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Fig. 3.

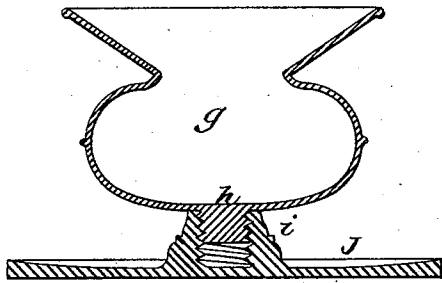


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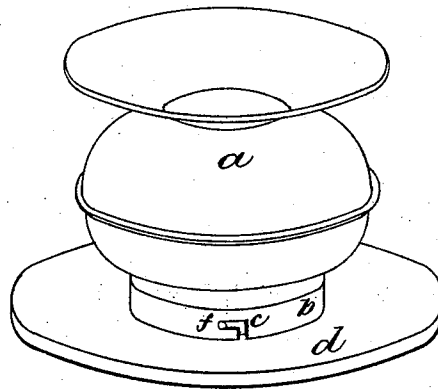
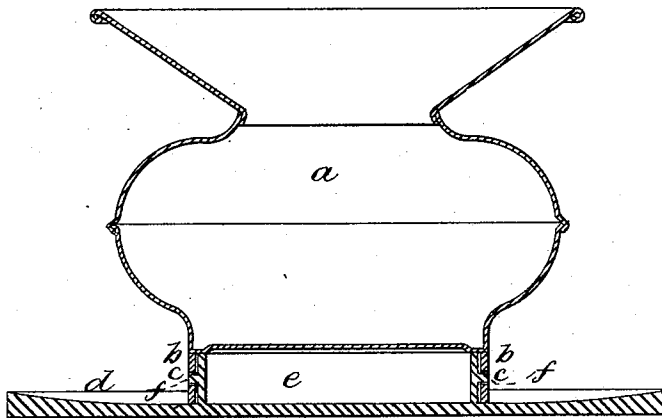


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. STERLING, of New York, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuspidors, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to cuspidors, and has for its objects to increase their stability, and at the same time to afford a better protection to the floor or carpet thereon, and to facilitate the cleaning of the same.

It consists in providing cuspidors with large flat base-plates extending considerably beyond the perimeter of the body. The said base-plate I propose to make detachable from the body, thus enabling the two parts to be readily cleaned. To accomplish this the body is provided with a flange at its underside, and the base-plate is also provided with a flange adapted to fit into or over the flange of the body, one of the said flanges having pins or projections and the other one angular or bayonet slots, in which the pins or projections fit.

The body or cuspidor proper may be made of any suitable material, and as light as is conducive to strength; but it is preferable to make the base of metal, as it is necessary that the same should be heavy. It is desirable also that the connecting-flange of the body be of metal, which may be easily fastened to the body by any of the ordinary means when the body is of china, papier maché, &c.

My invention is well adapted for use on trains, boats, &c., it being very stable on account of the large heavy flat base, which makes it almost impossible to upset it.

To describe my invention more particularly, I will now refer to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my improved safety-cuspidor. Fig. 2 is a central section of the same, and Fig. 3 shows, in section, a modification of the connecting device for the body and base-plate.

A represents the body of the cuspidor, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, made of spun metal. It is provided with the flange *b*, in which are formed at opposite sides thereof the angular or bayonet slots *c c*. The base-plate *d* is slightly concave on its upper surface, and is provided with the flange *e*, having on the opposite sides of its exterior the two pins, *f f*, adapted to fit into the angular or bayonet slots *c c* in the flange *b* of the body. The two parts are connected together by placing the slots *c c* over the pins *f f* and partly turning the body so as to bring the pins into the horizontal part of the slots.

The body and base may be of any desired shape and made of any suitable material, provided, however, that the plate must be heavy.

In Fig. 3 is represented another method for securing the body and base together. In this case the body *g* is represented as made of one piece of material molded into the desired shape, with the neck *h* formed thereon having a coarse screw-thread, which fits into a corresponding thread formed in the socket *i*, forming a part of the base-plate *j*.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a cuspidor, the body provided with a flange, and a base-plate, also provided with a flange adapted to fit into or surround the flange of the body, the one flange having connecting pins or projections and the other angular slots, in combination, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, at New York, county and State of New York, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1882.

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In presence of—

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