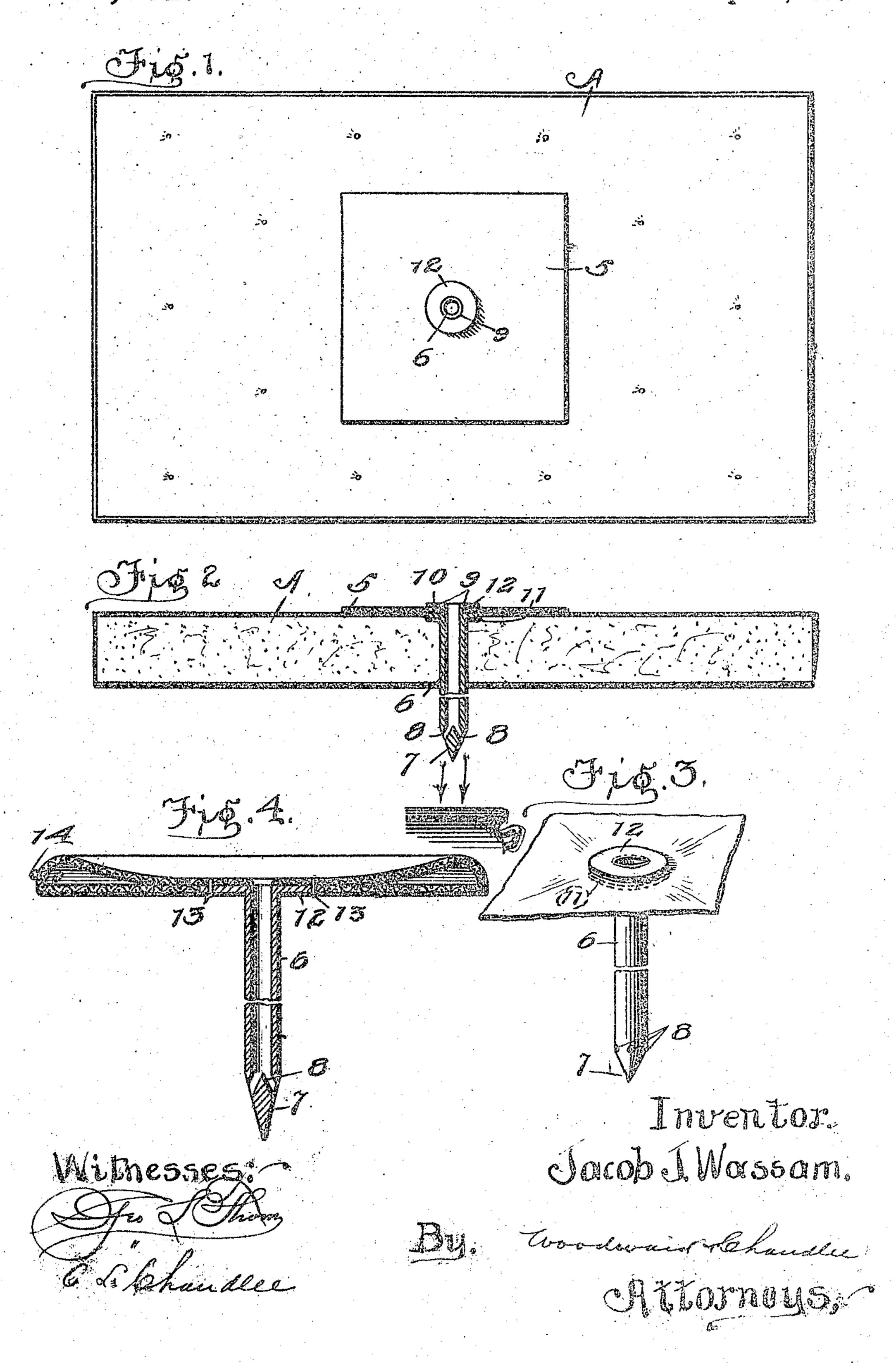
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACOB J. WASSAM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cabool, in the county of Texas and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bed-Protectors, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bed-protectors especially adapted for use upon mattresses of cribs, sick beds or the like, and has for an object to provide a device of this character which will be simple in construction, and which may be applied to mattresses without serious injury thereto.

other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description and it will be understood that changes in the specific structure shown and described may be made within the scope of the claims without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a top plan view of a mattress showing the application of the present invention thereto, Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view, Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the protector detached, Fig. 4 is a sectional view of a slightly modified form of my invention.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, there is shown a bed protector comprising a cloth 5 of water proof material. and located at the center of this cloth, there 35 is shown a depending tube 6 in the form of an elongated hollow needle, having a sharpened lower end 7. The needle is provided with a plurality of discharge passages 8, at its lower end, and at the upper end, the needle is pro-40 vided with a threaded portion 9 disposed in a passage 10 formed in the cloth 5. Beneath the threaded portion 9, the needle is provided with a flange 11 which is thus disposed beneath the cloth. The threaded portion 9 45 is arranged to receive a flat nut 12 whereby the needle is securely held to the cloth. The needle or tube is thus arranged for insertion through a mattress A, as shown in the draw-

ings and extends beneath the mattress and has its lower end disposed above a bed-pan 50 or other suitable vessel.

In the form of the invention disclosed in Fig. 4 of the drawings, there is shown a receiving portion C, consisting of a lower circular section of water-proof cloth B, having a 55 relatively large central opening A, in which a circular head 12 is located, this head being carried by the needle 6. An upper section of waterproof material C, somewhat larger than the section B, is secured at its edges to sec- 60 tion B, and has its central portion disposed upon the head 12, to which it is secured by means of fastening devices 13. The section C has a central opening C' registering with the bore of the needle 6, and by reason of the 65 fact that the section C is somewhat larger than the section D, a space Z is formed at the edge portion of the receptacle C and is provided with a valve 14, through which air may be forced, the receiving portion of the 70 receptacle thus slanting toward the opening C' for the passage of liquid therethrough.

What is claimed is:

A protector comprising a water-proof sheet having a circular opening formed there- 75 in, a second water-proof sheet of greater area than the first secured at its edge portions to the edge portions of the first named sheet and having a central opening therein, a hollow needle having a circular head located in the 80 opening of the first named sheet, the hollow of the needle opening through the upper face of the head, said needle having openings at its lower end; fastening devices engaged in the head and in the second named sheet, said 85 second named sheet having an opening therein communicating with the hollow of the needle, and an air inlet valve communicating with the space between the sheets.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, so in presence of two witnesses.

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