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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. PASCHKE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Brackets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to brackets especially adapted for supporting towels and the like.

An important object of this invention is to provide a shelf bracket having simple means for supporting a towel rack in spaced relation to the shelf.

The invention forming the subject matter of this bracket is provided with means whereby shelves of different widths may be supported beneath a mirror or the like.

A further object of the invention is to provide a bracket of the class described which is simple to apply, neat in appearance and cheap to manufacture.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will be apparent during the course of the following description.

In the accompanying drawing forming a part of this application and in which like numerals are employed to designate like parts throughout the same,

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a pair of the improved brackets applied.

Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the improved bracket, a shelf and the mirror being shown in section.

Fig. 3 is a perspective of one of the brackets applied, the same being partly formed from round wire.

In the drawing wherein for the purpose of illustration is shown a preferred embodiment of the invention the numeral 5 generally designates a shelf which is of glass or the like and which is supported beneath a mirror generally designated by the numeral 6.

The invention forming the subject matter of this application resides in a bracket generally designated by the numeral 7 and which is adapted for supporting the shelf 5 and a towel rack designated by the numeral 8. As illustrated in Fig. 2 the bracket 7 is formed upon a length of metal bent intermediate its ends to form an upright arm 9 and an inclined arm 10. The juncture of the arms 9 and 10 is formed with an open spring loop 11 adapted to re-

ceive the end portions of the towel rack. The spring loop 11 defines more than a semi-circle and less than a complete circle and thus the ends of the towel rack must be forced into the spring loop by spreading the loop slightly.

By reason of this construction, the towel rack is securely connected to the bracket. The upper portion of the arm is formed with a horizontally extending U-shaped shelf engaging member 12 having upper and lower branches arranged on opposite sides of the shelf so as to securely engage the same. The terminal portion of the upper branch of the U-shaped shelf engaging member is curved outwardly as indicated at 13 so as to form a guide for directing the edge portion of the shelf between the flanges of the U-shaped shelf engaging member.

As illustrated in Fig. 2, the arm 10 has its upper portion extended upwardly and then downwardly to form a U-shaped attaching member having arms 14 and 15 arranged in spaced relation. The end of the arm 15 is extended forwardly to form a shelf supporting member 16 which is engaged beneath the shelf. The metal from which the bracket is formed is then extended downwardly, rearwardly and upwardly to form a loop 18 to which an adjusting bolt is connected. The rearwardly extended portion of the loop 18 is riveted to the inclined arm 10 as indicated at 20 and the vertical sides of the loop 18 are formed with aligned openings which receive the forward portion of the bolt 19. The terminal portion of the metal from which the bracket is formed is extended rearwardly as indicated at 21 and bent upwardly as indicated at 22 and located between the arms 14 and 15 of the U-shaped attaching device. Screws 23 are extended through the branches of the arms 14 and 15 and through the terminal portion 22 of the length of metal so as to securely connect the terminal portion of the strip to the arms 14 and 15. Also the screws 23 are threaded into the rear side of the mirror so as to securely connect the device and the shelf.

In assembling the improved bracket, the mirror is first connected to the attaching portion of the several brackets and the shelf is subsequently mounted on the supporting members 12 and 15. Bolts 19 are now extended through the arm 9 and through the

upstanding portion of the loop 18 and the nuts 25 on opposite sides of the loops are tightened so as to secure them both in an adjusted position. By tightening up on the 5 nuts the forward arms 9 will be drawn rearwardly so that the shelf will be more securely engaged and it will be observed that the shelf is arranged beneath the lower edge of the mirror so that the same is prevented from moving upwardly. 10

With reference to Fig. 1 it will be noted that the improved bracket is not possessed of any projection which is likely to tear the clothing or detract from the appearance 15 of the bracket.

Having thus described the invention what is claimed is:—

1. A bracket comprising a length of metal bent intermediate its ends to form upright 20 and inclined arms, the terminal portion of the upright arm being formed with a shelf supporting member, the upper portion of the inclined arm being formed with a U-shaped attaching member having spaced 25 arms, one of the arms of said U-shaped attaching member being formed with a loop engaged with said inclined arm and constituting a shelf supporting member.

2. A bracket comprising a length of metal 30 bent intermediate its ends to form upright and inclined arms, the terminal portion of the upright arm being formed with a shelf supporting and engaging member, the upper portion of the inclined arm being 35 formed with a U-shaped attaching member having arms arranged in spaced relation, one of the arms of this U-shaped attaching member being formed with a loop, 40 mounted on the upper portion of said inclined arm and constituting a shelf supporting member, one terminal portion of said length of metal being connected to said loop and arranged between said arms of the U-shaped attaching member, and fastening 45 devices extending through the terminal portion of said length of metal and through the spaced arms of said U-shaped attaching device.

3. A bracket comprising a length of metal bent intermediate its ends to form upright 50 and inclined arms having their connecting portions formed with a loop the terminal portion of the upright arm being formed with a shelf supporting and engaging member, the upper portion of the inclined 55 arm being formed with a U-shaped attaching member having arms arranged in spaced relation, one of the arms of this U-shaped attaching member being formed with a loop, mounted on the upper portion 60 of said inclined arm and constituting a shelf supporting member, one terminal portion of said length of metal being connected to said last named loop and arranged between said arms of the U-shaped attaching member, fastening devices extending 65 through the terminal portion of said length of metal and through the spaced arms of said U-shaped attaching device, and an adjusting bolt extending through 70 said upright arm and through said last named loop.

4. A bracket comprising a length of metal bent intermediate its ends to form upright 75 and inclined arms having their connecting portions formed with a loop, the terminal portion of the upright arm being formed with a shelf supporting and engaging member, the upper portion of the inclined arm being formed with a U-shaped attaching 80 member having arms arranged in spaced relation, one of the arms of this U-shaped attaching member being formed with a loop, mounted on the upper portion of said inclined arm and constituting a shelf support- 85 ing member, one terminal portion of said length of metal being connected to said last named loop and arranged between said arms of the U-shaped attaching member, fastening devices extending through the spaced arms 90 of said U-shaped attaching device, a shelf supported by said shelf engaging member and said second named loop and a mirror engaged by said fastening devices and mounted on said shelf.

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