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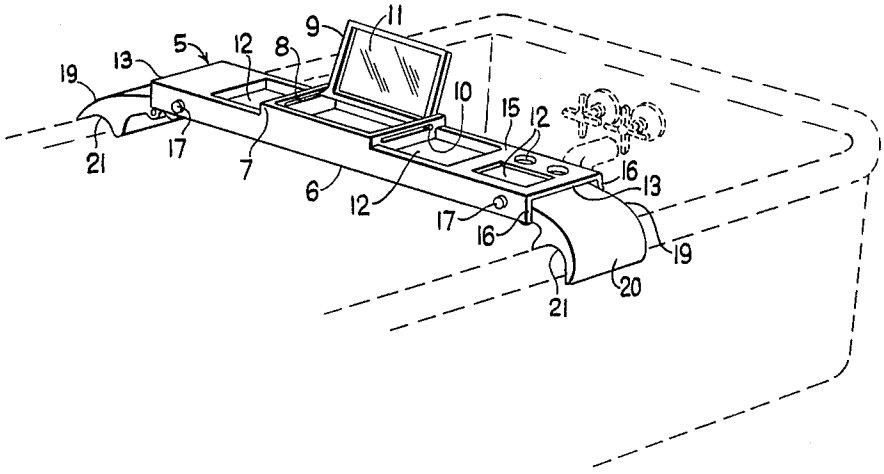


Fig. 1

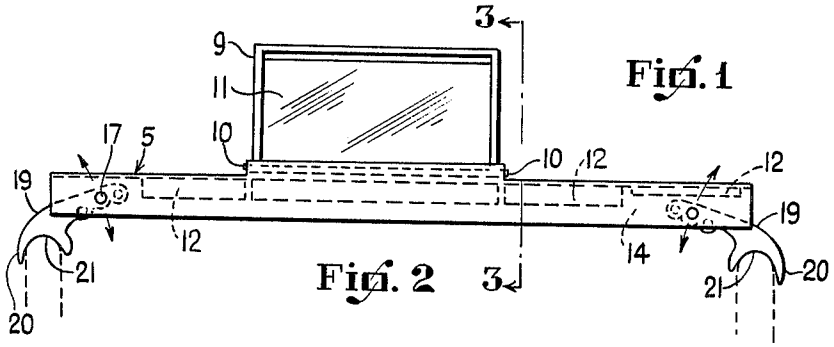


Fig. 2

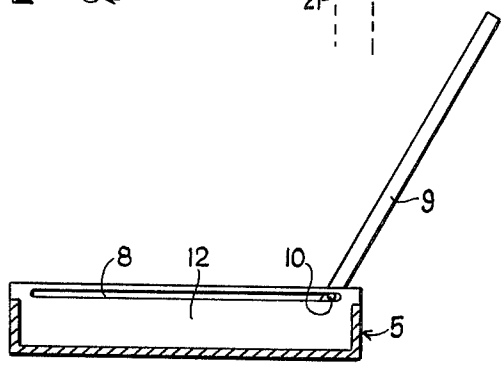


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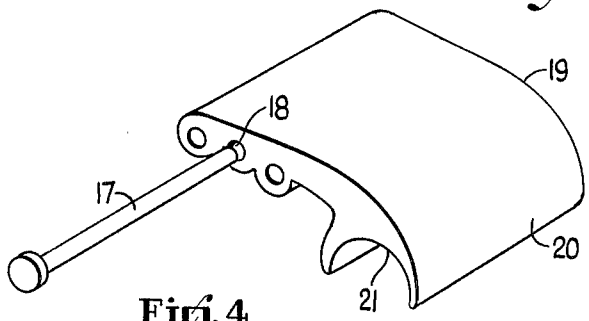


Fig. 4

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This invention relates to the bathroom, and more particularly to a bathtub accessory.

The average bathroom in many modern homes has limited space for such necessary items as soap, mirrors, and the like; and the provisions that are made for these necessary items are often some distance from the desired place of usage, namely, the bathtub.

It is therefore the principal object of this invention to provide not only a bathtub accessory to hold one's soap and similar items, but also for a mirror in which a person may see his face while bathing in the tub.

Another object of this invention is to provide a bathtub accessory that is both a mirror and holder for soap and other small items used when one is taking a bath, but also a device that can be adapted to the top of any bathtub having a rolled edge or rim.

Another object of this invention is to provide a bathtub accessory that can be manufactured from any durable material, such as plastic or stainless steel or the like.

Another object of this invention is to provide a bathtub accessory that can be kept clean by reason of its simplified design of an accessory, having one major casting provided with recesses and openings for the purpose described in the detailed description of this novel invention.

Still another object of this invention is to provide a bathtub accessory that will contribute to decreasing accidents in bathrooms by one slipping from a wet bathtub and injuring himself while trying to reach for soap, comb, or mirror.

Similar reference characters refer to similar parts throughout the several views of the drawing.

Other and further objects and adavntages of this bathtub accessory will be hereinafter described, and the novel features thereof defined in the appeneded claims.

Referring to the drawing:

FIGURE 1 is an isometric view of this invention placed on top of a bathtub that is shown in dash lines and ready for use.

FIGURE 2 is a front view of FIGURE 1.

FIGURE 3 is a detailed sectional view on line 3—3 of FIGURE 2.

FIGURE 4 is a perspecitve view of one of the supporting members of this invention showing its supporting pin ready to be placed in the same.

Having reference now to the drawing in detail, there is generally indicated by the character 5, a bathtub accessory comprising a holder 6 that is rectangular when viewed from either the top, front, back, end, or bottom. The holder which may be produced from any desired material, depending upon the method of manufacture, is provided with a centrally located raised portion 7, having an elongated recess 8 in each end thereof and at right angle to the length of the bathtub. A lid 9 is provided with a pair of spaced projections 10, that have their outer end adapted to slidably fit into each one of the elongated recesses 8, thus providing a hingeably mounted lid 9 when the same is in the position shown in FIGURES 1, 2 and 3 of the appended drawing. The lid 9 may have a mirror 11 suitably mounted to one surface thereof, or it may be provided with a pair of clips to hold a book or pamphlet in an open position for one to read while taking a bath. The aforesaid clips are not shown in any of the veiws of the appended drawing.

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The rectangular holder 6 is also provided with a plurality of recesses 12 in which is placed soap, hair dressing accessories, and the like. These recesses may be rectangular, square, round, or any combination of these and other desired shapes as desired by the manufacture of this invention.

Each end 13 of the already discussed rectangular holder 6 is provided with a hollow portion 14 that is formed by reason of the inverted U-shaped construction of this holder 6, which at this point has a flat top 15 and two spaced vertically disposed sides 16, which have an opening through which is inserted a headed pin 17 that also goes through a mating opening 18 in the end of the support 19 of this invention.

FIGURE 4 of the appended drawing clearly shows that the aforesaid supports 19 are in fact provided with more than one opening 18 in order that this invention may be adapted to any width of bathtub. The support 19 has its outer end 20 provided with an inverted U-shaped recess 21 that rests on top of the rolled edge of a bathtub, thereby preventing this invention from accidentally slipping off the same. The just described construtbion of the ends of this invention also provide a means of height adjustment as indicated by the arrows in FIGURE 2 of the drawing. This adjustment of height may or may not require additional structure or even mechanism, depending upon the desires of its manufacturer. The inverted U-shaped recesses 21 may be replaced in the design by supports having a flat bottom for use on bathtubs having a flat instead of a rolled edge.

It is understood that suitable modifications may be made in the structure and form as disclosed, provided such modifications come within the scope of the appended claims.

Having therefore, fully illustrated and described my invention of a bathtub accessory, what I now claim to be new and desire to protect by Letters Patent is:

A bathtub accessory comprising a rectangular holder for toilet articles and the like, the said rectangular holder having inverted U-shaped ends, each of which is swingably mounted by a support pivoted within the confines of the inverted U-shaped end and having an inverted U-shaped outer end adapted to the contour of the rim of a bathtub, and the said rectangular holder having a raised and centrally located rectangular portion, having a rectangular recess therein, each end of which is provided with an internal elongated recess, in which is swingably mounted the outer end of a cantilever type of projection secured to the lower end of a rectangular lid having a mirror secured to the underside thereof in order that a person sitting in the said bathub on which rest the said bathtub accessory with the said lid in an open position, may see his face in the said mirror, and the said rectangular holder also having a plurality of rectangular recesses on each side of the said centrally located rectangular portion.

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