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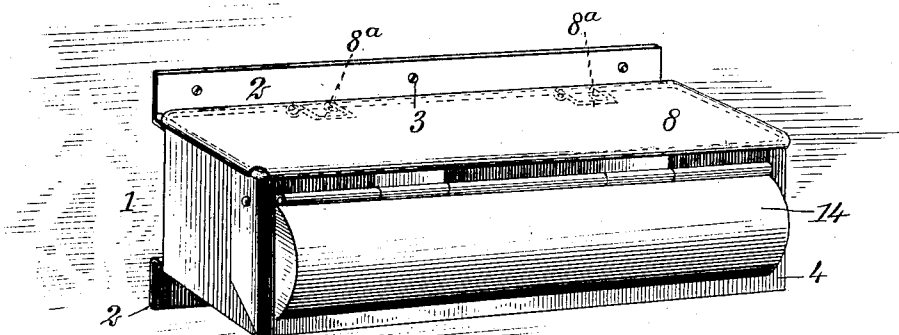


Fig. 1

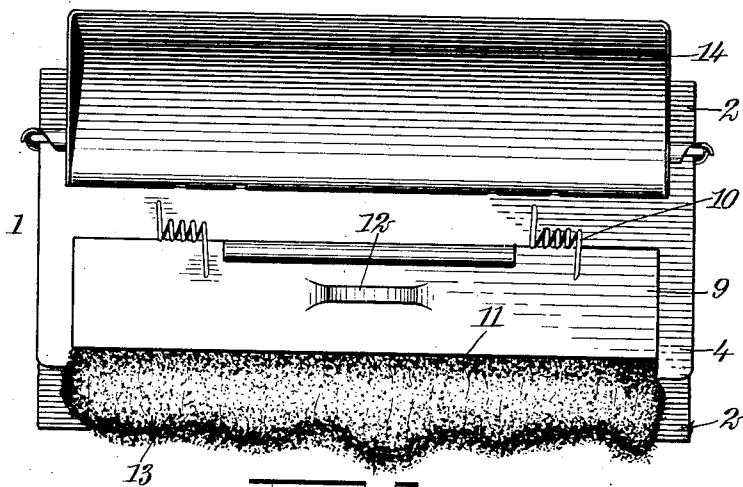


Fig. 2

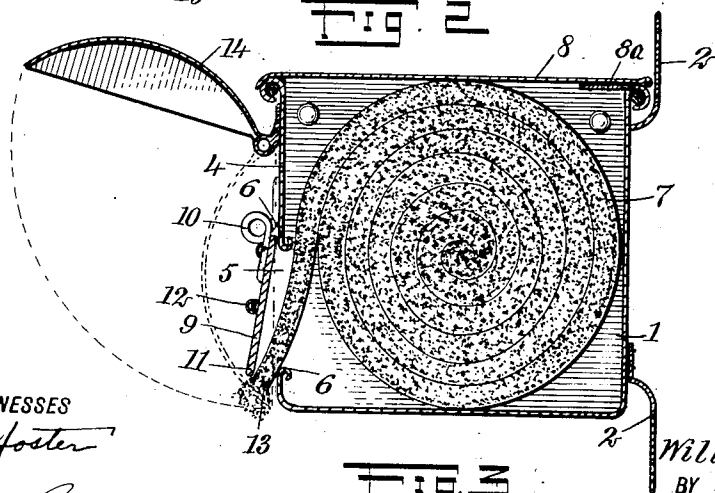


Fig. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM J. DURANT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Spencer, in the county of Clay and State of Iowa, have invented a new and Improved Holder for Absorbent Cotton, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to a holder adapted to receive a roll of absorbent cotton, and which is adapted to enable the cotton to be withdrawn as desired, while at the same time it is fully protected from dust and dirt.

The device is expected to be especially useful in the offices of surgeons and pharmacists, and in dispensaries and hospitals.

The invention consists in the construction and combination of parts to be more fully described hereinafter and particularly set forth in the claims.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective of the device, representing the same as attached to a wall; Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the device, representing the outer cover as raised; and Fig. 3 is a vertical cross section through the device and showing the manner in which the cotton may be removed, and illustrating how it is protected by the outer cover.

Referring more particularly to the parts, 1 represents the body of the device, which is adapted to be constructed of sheet metal and is in the form of an elongated box. The rear wall of this box is provided with flanges 2, which enable it to be attached to a wall by means of suitable fastening devices or screws 3. The forward wall 4 of the body is provided at its lower portion with an opening 5, the horizontal edges of which are crimped inwardly so as to form rounded lips 6 which will guide the cotton in being unrolled. The cotton is in the form of a roll 7, and is adapted to be inserted as shown. In order to enable the roll of cotton to be inserted, the lid 8 of the body is attached by means of hinges 8^a. The opening 5 is provided with a door 9 which is attached to the upper edge of the opening by resilient hinges or spring hinges 10. These spring hinges tend to keep the door closed, at which time its lower edge

11 lies near the lower edge of the opening 5, but it should not overlap the lower edge of the opening to any great extent. The outer side of the door is provided with a suitable handle 12, which enables the door to be pulled outwardly so that the loose end 13 of the raw cotton may be drawn through the lower edge of the opening 5. The lower edge of the opening 5 is elevated above the bottom of the body so that the entire opening and the door 9 therefor, may be concealed by an outer cover 14. The form of this cover is clearly illustrated in Fig. 1. It is simply an elongated member which is dished on its inner side so as to provide a space for the inner cover, and the projecting loose end of the cotton roll. This outer cover therefore excludes the dirt from the cotton. It can be raised, as indicated in Fig. 3, so as to enable the projecting loose end of the roll to be seized so as to draw out a quantity of the cotton which can then be cut or torn off. In this way the cotton roll is held so as to be readily accessible, and at the same time it is protected from dirt and from the atmosphere.

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

1. A holder for raw cotton, comprising a body having a movable lid and having means for attaching the same to a support, said body having a wall with an opening therethrough, a door for said opening, resilient means tending to close said door, and an outer cover normally covering said opening and said door.

2. A cotton holder having a body with a movable lid and having means for attaching the same to a support, said body having an opening in the forward wall thereof, a door having resilient hinges tending to close the same, and a dished cover attached to said forward wall and normally closing over said door and covering the protruding extremity of the cotton.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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