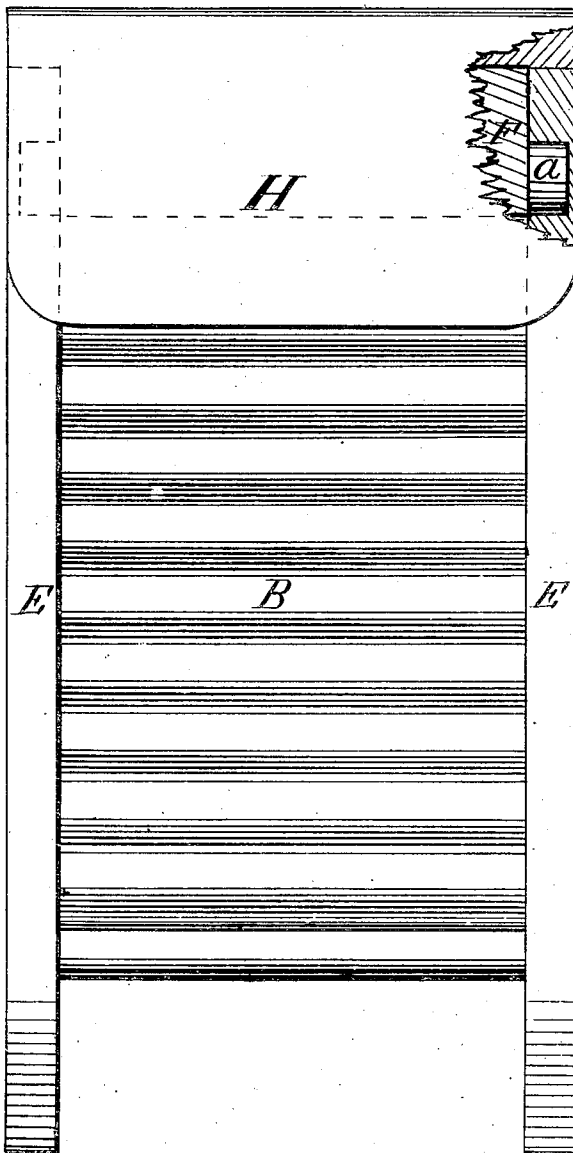


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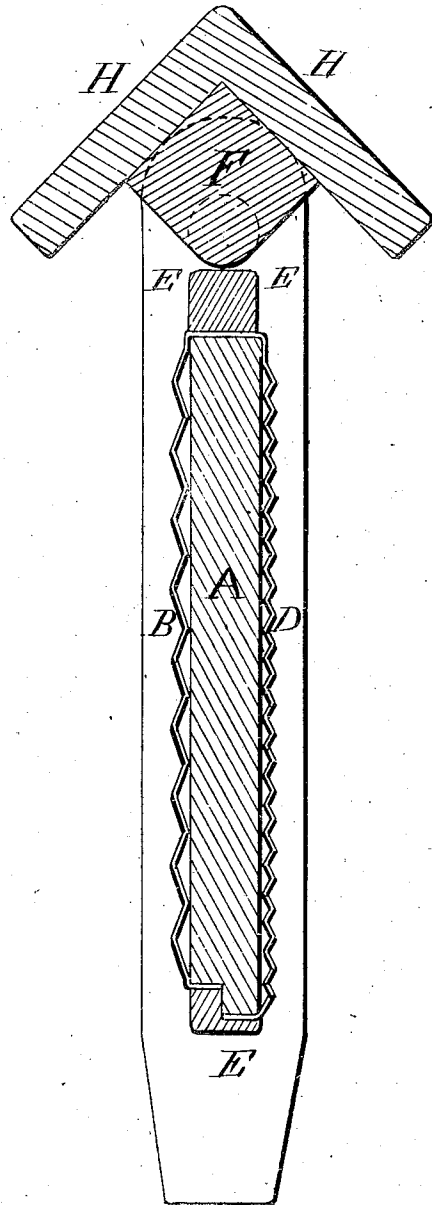
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*Fig 1.*



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*Fig 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN WASH-BOARDS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **150,315**, dated April 28, 1874; application filed March 27, 1874.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ANNA FRIKE, of Fowler, Adams county, Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Wash-Boards, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

The invention relates to an improved wash-board; and consists of a board properly supported, and provided on opposite sides with washing or rubbing surfaces composed of corrugations of different sizes, the top of the board being supplied with a tilting angle-plate, so that as either side of the wash-board is used, a broad surface is presented to support the body of the operator, and prevent the water from wetting the person. The object of the invention is to provide a double wash-board, either side of which can be used with equal comfort.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a device embracing the elements of the invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical central section of the same.

A in the accompanying drawings is a board, one side of which is supplied with the corrugated plate B, the other with the corrugated plate D, the sizes of the corrugations differing as desired, to the end that coarse or fine material can be washed on the same board. Secured to the board A are the cleats E, the sides of which project properly above the corrugated surfaces, while their lower ends form the support for the board, their upper projecting above the upper edge of the board, and provided with bearings to receive the journals *a* on the ends of the lower corners of the square shaft F, the upper surfaces of which are secured to the angle-plate H in such manner that when one side of the plate is at right

angles to the cleats E, that surface of the shaft F below the plate shall be substantially in the same vertical plane as the adjacent surface of the board A. The plate H consists of two pieces of material of proper dimensions secured together at right angles, the shaft F attached to the re-entrant angle. Thus, be either side of the board used, it is only necessary to tilt the plate H toward the opposite side, which affords a broad surface to support the person, and also protects the clothes of the operator from being dampened or soiled.

It is obvious that the tilting piece H can be made with its side pieces at a greater or less angle than a right angle, and still effect the object of the invention; also, that it can be used with good results upon any wash-board having a double face, whether the corrugations upon the faces are of like size or not.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The tilting piece H, the sides of which are placed at or about at a right angle to each other, and mounted upon the rock-shaft F, substantially as shown and described.

2. A tilting piece, in combination with a double-faced wash-board, substantially as described and set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing improvement in wash-boards, as above described, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23d day of March, 1874.

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