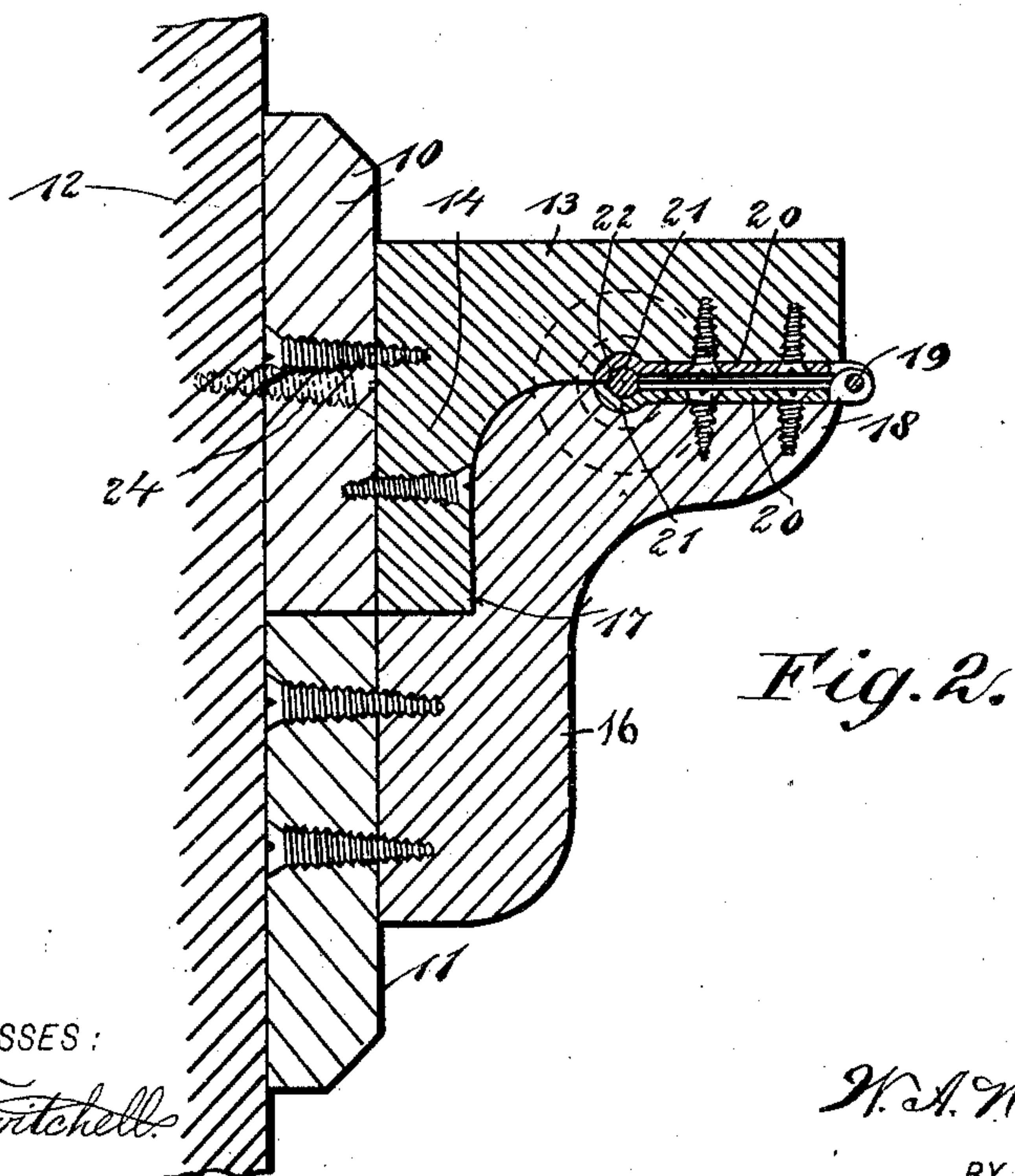
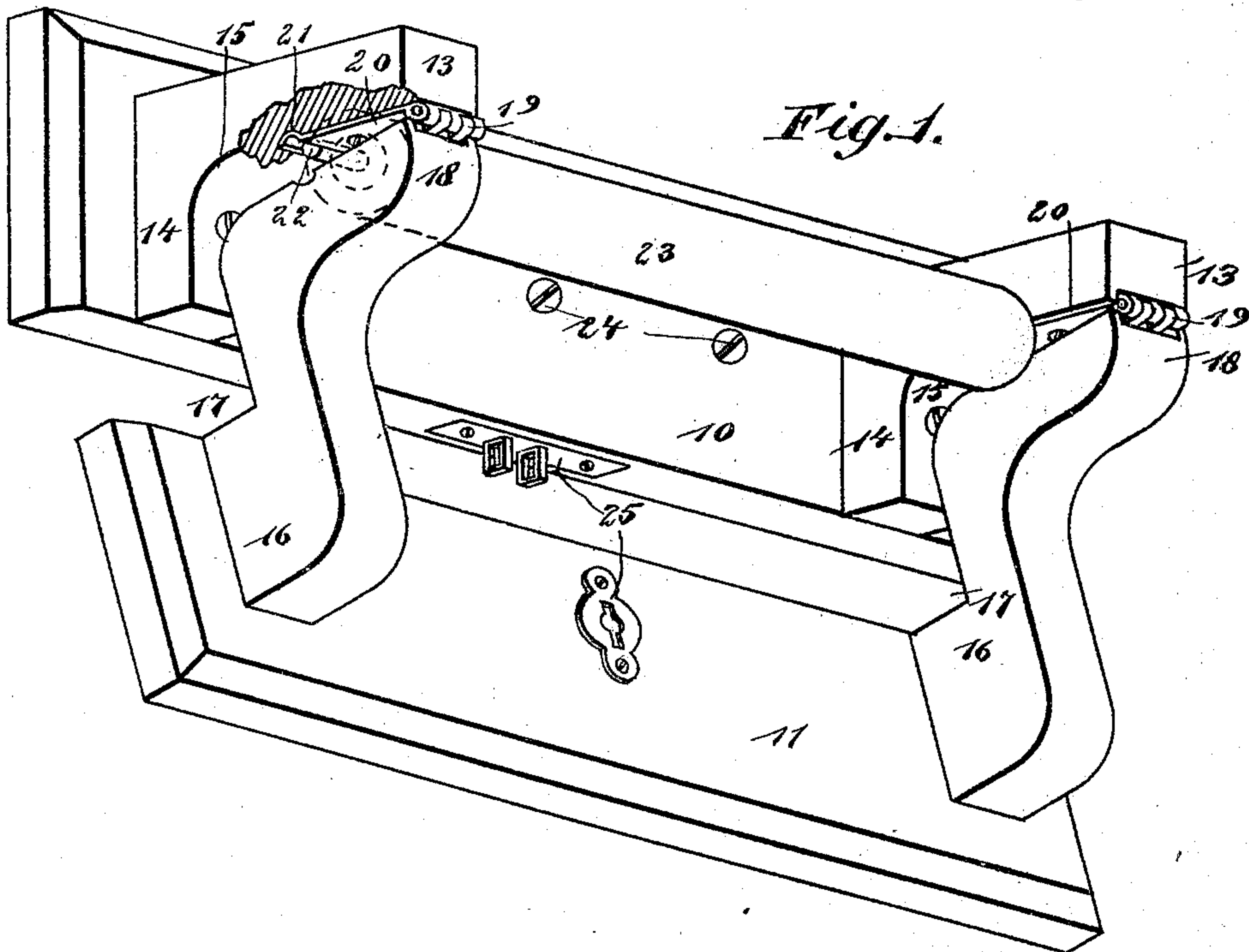


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. NEIDHARDT, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Towel-Bracket, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to improvements in towel-brackets such as are adapted to support a roller-towel.

10 The object of my invention is to produce a towel-bracket which is especially applicable for use in public places where the brackets are likely to be stolen and to construct the bracket so that it may be securely locked in  
15 place and cannot be removed except by unlocking it.

A further object of my invention is to produce a bracket which may be used anywhere and which will form a very convenient support for a roller-towel.

To this end my invention consists of certain features of construction and combinations of parts, which will be hereinafter described and claimed.

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

30 Figure 1 is a broken perspective view of the towel-bracket embodying my invention; and Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-section of the same, showing the bracket supported upon a wall.

The bracket is provided with a two-part wall-plate, the upper part 10 being adapted to be fixed to a supporting-wall 12 and the lower part 11 being held to swing downward and outward from the upper part. Near the ends of the upper part 10 of the wall-plate are outwardly-extending arms 13, which are widened  
40 at the base 14, so as to enable them to be firmly secured to the wall-plate, and the under sides of the arms are concave, as shown at 15. The swinging part 11 of the wall-plate is also provided with arms 16, which are bent outward and upward, and these arms are cut away, as shown at 17, so as to enable them to fit snugly over the lower ends of the arms 13, as shown in Fig. 2, and the arms 16 have their inner sides shaped so as to fit into the concave portion of the arms 13.  
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The extreme outer ends 18 of the arms 16 are connected with the outer ends of the arms

13 by hinges 19, the butts 20 of which are let into the abutting surfaces of the arms 13 and 16 and extend inward, the butts being oppositely curved near their inner ends, so as to form boxes 21, adapted to embrace and form a bearing for the trunnions 22 on the ends of the roller 23. This arrangement prevents the trunnions from wearing into the arms 16. 55 60

The fixed portion 10 of the wall-plate is secured to the wall by screws 24, which are placed so as to come immediately behind the roller 23, and they are thus prevented from being reached by a screw-driver, and the arms 13 and 16 are also secured together by screws, which are arranged so that when the bracket is locked in position the screws will be concealed—that is to say, the arms 13 are fastened by screws extending through the concave portions of the arms, and the arms 16 are secured by screws extending through from the back of the swinging member 11 of the wall-plate. Screws are also passed through part 10 from the rear into arms 13. The parts 10 and 11 of the wall-plate are secured together by the lock 25, which may be of any approved construction. 65 70 75

When a towel is to be placed upon the bracket, the lock 25 is unlocked, the part 11 of the wall-plate is swung downward and outward, the roller 23 removed, the towel placed upon the roller, the roller again placed upon the bracket with its trunnions resting in the boxes 21, and the parts 10 and 11 are again locked together, and from the foregoing description it will be seen that when the parts are locked the bracket cannot be taken down except by first unlocking it. 80 85

Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent— 90

1. A towel-bracket comprising a two-part wall-plate, one part being fixed and having outwardly-extending arms and the other part having outwardly-extending arms hinged to the arms of the fixed portion of the plate, the abutting arms being adapted to support a roller at its ends between their adjacent faces, the space between the two pairs of arms being open to permit a towel to depend from said roller, substantially as described. 95 100

2. A towel-bracket comprising a wall-plate having a fixed and a swinging member, out-

wardly-extending arms secured to the fixed member, outwardly-extending arms secured to the swinging member and hinged to the arms of the fixed member, bearing-boxes between the fixed and swinging arms, a removable roller journaled at its ends in the bearings, the space between the two pairs of arms being open to permit a towel to depend from the roller, and a lock to secure the two members of the wall-plate together, substantially as described.

3. The combination of a separable wall-

plate, separable arms hinged together at their outer ends and secured to the parts of the wall-plate, and a roller having trunnions to turn in the arms, the hinges of the arms having their butts shaped to form bearing-boxes for the roller-trunnions, substantially as described.

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