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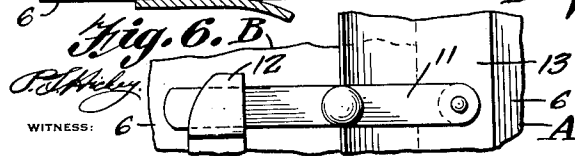
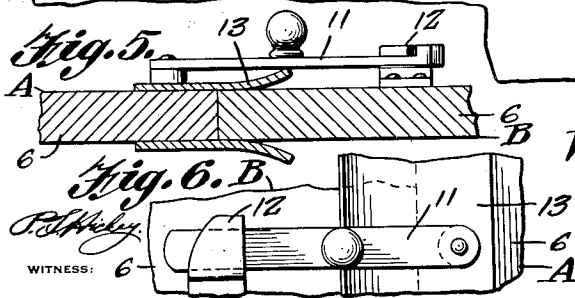
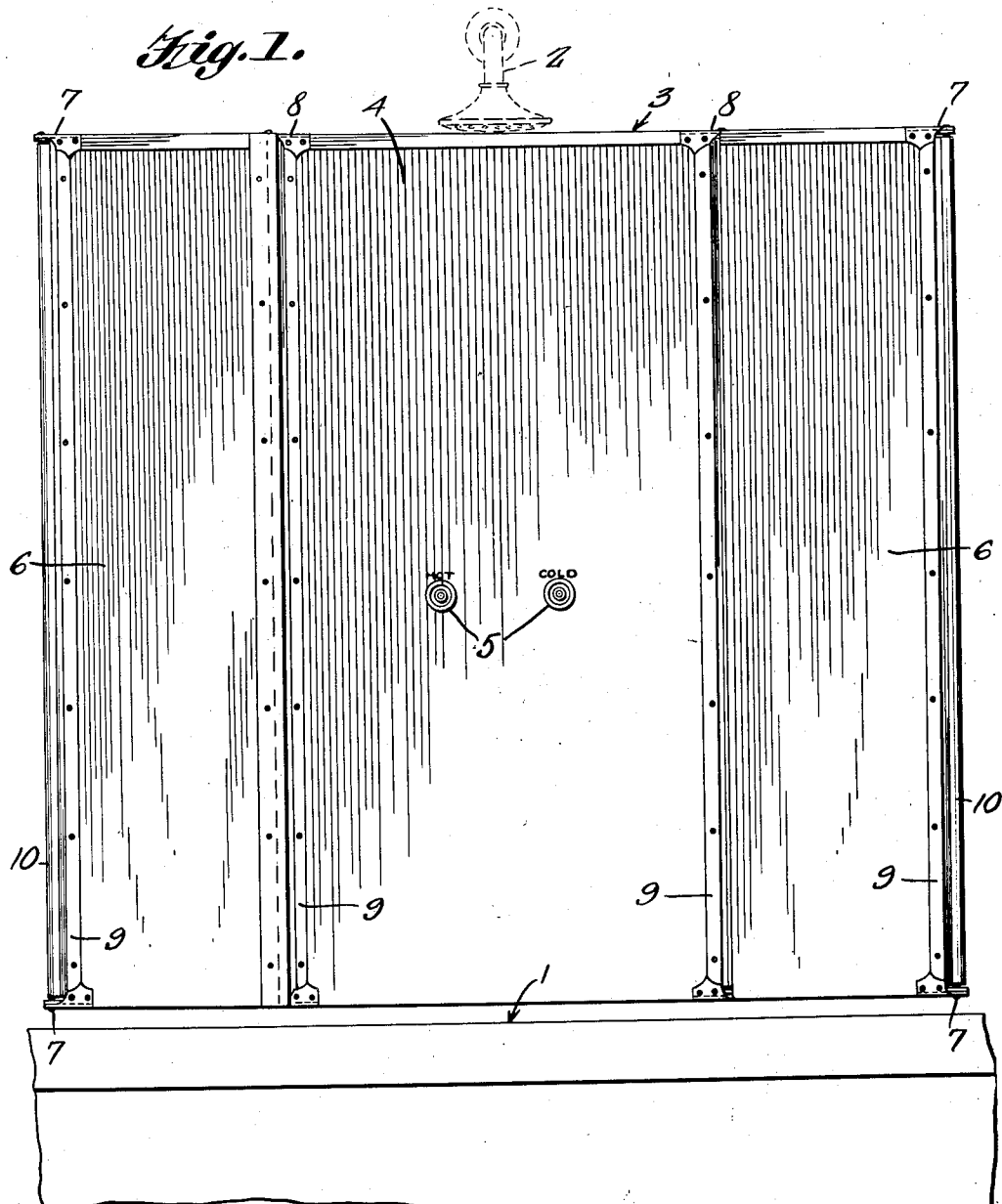
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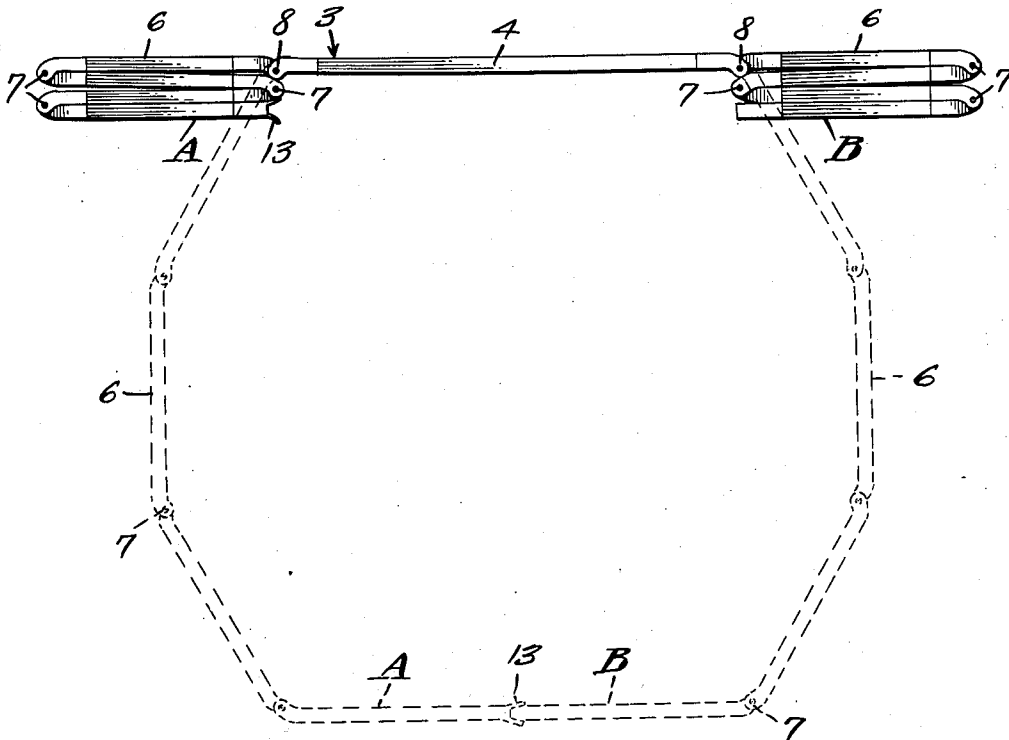
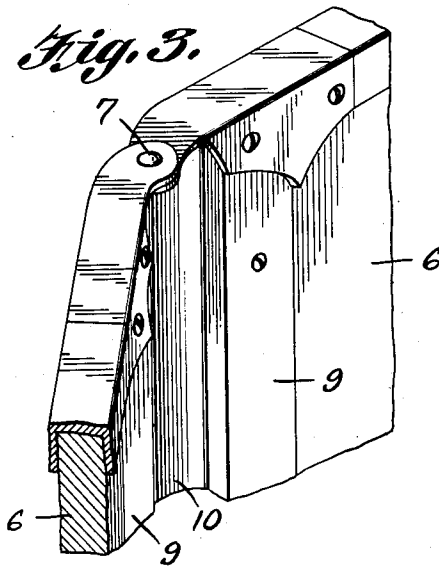


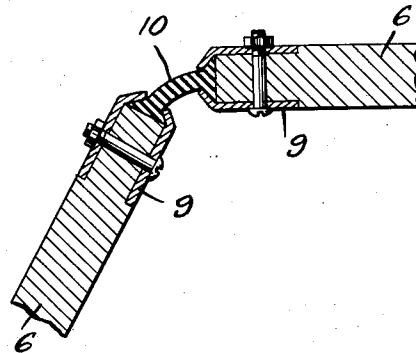
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1 Claim. (Cl. 4--146)

This invention relates to a collapsible bath tub shower booth, and has for the primary object the provision of a device of the above stated character which will provide a permanent fixture easily accessible for a person to enter or exit from as well as the bath tub with which the device is associated and provides ample room for the person while bathing and may be readily kept clean and in a sanitary condition besides being attractive and adding to the appearance of the bathroom.

With these and other objects in view this invention consists in certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

For a complete understanding of my invention, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawings, in which

Figure 1 is a side elevation illustrating a booth constructed in accordance with my invention and showing the same associated with a bath tub and the shower thereof.

Figure 2 is a top plan view illustrating how the booth may be collapsed or extended.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary sectional view illustrating the hinged connection between panels of the booth.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary detail sectional view showing a flexible connection between panels of the booth.

Figure 5 is a detail sectional view showing a latch for maintaining the booth in operative position.

Figure 6 is a fragmentary front elevation illustrating the latch.

Referring in detail to the drawings, the numeral 1 indicates a fragmentary portion of a bath tub having disposed over the same a shower 2. Located between the bath tub and the shower is a booth 3 forming the subject matter of the present invention and consists of a relatively fixed main panel 4 apertured to receive the controls 5 of the shower. Connected to opposite edges of the main panel 4 is a series of movable panels 6. The mov-

able panels are arranged in groups and the panels of each group are connected by hinges 7 and one panel 6 of each group is connected to the main panel 4 by hinges 8. The hinges 7 and 8 are arranged at the upper and lower edges of the panels and the movable panels are capable of being folded back against the wall of the bathroom one upon the other when the device is not in use giving free access to the tub. Clamping strips 9 are bolted or otherwise secured to the vertical edges of the panels 4 and 6 and receive flexible strips 10 that extend substantially the full length of the panels and the strips permit the movable panels to swing relative to each other and the main panel and still provide a closure between the panels.

A person after entering the tub may readily position the movable panels, as shown in Figure 2, to form a complete booth which will prevent the spray of water from splashing outside of the tub. The panels designated A and B in Figure 2 are detachably connected when the device is in operative position by a pivoted latch 11 engageable with a keeper 12. The panel A at its free vertical edge is provided with strips 13 to receive the free edge of the panel B, as shown in Figure 2. The unfastening of the panels A and B from each other by releasing the latch 11 from the keeper 12 frees the movable panels so that they may be readily folded into a full line position, as shown in Figure 2, so that the person may readily step from the tub.

Having described the invention, I claim:

A folding shower booth comprising a main panel, hingedly connected groups of movable panels hinged to opposite edges of the main panel and adapted to be extended or collapsed relative to said main panel and when extended form a booth, strips secured to said panels, and elastic strips gripped by said first strips to form closure elements between the adjacent edges of said panels.

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