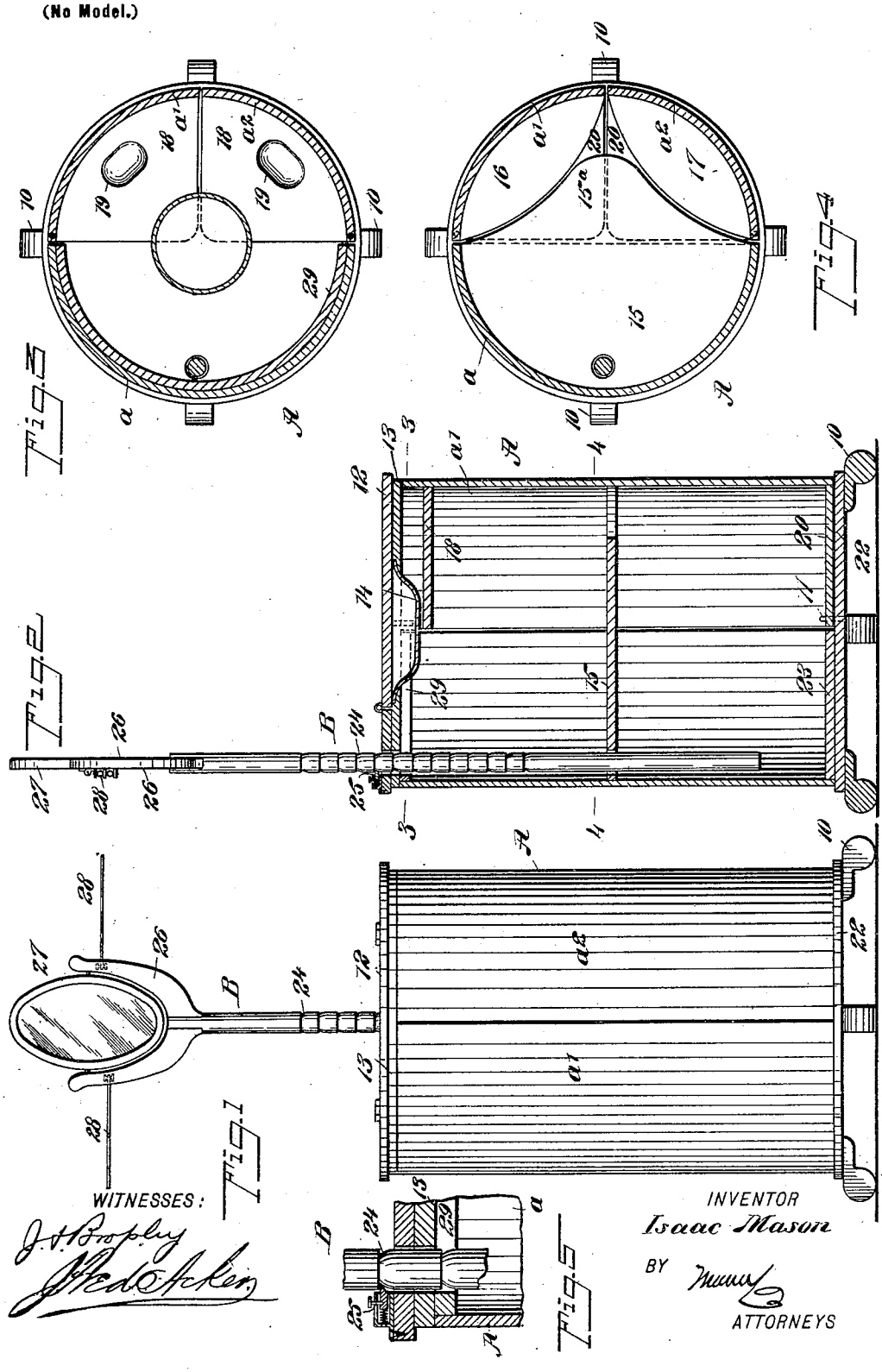
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC MASON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Washstand, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The purpose of the invention is to so construct a washstand or similar article of furniture that a looking-glass or mirror may be vertically adjusted thereon and held in adjusted position and whereby the frame or fork carrying the glass may be adapted for the reception of towel-holders.

The main purpose of the invention, however, is to so construct the body of the washstand that it will be provided with two doors opening outward, said doors carrying shelves attached to their inner faces, which shelves register with shelves in the stationary portion of the body, one of the shelves in the stationary portion of the body being so formed that a washbowl and pitcher may be conveniently placed thereon, while the smaller shelves connected with the doors are adapted to receive smaller articles, the upper shelves having cavities in which soap or other toilet articles may be placed.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improved washstand. Fig. 2 is a vertical section taken centrally through the washstand. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section taken on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a horizontal section taken on the line 4 4 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 5 is an enlarged detail sectional view illustrating the manner in which the support for the mirror is held in adjusted position.

A represents the body of the washstand. Although this body of the washstand may be of any desired shape, it is preferably circular in cross-section, as illustrated. The body of the washstand is practically in three parts—a stationary part a, as shown in Figs. 2 and 4, and two doors a' and a^2. The stationary portion a comprises, preferably, one half of the body, while the two doors a' and a^2 generally constitute the remaining half, and the body is supported on suitable legs 10, although other means may be employed. These doors a' and a^2 are hinged, preferably, by means of pintles 11, which are passed up from the bottom of the stationary section and down from the top of the same section, entering suitable openings or sockets in the doors.

The body of the stand is provided with a hinged cover 12, and just below this cover a partition 13 is secured to the fixed section of the body, which partition is circular, so that when the doors a' and a^2 are closed they may abut against the said partition, or the doors when closed may occupy a position just beneath the upper edge of the partition 13, as shown in Fig. 2. This partition is provided with a central opening, and this opening is so prepared as to readily receive a washbowl 14, of any suitable character.

A central shelf 15 is provided for the body-section a, and this central shelf, as shown in Fig. 4, extends forward beyond the body-section and into that portion of the body formed by the doors a' and a^2 when closed. The projecting portion 15^a of this central shelf is more or less triangular, as is also shown in Fig. 4, so as to provide the greatest possible room for a washbowl and pitcher or the like and for sundry other smaller articles. The door-sections a' and a^2 are provided centrally with shelves 16 and 17, the inner edges of which are more or less curved, as is also shown in Fig. 4, so that when the doors are closed the shelves 16 and 17, carried by the doors, will conform to a greater or less extent to the outer projecting portion 15^a of the central shelf of the stationary section a of the body. The doors a' and a^2 are provided with upper shelves 18. (Shown in Figs. 2 and 3.) These shelves 18 are of substantially triangular shape or represent practically a quarter of a circle, and in the upper faces of these shelves 18 depressions 19 are usually produced, in which soap or other small articles may be placed without danger of being shifted when the doors are opened. Another set of shelves 20 is secured to the bottom portions of the doors a' and a^2, and these shelves 20 close

over the bottom 22 of the main or stationary section *a* of the body, which bottom 22 is circular. When the doors are closed, the lower shelves 20 are immediately opposite an auxiliary bottom 23, provided for the stationary portion of the body, as illustrated in Fig. 2, so that the upper faces of the lower shelves 20 will be flush with the auxiliary bottom 23 of the stationary section *a* of the body when the doors are closed. The doors may be closed and held closed in any suitable or approved manner.

A standard or upright B is passed through a suitable opening in the top of the stationary portion of the body and through an opening in the shelf 15 of said portion or section. This upright or standard is provided with a series of shoulders 24, adapted to be engaged by a bolt 25, usually spring-controlled and located upon the top portion of the stationary section of the body, as shown in Fig. 2, and the surface of the standard below each shoulder 24 is more or less conical in shape, so that the standard may be readily drawn out from the body as far as desired. When the adjustment of the standard is accomplished, the bolt 25, by engaging with a shoulder 24, will hold the standard in its adjusted position. This standard is shown as provided with a fork 26 at the top, and in the members of this fork the trunnions of a looking-glass 27 are pivoted, and towel-racks 28 are likewise pivoted to the members of the said fork 26 at a convenient point thereon.

It will be observed from the foregoing description that the article of furniture illustrated will occupy but little room, but will contain all necessary articles for the toilet and numerous other articles and that the improved washstand is not only simple and durable in its construction, but may be made exceedingly ornamental.

In Fig. 2 I have illustrated the upper portion of the stationary section *a* of the body as braced by an interior semicircular rib 29, and these ribs may be employed wherever desired.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A washstand, comprising a hollow body, consisting of a stationary section and hinged door-sections, the stationary section having an interior shelf projecting into the door-sections, an upper partition secured to the stationary section and against which the hinged door-sections close, said partition being provided with an opening, and a cover extended over said partition, substantially as specified.

2. A washstand comprising a hollow circular body, which body comprises a stationary body-section and two hinged or door sections, shelves secured to the door or hinged sections at their inner faces, a shelf secured within the body-section, projecting beyond the same and into the hinged or door sections when the latter are closed, a hinged cover at the top of the body-section, and a partition beneath the said cover, which is attached to the body-section and extends out to the hinged or door sections when the latter are closed, the said partition being provided with an opening to receive a receptacle, as set forth.

3. A washstand consisting of a cylindrical hollow body, comprising a semicircular fixed section and two hinged or door sections, a shelf secured within the body-section, extending beyond the same and into the door or hinged sections when the latter are closed, the extended portion of the shelf approximating a triangular formation, shelves attached to the door or hinged sections at the top and at the bottom, the top and bottom shelves representing in plan view a quarter of a circle, and intermediate shelves secured to the door or hinged sections near their centers, which shelves substantially conform to the shape of the extension of the shelf in the body-section, as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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