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 SANITARY LAUNDRY TRUCK.
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Fig. 1.

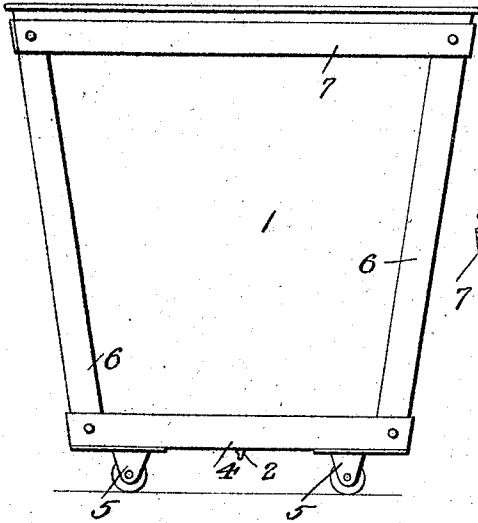


Fig. 2.

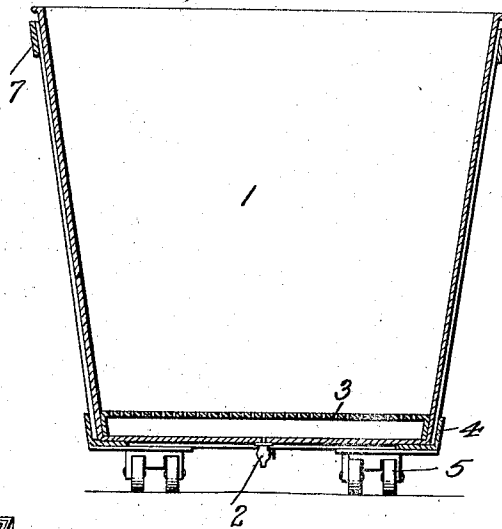
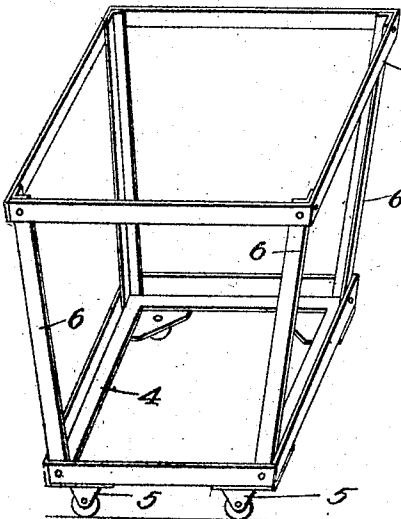
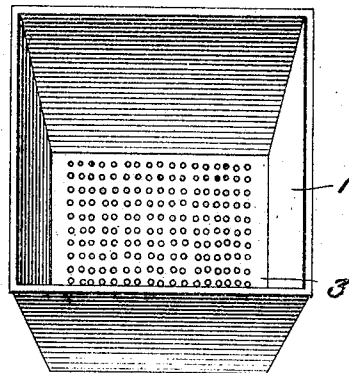


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD H. ESHELMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Birmingham, in the county of Jefferson and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sanitary Laundry-Trucks, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a truck which serves as a receptacle to carry the clothes from the washing apparatus to the drying apparatus or other apparatus about a laundry; and with this and minor objects in view, my invention consists in the parts and combination of parts as will be hereinafter more fully set out.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a truck constructed according to my invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same; Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the truck and receptacle detached.

1 represents a clothes receptacle which may be made of any suitable material.

2 is a valved outlet of the bottom of the receptacle and, 3 is a false bottom in the receptacle. This false bottom is perforated and has its edges turned down to form a flange, by means of which it is removably supported in the receptacle some distance above the bottom of the receptacle as shown in Fig. 2.

The truck comprises a base-frame 4 which is preferably made of a single bar of angle iron bent in four places to form the corners of a rectangular frame. The ends of this bar of angle iron are secured together in any suitable manner, thus forming but one joint in the perimeter of the base. To increase the rigidity and strength of the base-frame as thus constructed, corner plates 8 are securely fastened to the corners by rivets or other suitable means. The casters 5, of any suitable construction, are tapped in or otherwise secured to the base 4.

6 are standards, four in number, of angle iron riveted or otherwise secured at their lower end to the base-frame 4 at the corners thereof. The upper ends of the standards 6 are joined by means of a band 7 which is suitably secured to said standards by means of rivets or in any other suitable

way, thus forming a skeleton frame work for receiving the receptacle 1.

The receptacle 1 is adapted to be placed within the truck frame and the bottom thereof is supported upon one of the flanges of the angle iron, while the corners of the receptacle fit snugly within the angle iron standards 5.

The wet clothes are placed within the receptacle 1, the water from the clothes drains through the perforations in the false bottom 3 into the chamber below formed in the bottom of the receptacle 1 from whence it is drained by means of the valved outlet 2. The receptacle, when full of clothes, is, by means of the rollers on the truck, readily moved to the drier in the laundry.

From the above, it will be seen that I have, by my invention, provided a simple, efficient and strong truck and receptacle for conveying clothes between the washing apparatus and the drying apparatus, and at the same time permitting of the drainage of the surplus water from said clothes while in transit between the washing apparatus and the drying apparatus. Further, all the separate parts are readily detachable, thus facilitating repair or replacement of the parts.

Another advantage of my invention is that the several parts of the truck may be readily cleaned, owing to the fact that they are all detachable, thus rendering the truck desirable from a sanitary standpoint.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. In a laundry truck, the combination with an integral rectangular base provided with outer upwardly-turned flanges, standards of angle-iron extending upwardly from said base to form guides for a receptacle fitting therein, a band connecting said standards on the outside at the top, corner plates rigidly reinforcing said rectangular base at the corners thereof, and casters suitably attached to said corner plates; of a receptacle for washed clothing adapted to enter freely between said standard guides and to slide into snug engagement therewith.

2. In a laundry truck, the combination

with a rectangular base provided with upwardly-extending flanges integral therewith, angle iron standards inclined upwardly from said base, and a band connecting said standards at the top, of a receptacle for washed
5 clothing adapted to be removably secured within said truck.

The foregoing specification signed at Birmingham, Ala., this 15th day of February, 1908.

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