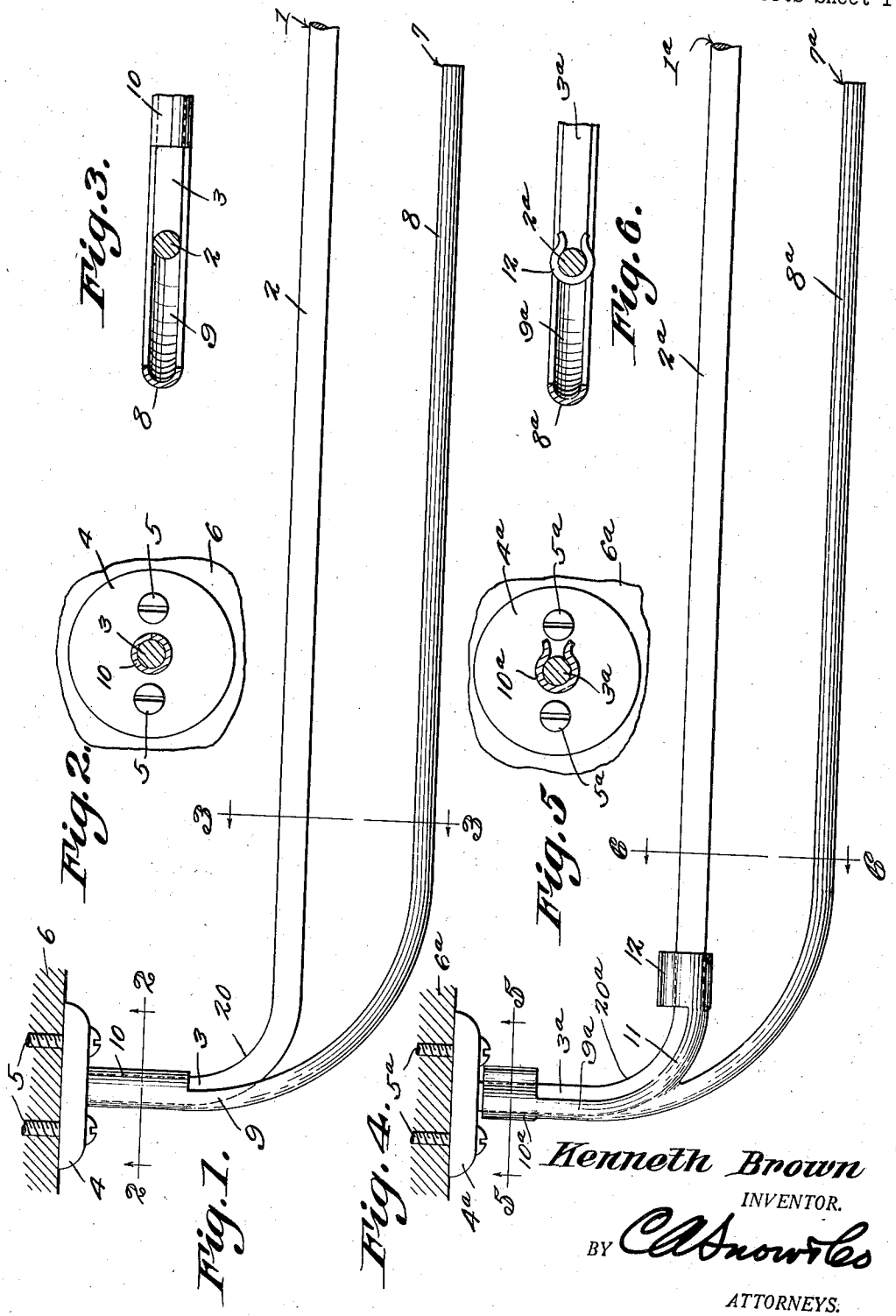
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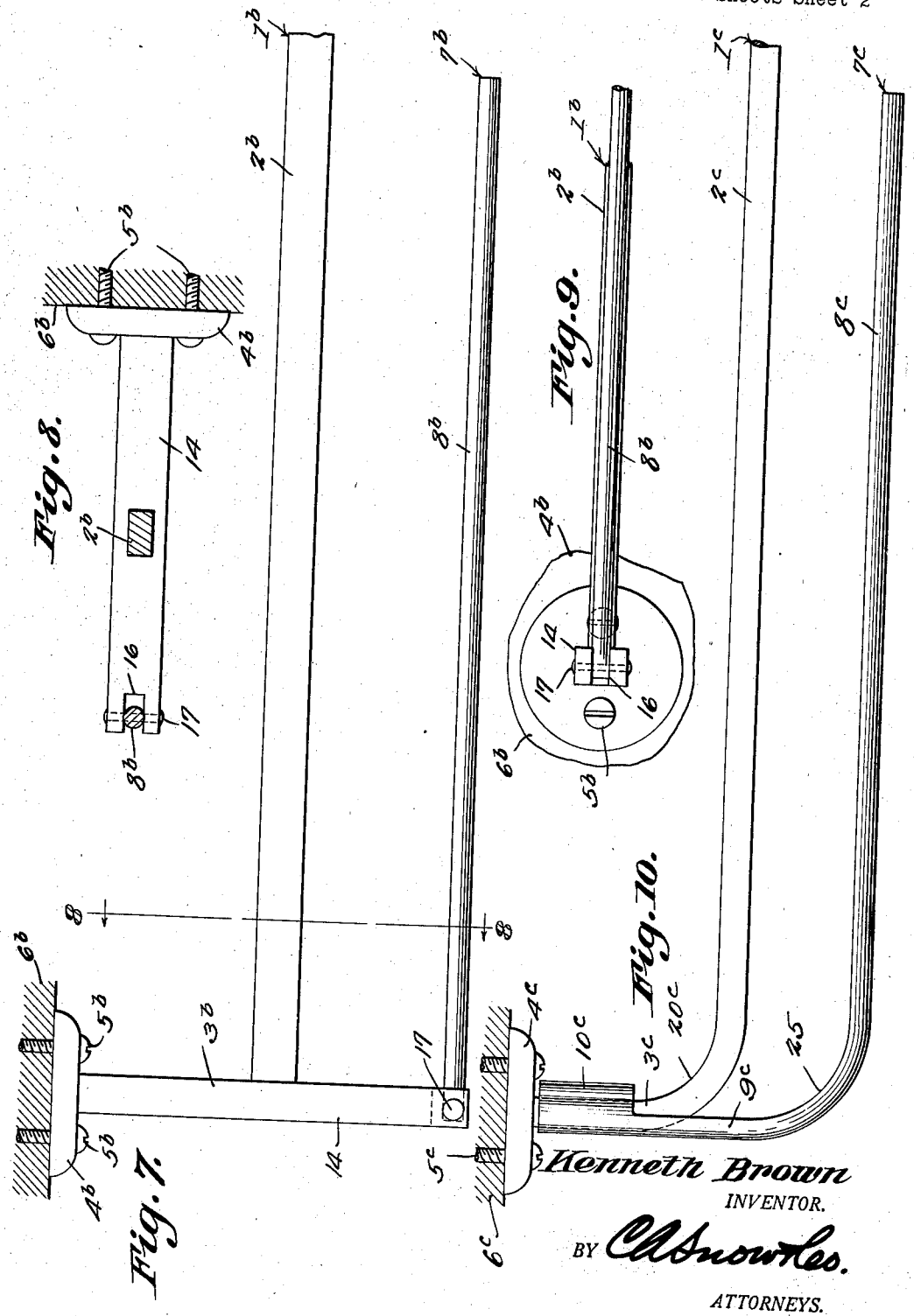


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This invention aims to provide a novel combined towel and wash cloth rack, for use in bathrooms and the like, and to provide a novel wash cloth rack which may be mounted readily on a towel rack already in use.

It is within the province of the disclosure to improve generally and to enhance the utility of devices of that type to which the present invention appertains.

With the above and other objects in view, which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed, may be made within the scope of what is claimed, without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings:

Fig. 1 shows in top plan, a device constructed in accordance with the invention, parts being broken away;

Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 4 is a top plan showing a modified form of the invention, parts being broken away;

Fig. 5 is a section on the line 5—5 of Fig. 4;

Fig. 6 is a section on the line 6—6 of Fig. 4;

Fig. 7 is a top plan showing another modification, parts being broken away;

Fig. 8 is a section on the line 8—8 of Fig. 7;

Fig. 9 is a front elevation, parts being broken away;

Fig. 10 is a top plan showing another modification, parts being broken away.

Referring to Figs. 1, 2 and 3, there is shown a combined towel and wash cloth rack 1, including a main bar 2, which may be of circular cross section, the bar 2 comprising a curved portion 20, merging into a supporting arm 3, disposed substantially at right angles to the main bar. The arm 3 is connected to a base 4, held by securing elements 5 on a vertical support 6. But one end of the towel rack 1 is shown. The opposite ends of the towel rack 1 is constructed as hereinbefore described.

There is provided an auxiliary bar 8, disposed in front of the main bar 1 and having a free inner end 7, the auxiliary bar being shorter than the main bar 2. The auxiliary bar 8 is provided at its outer end with an arm 9, disposed substantially at right angles to the auxiliary bar, the arm and the auxiliary bar being trough-shaped in cross section, so that the arm of the auxiliary bar may receive the arm 3 of the main bar 2. The arm 9 of the auxiliary bar 8 carries a connector 10, which may be a split sleeve, engaged about the arm 3 of the main bar 2.

The curved portion 20 of the main bar 2 extends inwardly, out of the trough-shaped arm 9 of the auxiliary bar 8, to prevent the arm 9 of the auxiliary bar from rotating on the arm 3 of the main bar 2, and to prevent the free end 7 of the auxiliary bar from swinging downwardly under the weight of a wash rag, the main bar 2 being used to carry towels.

In Fig. 4, parts hereinbefore described have been designated by numerals already used, with the suffix *a*. The connector 10*a* is in the form of an open-mouthed spring clip. The arm 9*a* of the auxiliary bar 8*a* has a branch 11, extended along and receiving the curved portion 20 of the main bar 2*a*, the branch terminating in a clip 12, like the clip 10*a*, the clip 12 receiving the main bar 2*a*.

In Figs. 7, 8 and 9, parts hereinbefore described have been designated by numerals already used, with the suffix *b*. The arm 3*b* of the main bar 2*b* is outwardly extended, as shown at 14, and has a notch 16, receiving the outer end of the auxiliary bar 8*b*, the outer end of that bar being held in the notch by a securing device 17.

The structure shown in Fig. 10 resembles the structure shown in Fig. 1, aside from the fact that the curve 25 in the auxiliary bar 18 is somewhat more abrupt than the corresponding curve in the bar 8 of Fig. 1, the split sleeve 10 of Fig. 2 being replaced by a clip like that shown at 10*a* in Fig. 5. The device is simple in construction, but it comprises a means whereby towels and wash rags can be suspended conveniently on a single article. Since the auxiliary bar, such as the bar 8, is shorter than the main bar 2, a considerable portion of the main bar 2 remains unencumbered for the ready hanging of towels, and of course a towel on the bar 2 can be pushed to the left in Fig. 1, behind the auxiliary bar 8.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. In a combined towel and wash cloth rack, a main bar comprising a curved portion merging into a supporting arm disposed substantially at right angles to the main bar, an auxiliary bar disposed in front of the main bar and having an accessibly and permanently free inner end, from which a suspended article may be removed by sliding it lengthwise of the auxiliary bar, the auxiliary bar having an arm disposed substantially at right angles to the auxiliary bar, the

arm of the auxiliary bar including a trough-shaped part receiving the arm of the main bar, and a connector on the arm of the auxiliary bar and disposed about the arm of the main bar, the curved portion of the main bar extending inwardly, out of the trough-shaped part of the auxiliary bar, to prevent the arm of the auxiliary bar from rotating on the arm of the main bar, and to prevent the free end of the auxiliary bar from swinging downwardly.

2. In a combined towel and wash cloth rack, a main bar comprising a curved portion merging into a supporting arm disposed substantially at right angles to the main bar, an auxiliary bar dipsosed in front of the main bar and having a free inner end, the auxiliary bar having an arm disposed substantially at right angles to the auxiliary bar, the arm being of trough-shape throughout, to laterally receive the arm of the main bar, and a connector on the arm of the auxiliary bar and disposed about the arm of the main bar, the curved portion of the main bar extending inwardly, out of the trough-shaped arm of the auxiliary bar, to prevent the arm of the auxiliary bar from rotating on the arm of the main bar, and to prevent the free end of the auxiliary bar from swinging downwardly.

3. A combined towel and wash cloth rack, constructed as set forth in claim 2, and wherein the arm of the auxiliary bar has a trough-shaped branch, receiving the curved portion of the main bar.

4. A combined towel and wash cloth rack, constructed as set forth in claim 2, and wherein the arm of the auxiliary bar has a branch, receiving the curved portion of the main bar, the branch being provided with a connector engaged with the main bar.

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