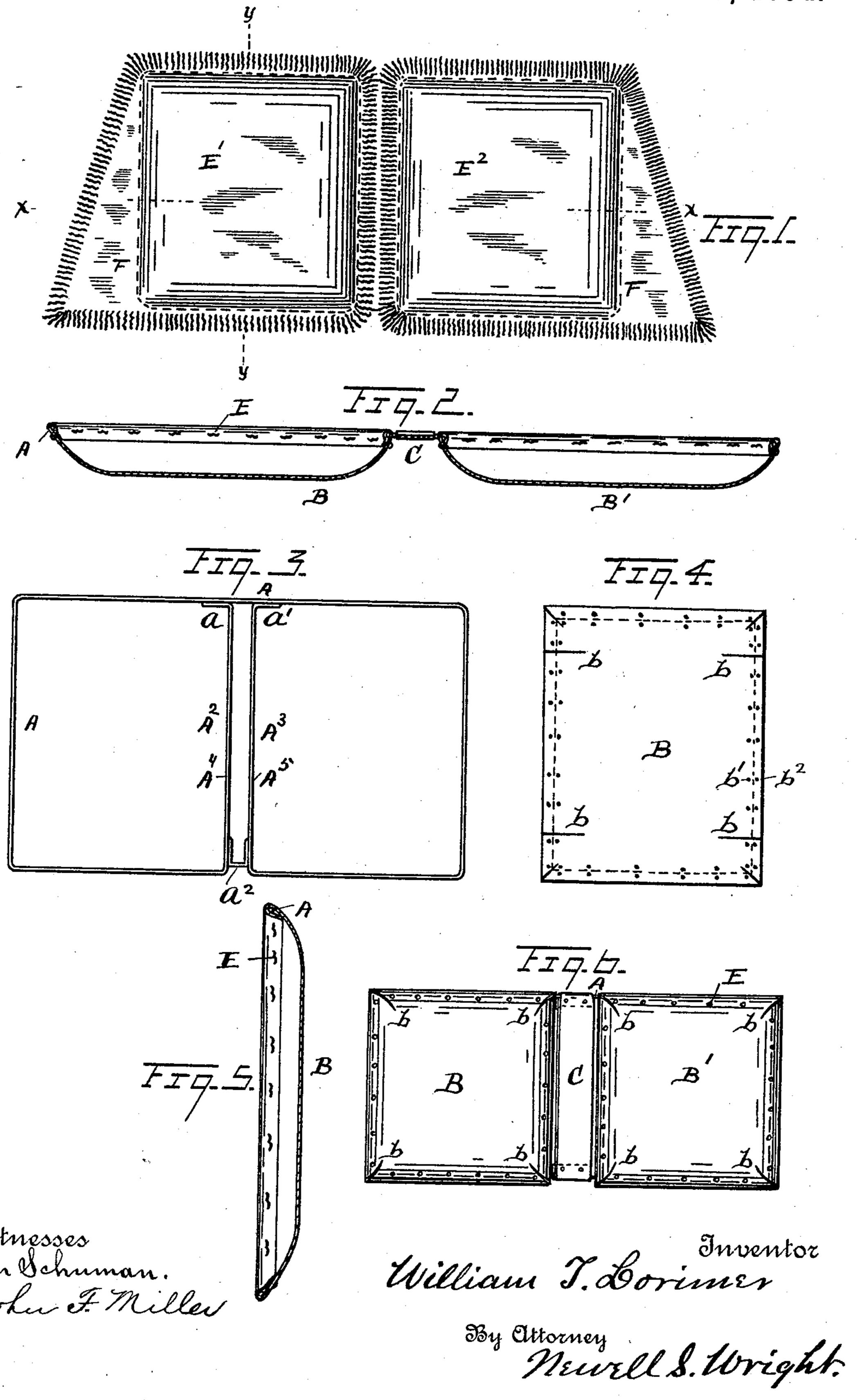
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM T. LORIMER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Sham Pillows; and I declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention has for its object to provide as a novel article of manufacture, a sham pillow, and it consists of the devices and appliances, their construction, combination and arrangement as hereinafter specified and claimed, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal cross section on the line x-x Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a separate view of the frame. Fig. 4 is a separate view of one of the pillow sham forms. Fig. 5 is a cross section at right angles to Fig. 2, on the line y-y Fig. 1. Fig. 6 is a plan view of the device, the shams being omitted.

The purpose of my invention is to provide a sham pillow which when in place, shall have all the appearance of an actual pillow, and which may be preferably removed entirely from the bed. To this end my invention contemplates an article of this class, which will be simple, economical and efficient.

I carry out my invention as follows: A represents a frame, preferably made of wire, to form two sham pillows, in connection with other parts united therewith. The entire frame for the double sham pillows is prefer-40 ably made of a single piece of wire, bent as shown in the drawings, that is, the central portion forming one side of each of the two squares, and also means for connecting them together, and each end of the wire being bent 45 into proper form, as a square for instance, the wire being brought back so that the two squares are nearly in contact with each other and the ends of the wire are carried in parallel with each other and united in any proper 50 manner, as by soldering to the adjacent longitudinal portion A' of said frame at a slight distance from each other. It makes no differ-1

ence however, whether said longitudinal portion A' forming one side of each square or sham pillow frame forms the lower or upper 55 portion thereof. The two extremities as so shaped form two parallel sides of the two sham pillow frames, which frames may be designated by the letters A² and A³. To facilitate the union of said extremities to the bar or side 6c A', I prefer to bend said extremities at right angles as shown at "a" and "a"." Between said parallel sides which are designated by the letters A⁴ and A⁵, and toward the opposite side of the double frames, I locate an an- 65 gular brace " a^2 ," which may be united to the sides A⁴, A⁵ in any suitable manner, as by soldering the same. Upon each portion A² A³ of this double frame, I engage pillow forms B and B' respectively. These forms may be 70 constructed of any suitable material. For example I may employ sheets of paper of suitable heft in the construction thereof. Thus a sheet of paper may be suitably shaped by slitting the same at or toward the four cor- 75 ners thereof, as shown at "b." The sheet may then be readily pressed or shaped into desired form to give it the proper appearance outwardly of a pillow. I do not limit myself to any one method of engaging the pillow forms 80 upon the frame A. This may conveniently be done, however, by providing the edges of the paper with two rows of perforations "b'" and " b^2 ." The edges of the paper are then folded over the corresponding sides of the 85 wire frame between said rows of perforations, so as to bring the perforations of the outer row co-incident with the perforations of the inner row. Any suitable staple E or other fastener may then be inserted in the coinci- 90 dent perforations to hold the pillow form upon the frame. As so constructed the form may readily be removed from the frame in case it is desired to renew it, and to apply another in its place. I prefer to engage upon the frame 95 an intermediate panel C the ends of which may be properly engaged upon the adjacent portions of the frame. Upon the outer face of these pillow forms I engage pillow shams E' and E² in any suitable manner. For ex- 100 ample the staples or fasteners E heretofore referred to inserted in the coincident perforations of the form may be passed through the shams, or a suitable number of them, to

hold the shams firmly in engagement with the forms, so that they will not slip out of place or become disarranged. The frame with said forms and shams being all thus united, are simultaneously removable, making it convenient to handle the entire device. The intermediate panel C supports the inner edges of the shams in a tasteful manner, so as to conceal the bed therebeneath. At the outer edges of the frame A, I design to locate an angular or other suitably shaped hanging F, to fall down over the frame at the end thereof, to conceal the side of the bed thereat. These

hangings may be engaged upon the frame in any suitable manner. Thus they may be stitched to and form a part of the shams E' and E², or they may be separately attached upon the frame, or the adjacent form, as may

be preferred.

I would have it understood that I do not limit myself solely to the particular construction of the frame hereinbefore described, nor to that of the sham pillow forms. It will be evident that the whole structure is light and easily handled, and may be employed either

with or without underlying pillows upon the

bed.

As an article of manufacture, the frame with the sham pillow forms engaged there30 with, may be put upon the market, the purchaser to apply the sham, or the completed

device with shams attached, may be sold to the purchaser.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. In a removable sham pillow, the combination, with a frame of two forms secured thereto, said frame consisting of a single piece of wire, the central portion of which forms one side each of two squares, and the ends of the wire being bent to form the other sides 40 of the squares, and being secured to the central portion adjacent to each other, substantially as set forth

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2. In a removable sham pillow, the combination, with a frame, comprising a single piece 45 of wire the central portion of which forms one side each of two squares and also the means of connecting them together, the ends of the wire being bent to form the other sides of the squares and secured to the central portion at 50 a slight distance apart, of an angular brace between the ends of the wire adjacent the sides of the frame opposite the central portion of the wire, a form on each square and a panel on the brace and the central portion of 55 the main wire, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I sign this specifica-

tion in the presence of two witnesses.

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