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Washstand.

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Fig. 1.

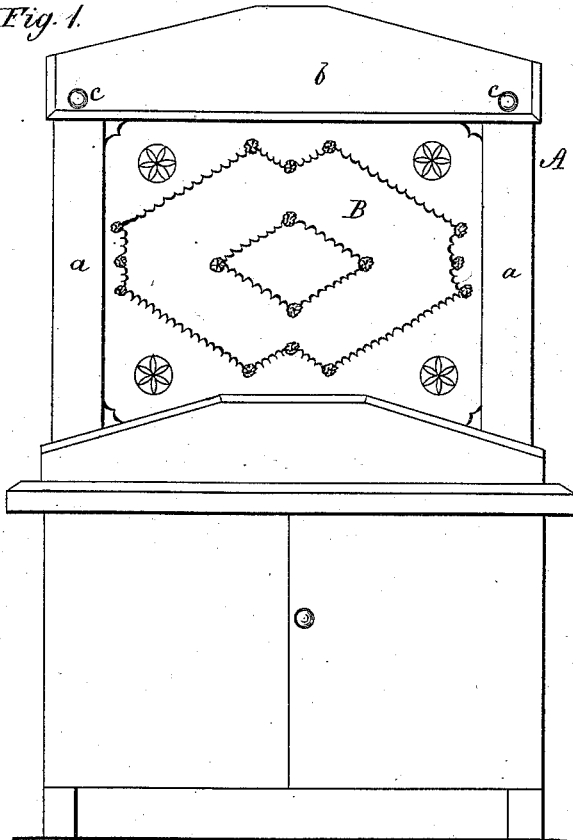


Fig. 2.

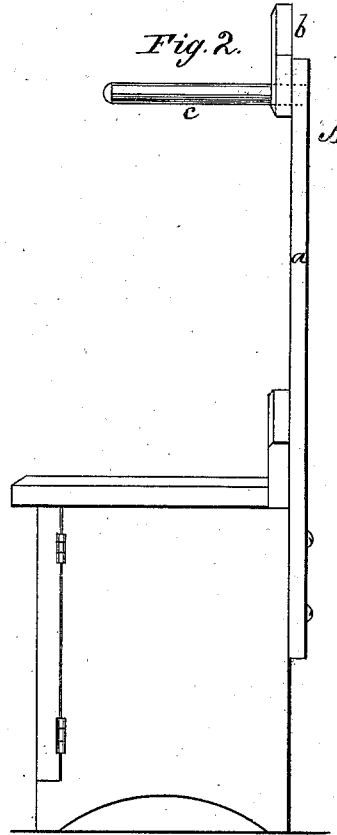


Fig. 3.

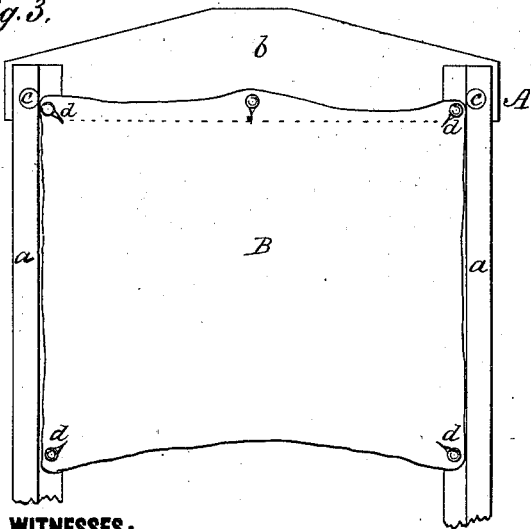
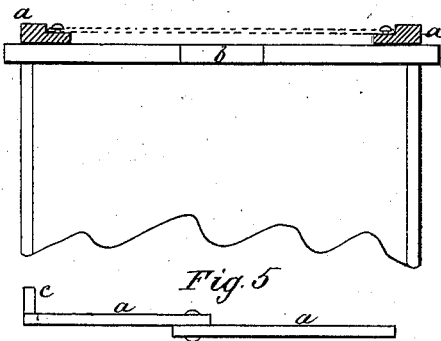


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVEMENT IN WASH-STANDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM E. BUSER, of Chillicothe, in the county of Ross and State of Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Attachment for Wash-Stands; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention is an improvement in that class of wall-protectors which are attached to the backs of wash-stands or bureaus; and it relates to the specific construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the attachment and a wash-stand, to which it is applied. Fig. 2 is an end elevation. Fig. 3 is a rear view of the attachment. Fig. 4 is a cross-section of the uprights of the frame. Fig. 5 represents a modification of the uprights.

The aforesaid frame A consists of two upright parallel bars, *a a*, and a horizontal cross-bar, *b*, which connects their upper ends. The frame is attached to the back of the wash-stand by means of screws, which pass through the lower ends of bars *a a*, so that the frame may be readily detached, when required. Arms or pins *c c* project forward from the corners of the frame A, and serve as supports for towels or other articles of the toilet. Said arms or pins serve as the only means for attaching the cross-bar *b* to the uprights *a a*, by passing through the same, as shown in dotted lines, Fig. 2.

The piece of cloth B, having a suitable design worked in the center thereof, fills the space between the bars *a a* and *b* of the frame, and is attached to the back of the same by fixed studs or buttons *b*, the edges of the fabric

being provided with eyelets or button-holes, to adapt it to be detached from the studs when soiled, or when it is desired to substitute another fabric of a different color or ornamentation.

The uprights *a a* are rabbeted, as shown in Fig. 4, and the studs or buttons are set in the recess thus formed, so that the fabric is brought more nearly in the same plane with the back of the wash-stand, and nearer the front of the wash-stand, while the studs project but little, if at all, from the bars *a a*.

The fabric performs the function of a splasher, and serves to protect the wall, against which the wash-stand is placed, from discoloration or other injury by water that may be accidentally splashed or spattered from the bowl in the act of washing.

I show in Fig. 5 a modification of the uprights *a a*, the same being constructed on the principle of a lazy-tongs, so that the splasher may be elevated or lowered out, as occasion requires.

I do not claim, broadly, a splasher attached to the frame of a wall-protector by means of studs.

Having thus described my invention what I claim as new is—

The uprights *a a*, attached to the wash-stand, and provided with rabbets along their inner sides, the studs *d*, fixed in said rabbets, the top connecting-bar *b*, and attaching-pins *c c*, and the detachable splasher B, having eyelets to adapt it to be secured to the studs, and thereby to the frame, all as shown and described.

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