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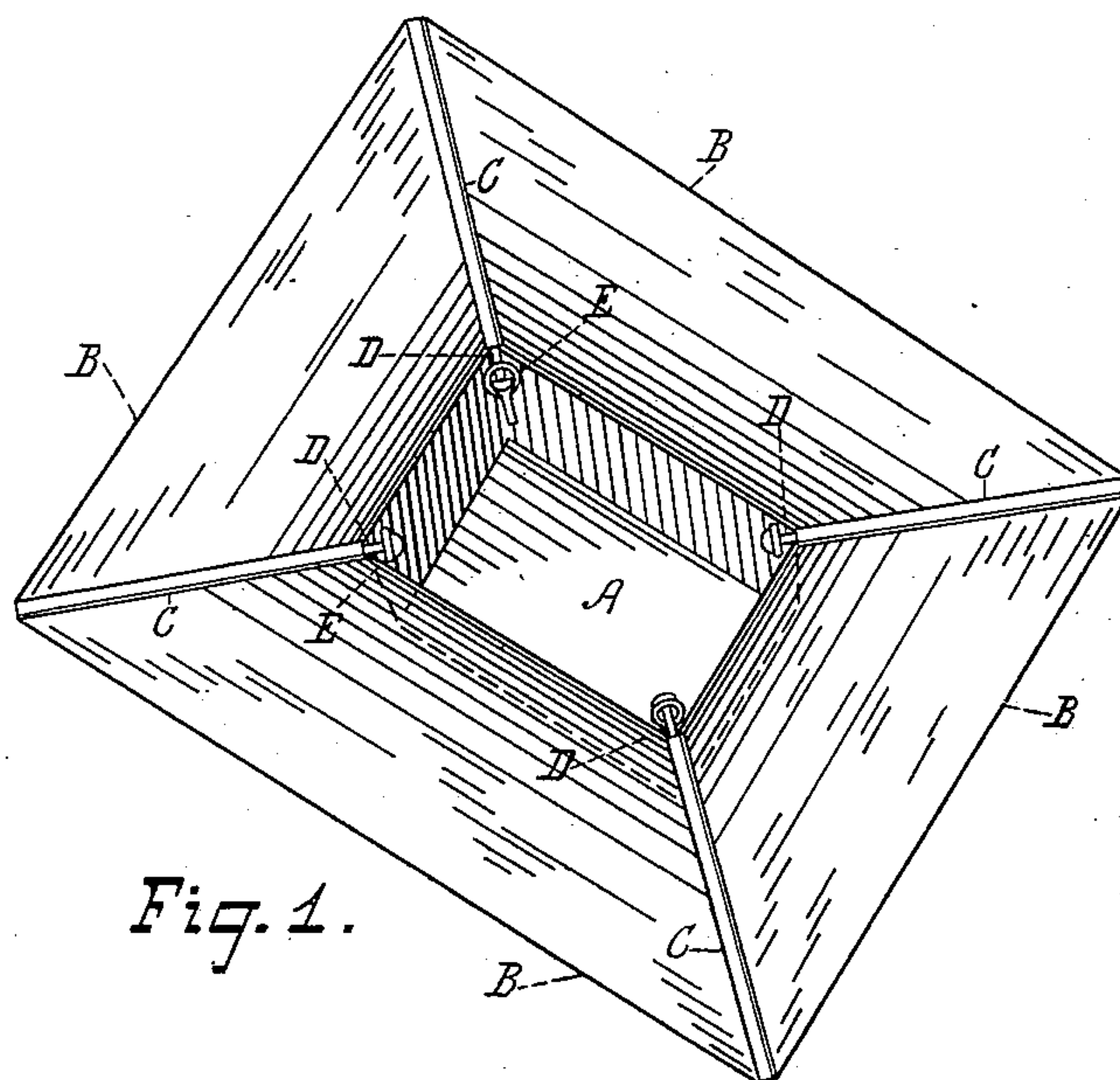


Fig. 1.

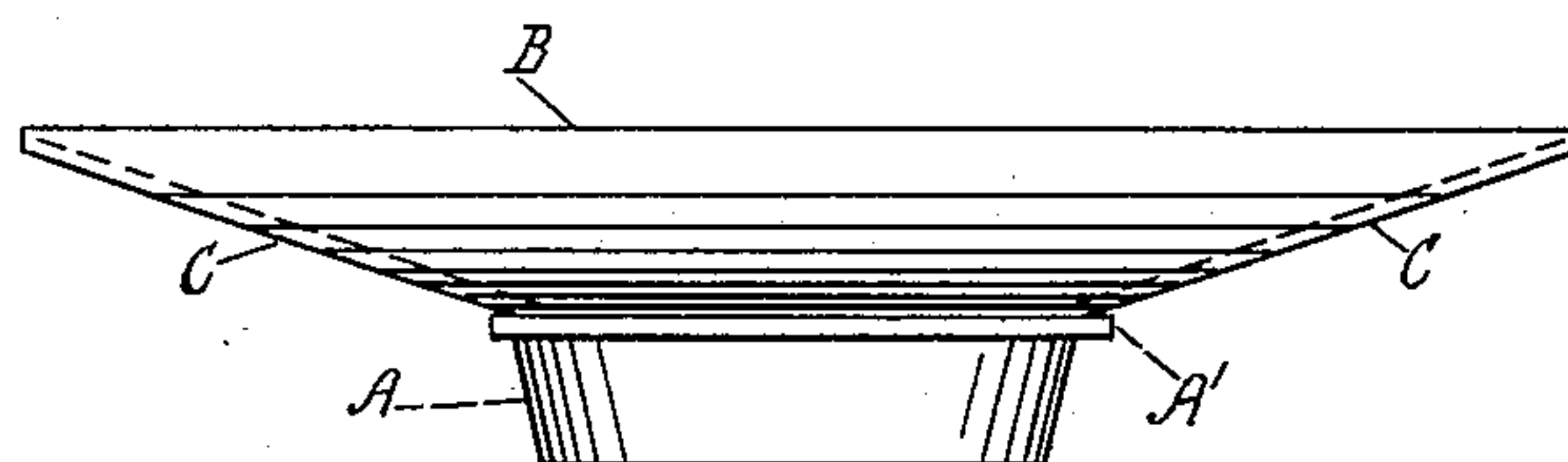


Fig. 2.

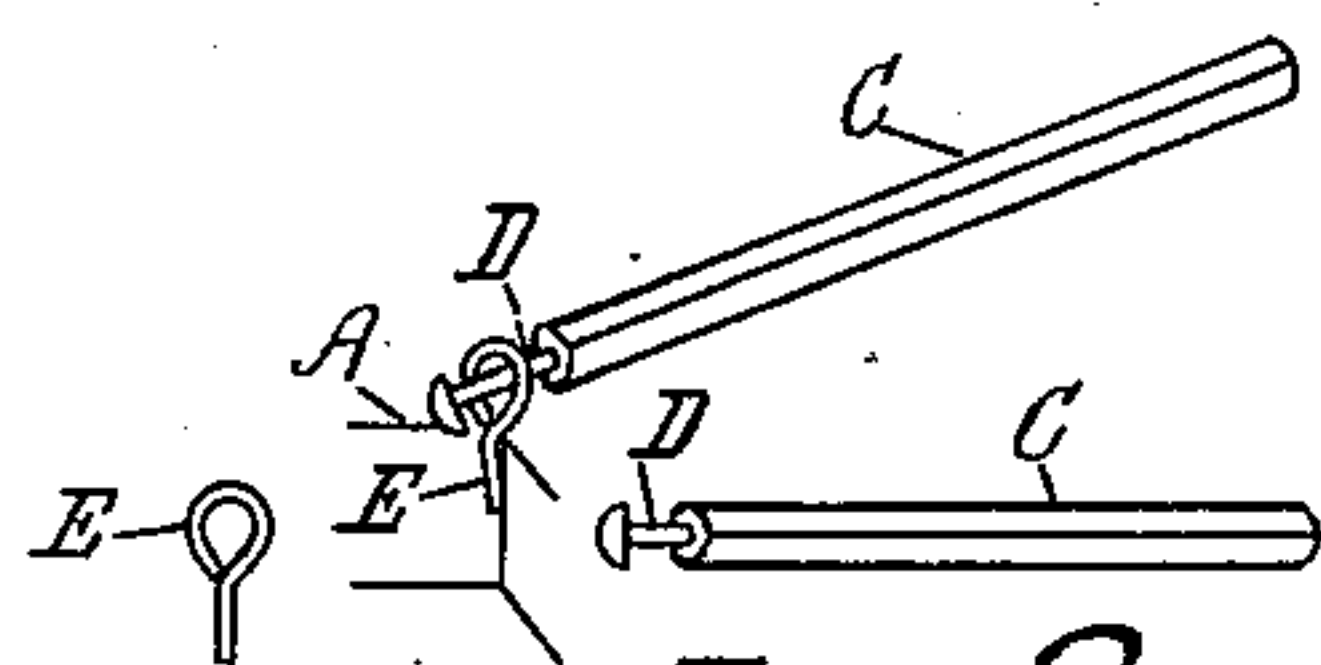


Fig. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN HOOPER CROCKER, tinsmith, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, and a resident of the village of Brussels, in the county of Huron, in the Province of Ontario, in the Dominion of Canada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements on Baths, of which the following is a specification.

10 This invention relates to improvements on a vessel in which the whole or part of a person may be washed or bathed; and this invention consists of a bath-pan provided with water-guards which prevent the water from
15 splashing out on the floor when using a force-pump to spray the water over a person when taking a shower-bath; and it also consists of devices by which the said guards may be readily and easily attached to or detached from
20 the bath-pan, so that when the guards are removed from the bath-pan they may be rolled or folded up so as to occupy only a very small space when not in use.

The construction will be more particularly explained with reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein—

30 Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention attached to a bath-pan. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of same. Fig. 3 shows enlarged detail views of the wire loop and screw with an enlarged head which connects the water-guards to the bath-pan.

In the accompanying drawings, the bath-pan A for holding the bath-water is shown in
35 the form of an oblong square; but this bath-pan A may be constructed round, square, or in any other suitable shape and of any suitable material. This bath-pan A is provided with an outwardly-projecting flange, A', which
40 extends around the said bath-pan A at the upper edge, which is for the purpose of preventing the water from splashing out between the bath-pan A and guards B B B B onto the floor.

45 B B B B are water-guards, constructed of oil-cloth, canvas, rubber cloth, or any other suitable material. The adjacent ends of these water-guards are cut tapering, so that the inner sides of the water-guards will extend a
50 short distance within the bath-pan. At the same time the outer sides of the water-guards

will be large enough to cover sufficient area around the bath-pan A, so that when using the shower-bath there will be no danger of wetting the floor, as the spray is caught by
55 these water-guards B B B B and reconducted back again into the bath-pan A.

C C C C are guard-supports, constructed of narrow strips of wood or other suitable material, to which the water-guards B B B B are
60 secured. A greater or less number of these guard-supports and water-guards may be used so long as there are a sufficient number to retain the water-guards in a sloping position toward the bath-pan A.

65 D is a screw or bolt or other similar device, provided with an enlarged head. This screw D is not screwed into the guard-support up to its head; but part of the shank of this screw D to which the enlarged head is secured
70 projects from the guard-support C.

E is a wire loop soldered or otherwise rigidly secured to the inside of the bath-pan A near the upper edge. These wire loops E E are secured in the bath-pan opposite the ends of
75 the guard-supports C C C C.

When it is desired to attach the water-guards B B B B to the bath-pan A, the enlarged heads of the screws D D D D are inserted in the wire loops E E E E, and on
80 spreading the water-guards B B B B out they assume a sloping position toward the bath-pan A, the said guard-supports C C C C retaining the water-guards in the proper sloping position at the same time as the tension of the water-guards on each other is holding them up.

To get in or out of the bath-pan A when the water-guards B B B B are attached, press the outside edge of one of water-guards B in toward the bath-pan A, which water-guard B,
85 being pliable and connected to the bath-pan A with loose fastenings, will fold together until it is narrow enough for the person to step over into the bath-pan A, and on releasing the water-guards when in the bath-pan A they
90 will adjust themselves to their former position, so that the water-guards are self-adjusting.

To sit down in the bath-pan when the water-guards are on, place a stool at the end of the bath-pan, so that top of stool will touch the
100 water-guards.

By raising up and drawing out the enlarged

heads of the screws D D D D out of the wire loops E E E E, the water-guards may be readily detached from the bath-pan A, and when the water-guards are detached the bath-pan 5 may be used for children's bath or foot-bath, as required.

When the water-guards are detached from the bath-pan A, they may be folded together, so that the bathing apparatus when not in use 10 will only occupy a very small space.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

The combination of the water-guards B B B B, attached to the guard-supports C C C C, screws D D D D, each provided with an en- 15 larged head, and wireloops E E E E, with the bath-pan A, provided with flange A', substantially as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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