

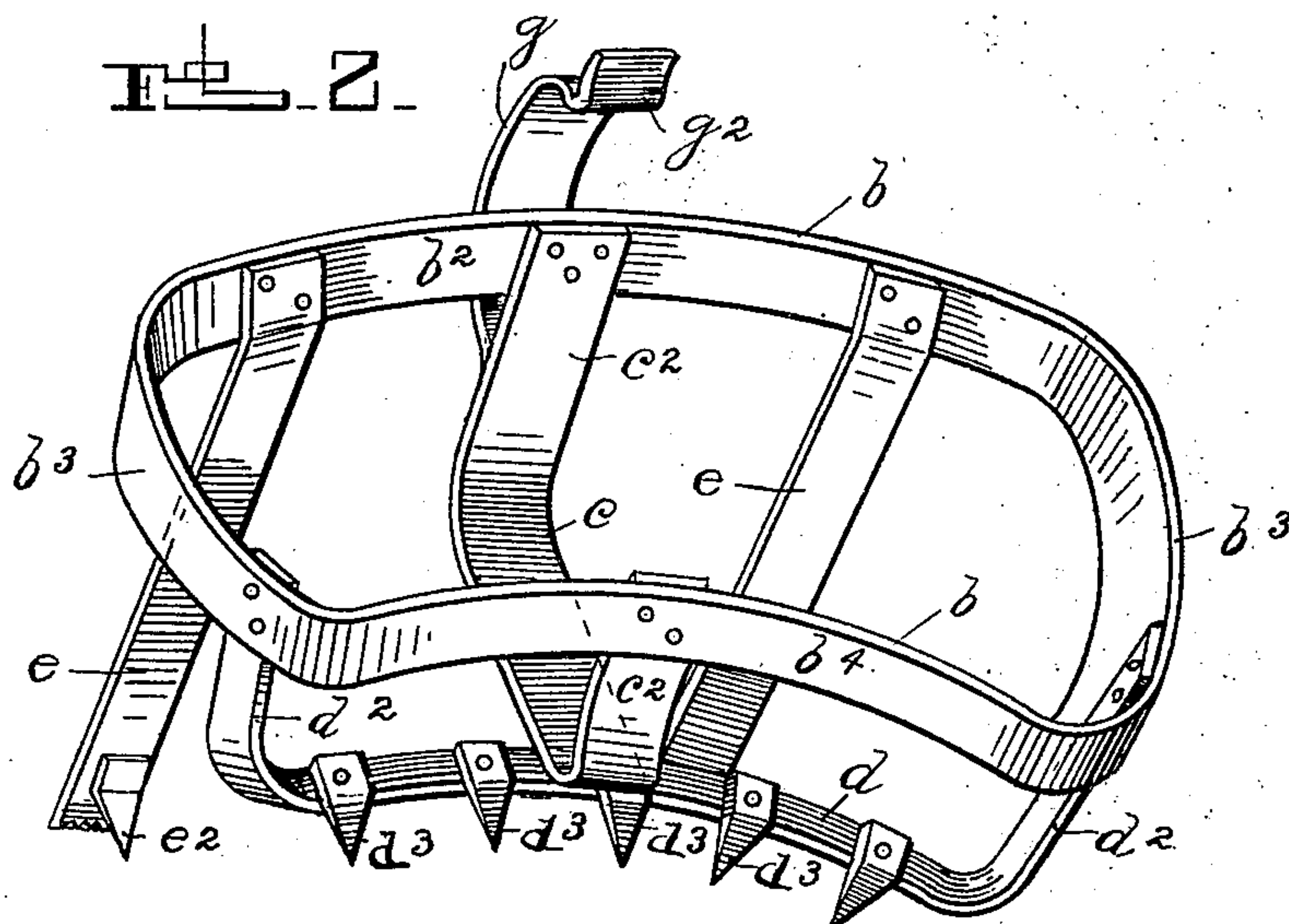
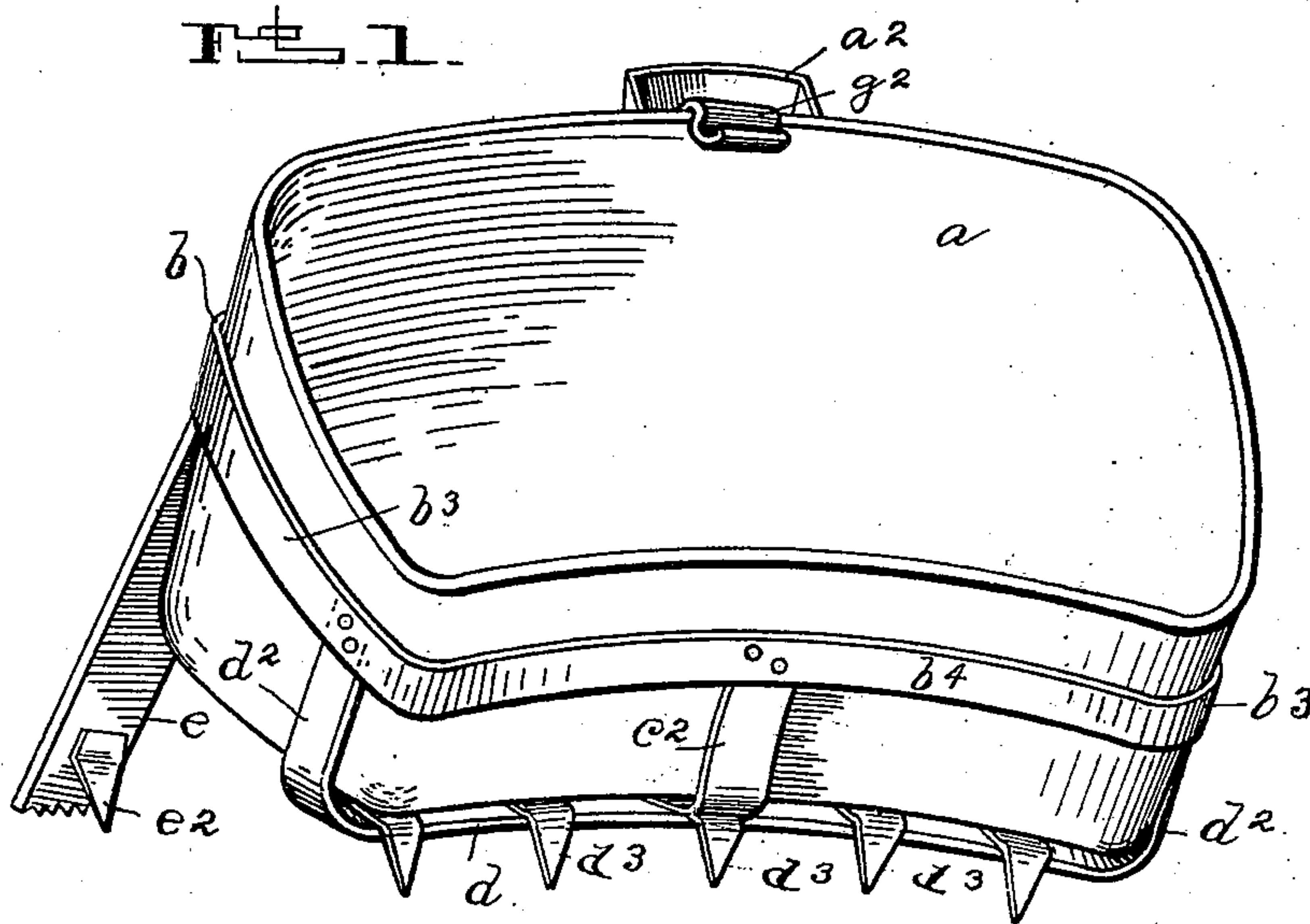
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SIDE BED-PAN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SUSAN C. WOLFSKILL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Winters, in the county of Yolo and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Side Bed-Pans, of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to side bed-pans for use by invalids, such as is described and claimed in United States Patent No. 547,314, granted to me October 1, 1895; and the object thereof is to provide a basket or frame for holding a pan of this class in proper position and to prevent it from slipping backwardly from the patient while in use.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a side bed-pan of the class described in the patent referred to and mounted in my improved basket or frame, and Fig. 2 a perspective view of the basket or frame detached.

In the drawings forming part of this specification the separate parts of my improvement are designated by the same letters of reference in each of the views, and in Fig. 1 of the drawings I have shown at *a* a bed-pan of the form described and claimed in the patent referred to, and in Fig. 2 my improved basket or frame for supporting and holding said pan when in use. The basket or frame is preferably composed of strips of thin or sheet metal and is oblong in form and higher at the back than at the front and consists of a top band *b*, comprising a back portion *b*², end portions *b*³, and a front portion *b*⁴. The separate end portions are connected near the front by a bottom strip *d*, having upwardly-directed end portions *d*², which are riveted or otherwise secured to the end portions *b*³ of the top band, as shown in the drawings, and said bottom strip *d* is provided with prongs *d*³, which are secured thereto and project downwardly therefrom. The front and back portions of the top band are also connected by a transverse strip *c*, having upwardly-directed end portions *c*², riveted or otherwise secured to the top band, and connected with the back portion *b* of the top band adjacent to

each end of the basket or frame are downwardly and backwardly inclined legs *e*, which are also provided at their lower ends with downwardly-directed prongs *e*².

The pan *a* is provided at the back with a loop-shaped handle *a*², and secured to the basket or frame or to the central transverse strip *c* thereof is a spring-handle *g*, having a forwardly and downwardly curved hook *g*² at its upper end, and this hook is adapted to engage the back upper rim of the pan *a* when the latter is in position in the basket or frame.

The use of this device is the same as that described and claimed in the patent referred to, and the object of the prongs *d*³ and *e*² and the backwardly-directed legs *e* is to prevent the pan from sliding backwardly when in use, and thus defeating the object for which it is intended.

It will be observed that the front side of the basket or frame is much lower than the rear side, and said front side of said basket or frame is curved downwardly and backwardly, so as to correspond with the shape of the pan *a*, which is similarly formed.

This device is simple in construction and operation and perfectly adapted to accomplish the result for which it is intended, and it will be apparent that changes in and modifications of the construction described may be made without departing from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

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

1. A basket or frame adapted to hold a side bed-pan, said frame being higher at the back than at the front, and being provided with devices to prevent it from slipping, and also with means for holding the pan therein, substantially as shown and described.

2. A basket or frame for the purpose specified, which is oblong in form and lower at the front than at the back, and provided at the back with downwardly and backwardly directed legs, substantially as shown and described.

3. A basket or frame for the purpose specified, which is oblong in form and lower at the front than at the back, and provided at the back with downwardly and backwardly directed legs, said basket or frame being pro-

vided at the bottom of the front thereof with downwardly-directed prongs, substantially as shown and described.

4. A basket or frame of the class described
5 oblong in form and lower at the front than at the back, the front thereof being curved downwardly and backwardly, said frame being also provided at the back with downwardly and backwardly directed legs, and said
10 legs being provided at the lower ends, and the bottom front portion of the frame being also provided with downwardly - directed prongs, substantially as shown and described.

5. A basket or frame of the class described
15 oblong in form and lower at the front than at the back, the front thereof being curved downwardly and backwardly, said frame be-

ing also provided at the back with downwardly and backwardly directed legs, and said legs being provided at the lower ends, 20 and the bottom front portion of the frame being also provided with downwardly-directed prongs, and said frame being provided with means for holding a pan therein, substantially as shown and described. 25

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 31st day of July, 1900.

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