed the drying apparatus 15 consisting of a large drum 28 carried in a fork 29 for swinging in a vertical plane and telescopically carried on a stand 30 with a clamp screw 31 affording any desired adjustment up and down.

The drying apparatus 15 is placed near enough for the person resting and the drum horizontal or slightly inclined, so that he may insert the head into the drum for the complete circulation of hot air through the hair.

It is to be understood that the invention as here disclosed is not limited to the details here described and shown but that the same may be varied without departing from the spirit of the invention as defined by the subjoined claims.

I claim:

1. A head rest and support therefor said head rest including a bifurcated member having a laterally projecting shank portion and a netting having cloth tubes carried by the furcations of said member, said support including a guide member slidably receiving said shank portion, a set screw carried by said guide member and bearing against the shank portion to retain the latter adjusted relative to said guide member, a tongue fixed to and projecting laterally from said guide member, an anchor bracket slidably receiving said tongue, and a further set screw carried by said bracket bearing against said tongue for holding the tongue adjusted with respect to the bracket.

2. A head rest comprising a bifurcated member having an elongated lateral projection, means for

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