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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

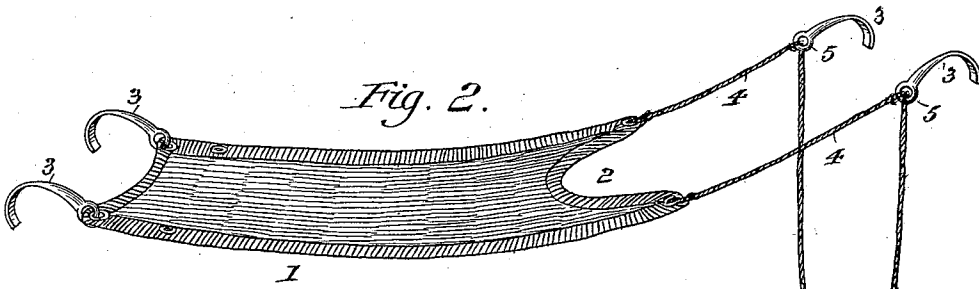
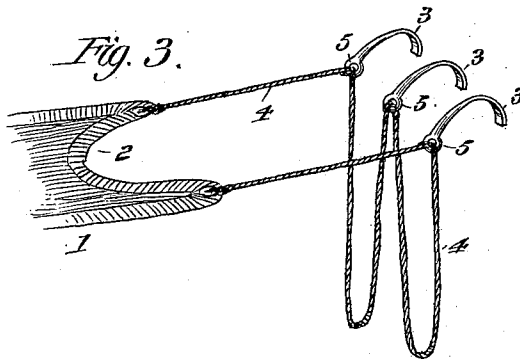


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERBERT MORLEY SMALL, of Baldwinville, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Hammock, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to an improvement in hammocks, and has special reference to a hammock so constructed that it can be slung from and used with the backs of the seats of ordinary railway passenger-cars.

The invention has for its object to provide a means whereby passengers who are obliged to travel in ordinary passenger-cars at night may be able to sleep with ease and comfort.

The invention consists in a hammock constructed as hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 illustrates the invention in use in an ordinary passenger-car. Fig. 2 is a view of a hammock constructed in accordance with this invention, and Fig. 3 represents the end of a hammock provided with a modified form of attachment and legs and feet support.

In carrying out this invention I provide a hammock constructed with the main portion 1 of suitable size and made of netting, canvas, or other suitable material. The main portion 1 is preferably formed of an oblong square shape and curved to form a recess at one end, as at 2, to accommodate the legs of a person hanging over the end. One end of the main portion 1 is provided with hooks 3, adapted to engage the upper edge of the back of a car-seat or other support, and the other curved end is provided with a rope, 4, extending through the eyes 5 of a pair of hooks, 3, adapted to engage the upper edge of the back of a car-seat or other support similar to the first-named hooks 3. By means of this construction the main portion 1 may be swung between the backs of two adjoining car-seats, the hooks 3 hooking over the top edge of the backs of the seats, and the rope 4 extending down through eyes 5 of the hooks and forming a depending loop, the feet of the occupant of the hammock resting in the loop, and the rope 4 moving through the eyes 5 of the hooks to accommodate the loop to the length of the legs hanging over the curved end 2 of the main portion 1.

Instead of the rope 4 forming a single loop it may extend through the eye 5 of a third hook, 3, thereby forming two loops and supports for the feet and legs. The loops of the rope in this case will also accommodate themselves to the length of the legs of the person occupying the hammock, the rope 4 moving through the eyes of the hooks. In this way a comfortable and easy reclining position may be secured and the occupant of the hammock enabled to obtain rest.

Instead of employing the hammock as shown in Fig. 1, the occupant may recline practically at full length, by attaching the hooks on the rope 4 to the upper edge of the back of the adjacent seat after the back has been turned over. In this case the rope 4 will have been drawn through the eyes 3, thereby drawing up the loop, and the feet and lower portion of the legs of the occupant of the hammock will rest on the car-seat.

While the invention has been set forth as applied to car-seats, it is obvious that the hammock may be employed in other situations where suitable supports are afforded.

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

1. A hammock consisting in a seat and back portion, hooks at the upper end of the back portion, a looped rope secured at its ends to the forward corners of the seat portion, and adjustable hooks on the parallel parts of the rope, the looped part of the rope forming a foot-rest, substantially as set forth.

2. A hammock constructed with supporting-hooks at one end, and having at its other end a curved recess, and supporting-hooks with a rope passing through eyes in the shanks of the hooks and attached at its ends to the corners of the recessed end of the hammock, substantially as shown and described.

3. A hammock constructed with main portion 1, having curved recess 2, supporting-hooks 3 at one end and the looped rope 4 with its ends secured at the recessed end of the main portion 1, and the supporting-hooks 3, having eyes 5, through which rope 4 passes, substantially as shown and described.

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