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WASHTUB COVER.

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Fig. 1.

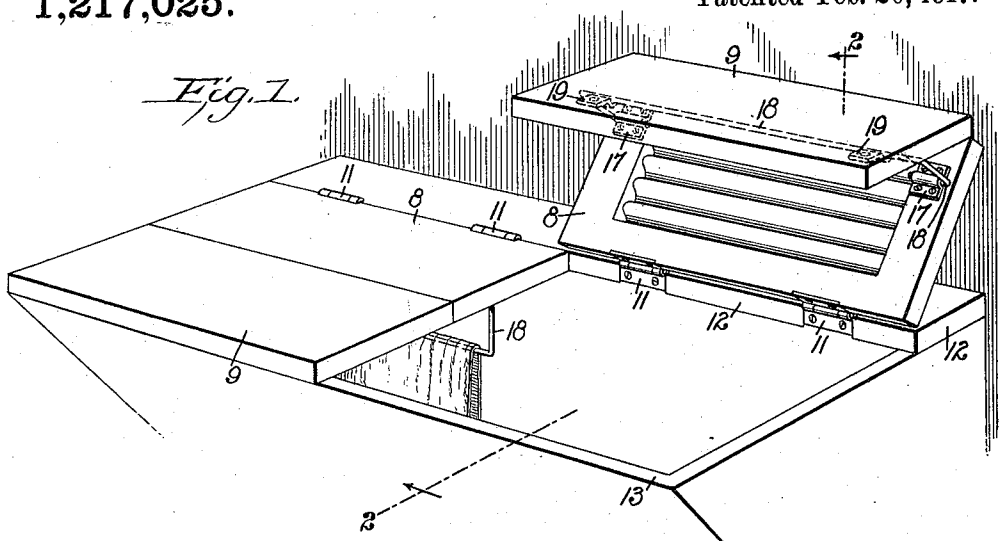


Fig. 3.

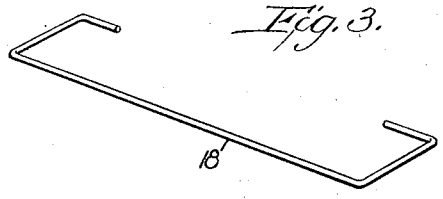


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS I. LEVETT, a subject of the Czar of Russia, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Washtub-Cover, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to provide a cover, the vertical section whereof may be reduced; to provide a shelf at the back of the tub when the tub is opened for service; and to provide a convenient rack for floor or other cloths.

Drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a wash tub of conventional construction having applied thereto covers constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention;

Fig. 2 is a vertical cross section on an enlarged scale, the section being taken as on the line 2—2 in Fig. 1;

Fig. 3 is a detail view in perspective showing the supporting bracket for the shelf section of the cover.

Description.

In certain modern dwellings the space over the wash tubs is utilized for cupboard purposes. It is found desirable to so dispose the cupboards that the lower edge thereof is disposed so close to the top of the tub that it is impossible to provide the tub with a hinged one-piece cover. The expedient generally adopted is to provide a single removable top or cover. This in some cases proves inconvenient for the reason that when removing a place has to be made for said cover.

In the present invention this objection is avoided by providing a cover constructed in two longitudinal sections 8 and 9 joined by hinges 10. The inner section 8 is secured by hinges 11 to a rail section 12. The rail section 12 is permanently secured on the tub 13. Preferably the cover sections 8 and 9 and the rail section 12 are constructed from wooden rails 14, which are covered by sheet metal in any approved manner. In the present invention the sheet metal is reinforced between the rails by corrugated sheets 15, which are disposed between said rails and in contact with the smooth sheet of metal that forms the top or surface of the cover which is exposed when in service.

The section 8 is sufficiently narrow to swing under a superposed closet 16, and preferably sufficiently beneath the same to leave a space above the section 9 when the same is disposed in shelf-like position as shown best in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

Pivotally mounted by means of bearing brackets 17, is a swinging loop 18, the cross bar of said loop engaging cross brackets 19, one of which is disposed on each of the end rails of the section 9. The brackets 19 are so arranged that when the section 8 is disposed as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings with the upper rear edge supported by the wall against which the tub 13 is placed and the loop 18 is extended, the section 9 is held in horizontal position by said brackets.

In the above stated position, it is obvious that the cover section 9 forms a convenient shelf for receiving soap or other articles used in laundry work.

The loop 18 as is shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, may be used as a rack for hanging floor cloths or other articles of similar nature provided for laundry or other household uses, or such articles which under the present practice are disposed in the tub and usually in a damp condition.

Claims.

1. A wash tub cover comprising a plurality of elongated pivotally-connected cover sections; and a loop bracket pivotally mounted on one of said sections for supporting the other of said sections for service as a shelf.

2. A wash tub cover comprising a plurality of elongated pivotally-connected cover sections; a loop bracket pivotally mounted on one of said sections for supporting the other of said sections for service as a shelf; and a plurality of bracket members mounted on said other section for engagement by said loop bracket.

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