

Title (en)

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STEAMING ON FORMS HOSIERY ARTICLES AND THE LIKE

Title (de)

VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNG ZUM DÄMPFEN AUF FORMEN VON STRUMPFWAREN UND DERGLEICHEN

Title (fr)

PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DE VAPORISAGE SUR FORMES D'ARTICLES DE BONNETERIE ET ANALOGUE

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO0171082A1] The apparatus is formed by a carousel (1), rotatable about a central axis (2) with respect to a base frame (3), to which couples of forms (4) are connected radially having anatomical shape as the desired article to steam. The carousel moves through a loading station (5) of the stockings that are going to be steamed on the forms (4), a station (6) of fitting the stockings on the forms; a steaming station (7), having steam supplying means; an air drying station (8) and an unloading station (9) of the steamed articles. The carousel (1) is formed by a tubular body (10) having a cylindrical wall (11), pivotally connected to the base frame (3). The wall (11) has the first function to rotate as a solid structure of the carousel (1), and holds also radially the forms (4) cantilever-like without that they rest on any base provided below. A steaming chamber (20) is provided that has a U-shaped cross section, with an opening (21) directed radially towards the axis (2) and having seals (22) on it. The chamber (20) can move from an open position that allows the free rotation of the forms to a closed position surrounding the forms (4) and touching against the wall (11) that has the function of providing a closure wall and a seal.

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