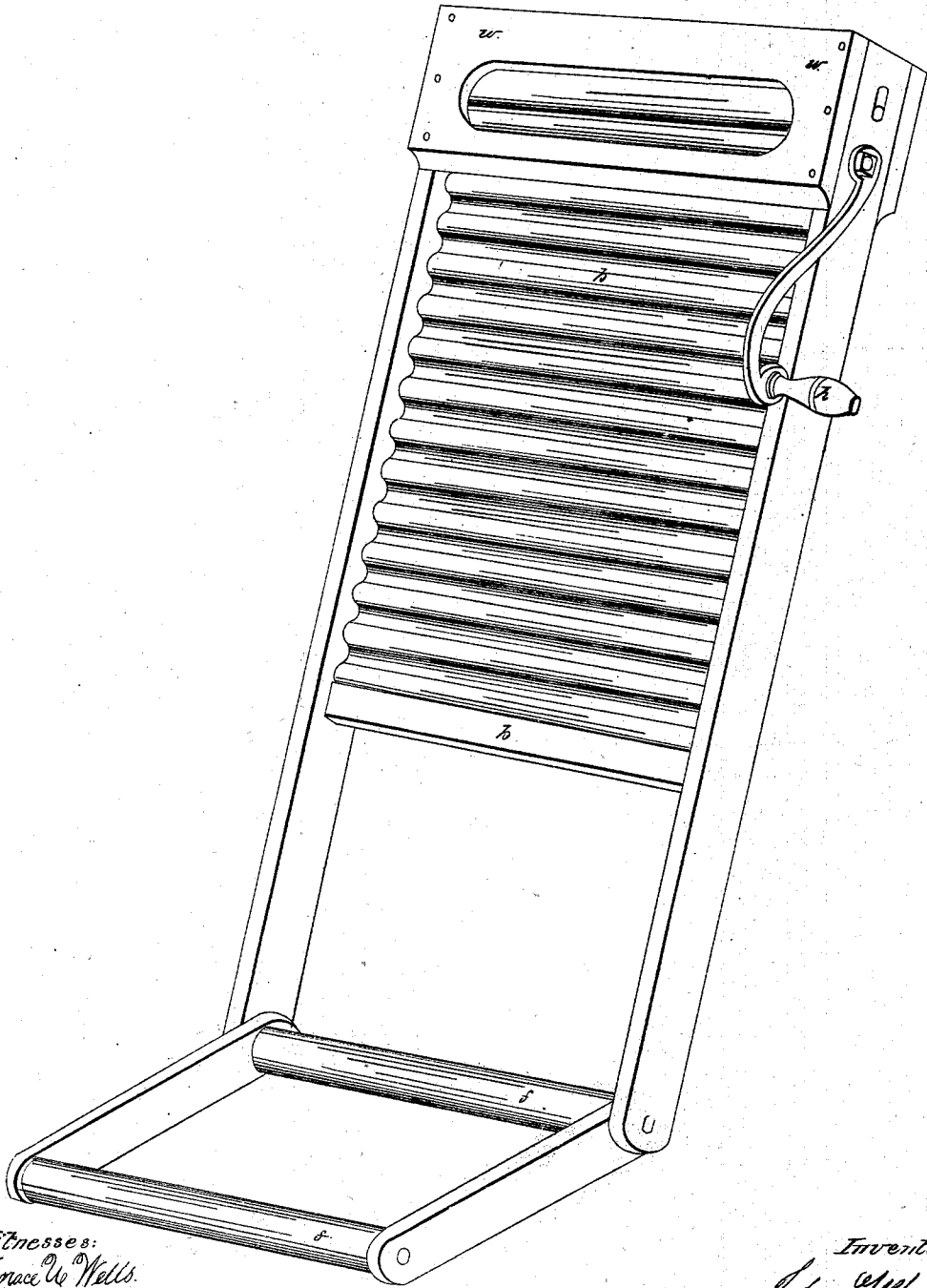


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IMPROVED WASH-BOARD AND WRINGER.

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SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, JOHN WHEELER, of Augusta, in the county of Kennebec, in the State of Maine, have made a new and useful improvement in apparatus for Washing and Wringing Clothes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings making a part of this specification.

B B represents the wash-board; W W the wringer; F F the folding-frame; H the handle to the wringer. I construct my wash-board, B B, in the ordinary way of the grooved board, the side-pieces extending sufficiently above the board, to give a bearing to the rollers. The wringer, W W, consists of two rollers, the shaft of the lower one passing directly through the side-pieces, and the upper moving in sliding boxes, and acted upon by a spring attached to the under side of the cap-piece, (not seen in figure). The folding-frame, F F, composed of four rails, the sides being flat and the cross-bars turned, is made of the proper size to fill the space below the board, and is attached by pins to the lower end of side-pieces. The apparatus when used is to be placed in the wash-tub, its lower end bearing on the bottom and its upper part resting on the edge of the tub. The board, B B, can then be used in the usual way. When ready for the wringer, the folding-frame, F F, is thrown outward, bearing on the bottom and pressing against the side of the tub. By so doing the apparatus is raised sufficiently for operating the wringer, and at the same time supported at its foot. The wringer can be used in the usual way without any other fastening.

What I claim as my improvement, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of wringer and wash-board, in connection with the folding-frame, as and for the purposes herein named.

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