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PROTECTOR FOR WASH BOARDS.

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Fig. 1.

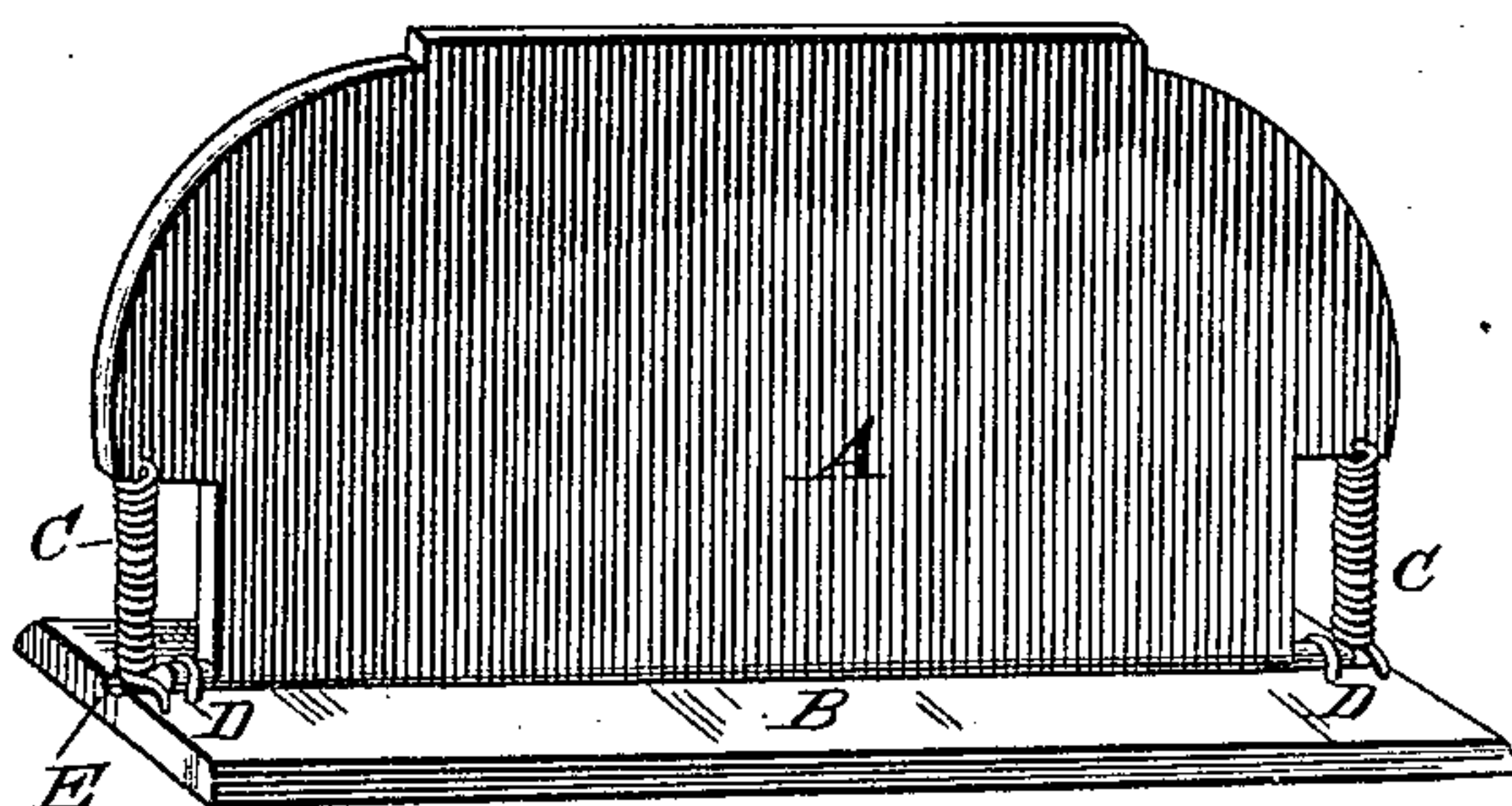


Fig. 2.

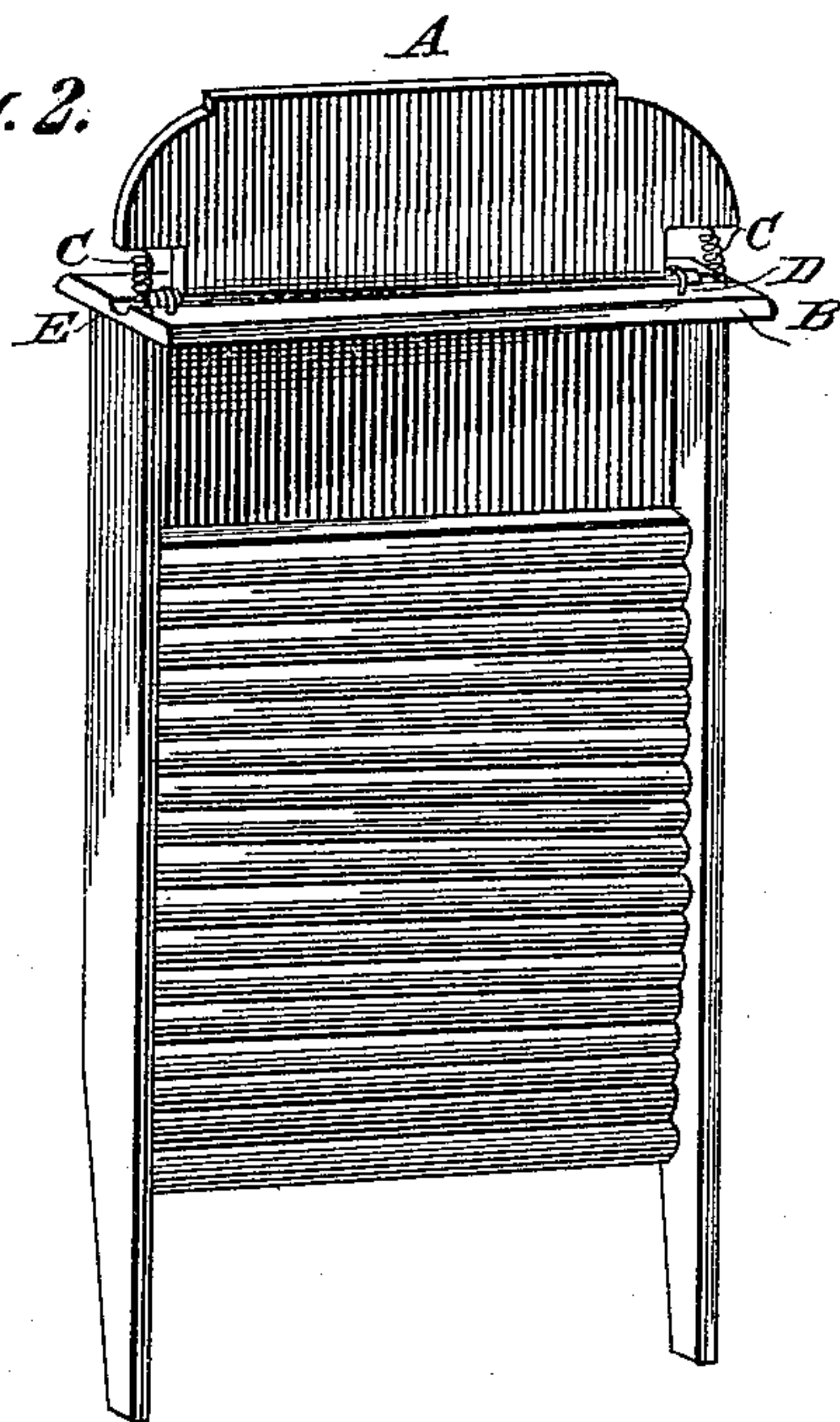
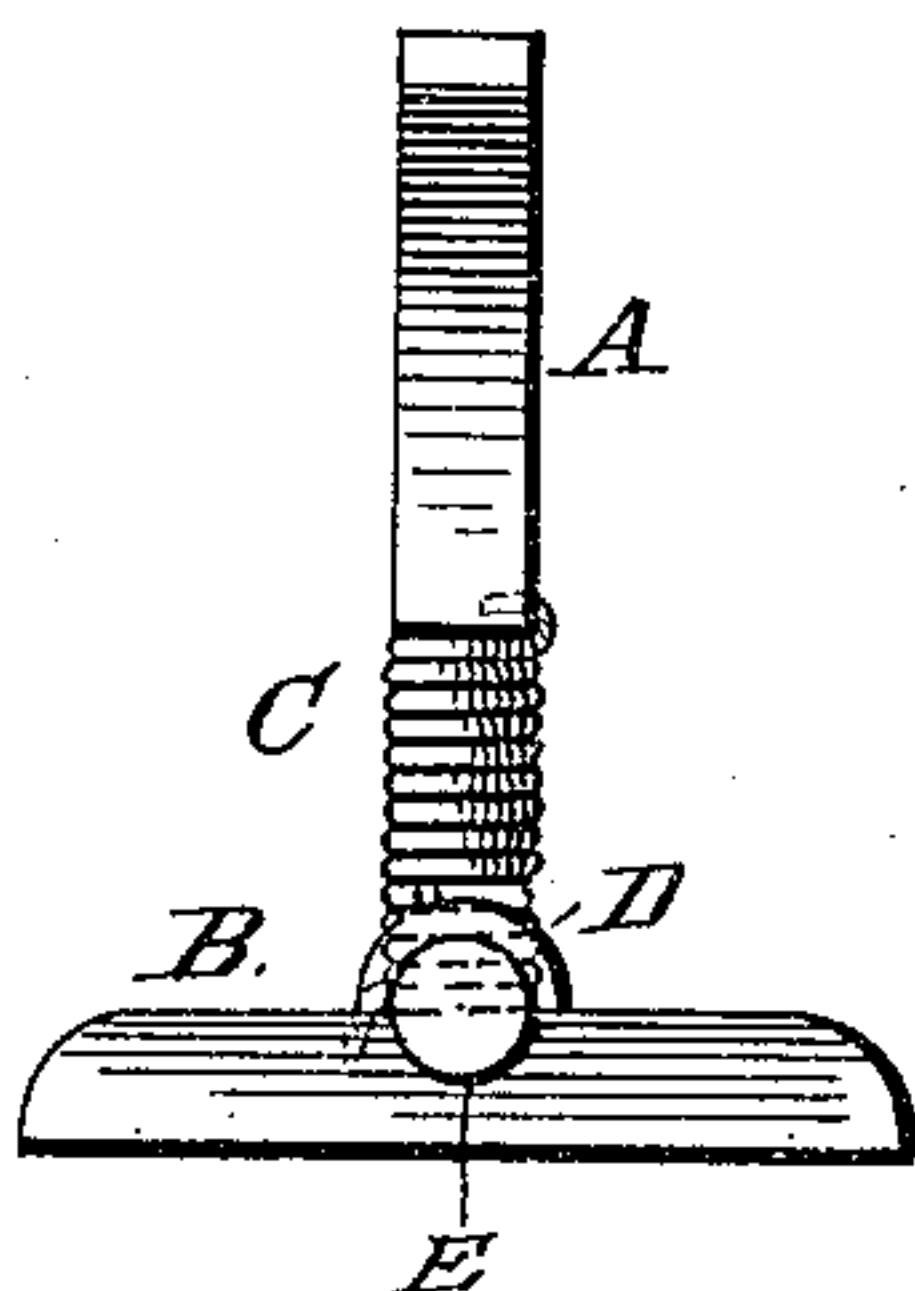


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELBERT E. ALDERMAN, of the town of Portville, in the county of Cattaraugus and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Protector for Wash-Boards, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to a protector that can be attached to any wash-board, and that has a reacting movement that is regulated by the movement of the operator.

The object is to protect the front of the wash-woman's clothes from the spattering water, and still, by the yielding and reacting movement of the protector, to permit the body of the wash-woman to descend far enough to permit the proper use of the hands in the tub.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my protector when detached from the wash-board. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view of my protector when attached to the wash-board. Fig. 3 is an end view of the protector.

A in the accompanying drawings represents the protector, which is made of wood or

some other light material, attached to the base B by two coil-springs, C C, and by two rings or hinges, D D. The base B has a groove, as shown at E E, in which the bottom of protector A works, thus keeping the water from running from one side to the other. The coil-springs C C are so attached to the protector A and to the base B that they hold the protector A in an upright position, and also allow it to swing on the rings or hinges D D as the body of the operator bears against it, and swings back to an upright position when the pressure ceases. The base B is attached to the top of the wash-board by means of hooks, screws, or clamps, and can be detached for shipping or packing at any time.

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

In a wash-board protector, the combination, with the base B, having the groove E, of the protector A, resting in said groove, and the hinges D and springs C, connecting said base and protector, substantially as described.

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