

J.M. Oakley. Combined Shield and Towel Rack for Wash Stands.

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Fig. 1

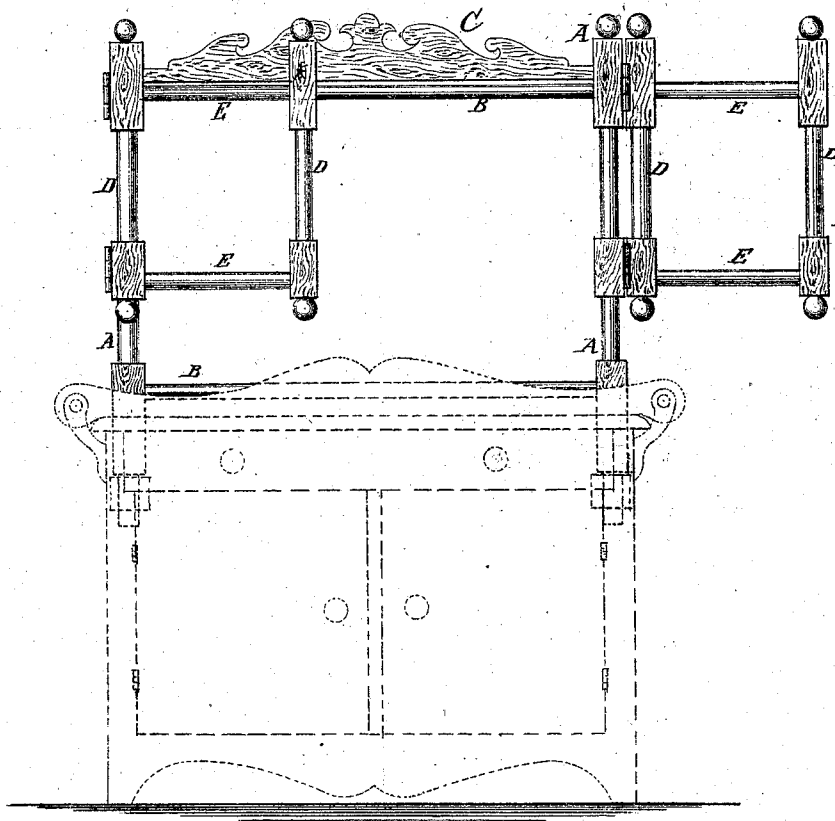
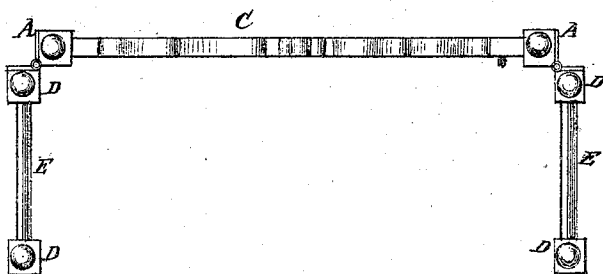


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN SHIELDS AND TOWEL-RACKS FOR WASHSTANDS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 120,086, dated October 17, 1871.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN M. OAKLEY, of Green Point, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Combined Shield and Towel-Rack for Washstands; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved shield and towel-rack, part of the rack being opened out. Fig. 2 is a top view of the same, both parts of the rack being opened out.

My invention has for its object to furnish a simple and convenient device for attachment to washstands to serve as a shield or guard to protect the wall from being spattered with water and to serve as a rack to receive the towels; and which shall at the same time be simple in construction, convenient in use, and neat in appearance; and it consists of the construction and combination of the various parts, as hereinafter more fully described.

A are two posts, which are connected and held in their proper relative positions by two cross-bars, B. To the upper part of the posts A may be attached an ornamental top piece, C. The lower ends of the posts A are inserted in cleats or keepers attached to the rear side of a wash-

stand, so that it may be conveniently detached when desired. D E are two smaller racks or frames hinged to the outer sides of the upper parts of the posts A. Each of the frames or racks consists of two short posts or uprights, D, connected and held in their relative positions by the cross-bars E.

By this construction the racks or frames D E may be swung back over the ends of the washstand into convenient position for use, and swung in when desired, so as to be parallel with the shield A B. The shield A B is designed to be covered with cloth, paper, or other suitable material. If desired, the posts A of the shield A B and the outer posts D of the racks D E may be made long to reach to the floor, so that the device may stand upon them, and at the same time be in position to serve their proper purposes.

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

The combination of the shield A B C and hinged racks or frames D E with each other, to adapt them to be used with an ordinary washstand, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 18th day of April, 1871.

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