

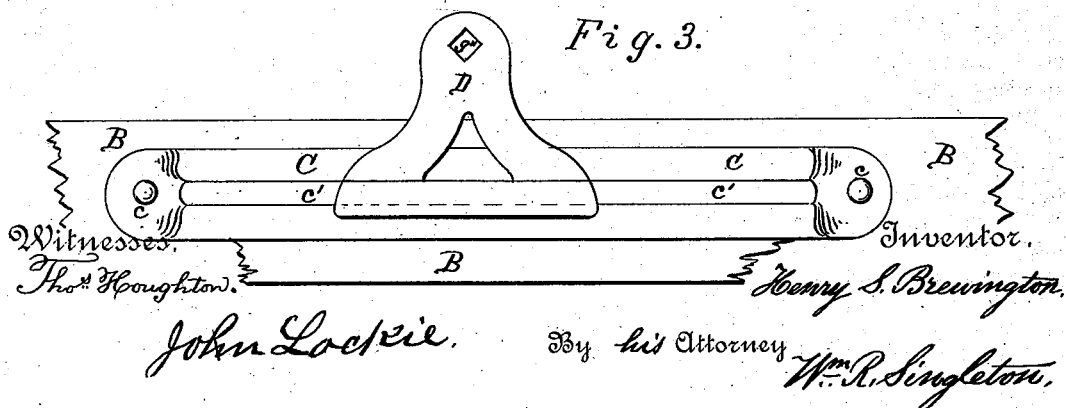
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY S. BREWINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Wash-Boards, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain improvements in wash-boards, which will be hereinafter more fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the wash-board with the improvement attached. Fig. 2 is an enlarged section of a part of Fig. 1 on line *x x*. Fig. 3 is a partial side view of one of the legs, showing the grooved plate and a bracket which sustains one arm of the roller-frame.

A is an ordinary wash-board, having a corrugated plate, A'. On the outside of each leg B of the frame of the wash-board A is a grooved plate, C, secured at each end thereof by a screw, *c*. The plate C has a dovetailed groove, *c'*, as seen in Fig. 2.

D D are brackets, as shown in section, Fig. 2, and the side view, Fig. 3. On the inside of these brackets D, at the base, are dovetailed projecting slides *d*, which are neatly fitted in the grooves *c'* in the side plates, C. The roller-frame E has two arms, *e e*, between which is a roller, F, having a corrugated surface, of any suitable material—such as a sheet of india-rubber or similar material—placed around a wooden roller. This roller F rotates freely by

its shaft *f*, which is journaled in the arms *e e*. In the lower ends of arms *e e* are holes *e' e'*, through which are entered the pins G, which are made as shown in Fig. 2—viz., with a head, *g*, cylindrical part *g'*, square part *g''*, and screw-thread *g'''*. The pin G is passed through the hole *e'* of arm *e*, and the square part *g''* is inserted in a square hole in the bracket D, and then the pin is secured by the nut on the screw *g'''*. The arms are free to revolve on the pin G, so that the roller can be thrown over in front of the wash-board to place thereon the clothes to be washed. The slides *d*, on the inside of the brackets D, which sustain the roller-frame, can be moved freely to and fro in the grooves. The roller thus carried when traveling over the clothes to agitate them can be pressed down to squeeze the water out of them, just as the hands are employed, and when the clothes are duly cleansed, the roller is used as a squeezer to force all the water from them.

I claim—

In an improvement for wash-boards, the combination of the roller F, sustained in the arms *e e*, the handle E, the brackets D, having dovetail slides *d*, and the grooved plates C, attached to the sides of a wash-board, as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I hereto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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