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Fig. 1.

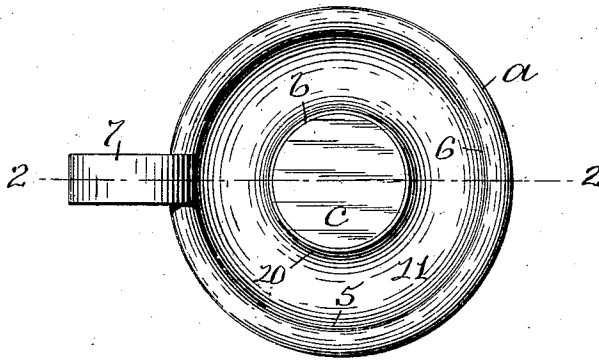


Fig. 2.

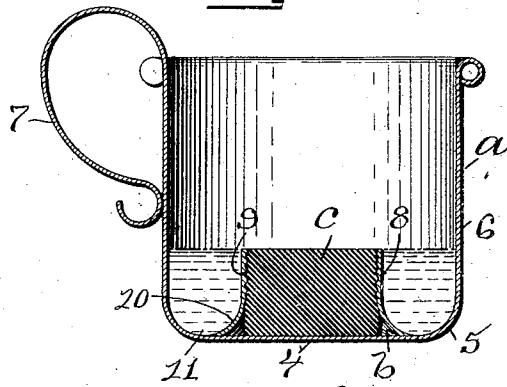
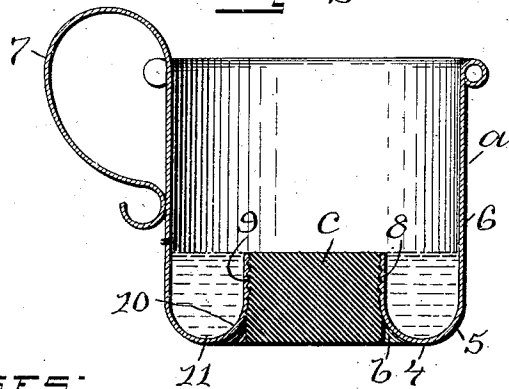


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT G. FOSTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shaving-Cups, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to an improvement in cups and more particularly to an improvement in shaving cups or mugs.

The object of my invention is to improve the construction of a sanitary shaving cup or mug whereby the construction is simplified, the cost of manufacture reduced and, sanitarily, a more perfect shaving cup or mug is produced than has heretofore been done.

My invention consists in the peculiar and novel construction of a shaving cup or mug having means for securing or holding a cake of soap centrally in the bottom of the cup or mug and details of construction, whereby a circular trough is formed in the bottom of the cup or mug surrounding the central cake of soap, as will be more fully set forth hereinafter and claimed.

Figure 1 is a top view of the shaving cup, showing a cake of soap held centrally in the bottom and the circular trough surrounding the cake of soap. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view taken on line 2 2 of Fig. 1 centrally through the shaving cup, and showing the closed bottom of the cup supporting the central cake of soap, and Fig. 3 is a sectional view similar to Fig. 2 of a modified form, showing the central portion of the cup open at the bottom.

In the drawings, *a* indicates the body of the cup, *b* the soap chamber and *c* the soap.

The body *a* of the cup may be of any design or configuration. In the preferred form the body *a* is cylindrical in form and has the flat closed bottom 4 with the rounded edge 5 where it merges into the side 6 and the handle 7, as shown in Fig. 2.

The soap chamber *b* is formed by a circular collar 8 having the roughened interior 9 and the outwardly-rounded annular lip 10 secured centrally to the bottom of the cup, the bottom 4 of the cup now forming the bottom of the soap chamber, as shown in Fig. 2. The rounded edge 5 of the body *a* and the outwardly-rounded lip 10 on the collar 8 form a circular trough 11 with a rounded bottom, in the bottom of the cup, which surrounds the soap chamber *b*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

The cake of soap *c* is formed slightly larger than the soap chamber *b*, and is forced down into the chamber, the roughened interior 9 of the chamber holding the soap from misplacement.

In the modified form, as shown in Fig. 3, the collar 8 is formed integral with the bottom 4 of the cup and the soap chamber *b* is open at the bottom. In this form the soap *c* is forced upward through the bottom into the soap chamber where it is held by the roughened interior 9. As the top of the soap is worn off in use the soap is pushed upwards in the soap chamber.

When the cup is in use the circular trough 11 holds the water and the brush is dipped in the water and then moved over the exposed surface of the soap until the required amount of lather is obtained. After use the usual washing of the cup with hot water thoroughly cleanses the interior of the cup and the exposed top of the soap, which now presents a clean new surface, thereby attaining perfect sanitary conditions in a shaving cup or mug.

It is evident that the interior of the soap chamber *b* could be corrugated, screw-threaded or formed in any way adapted to hold the soap from misplacement in the chamber, without materially affecting the spirit of my invention.

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

1. A shaving cup comprising a cylindrical body and an internal cylindrical wall forming an upward continuation of the wall of said body, and spaced from the cylindrical wall of said body, said internal wall having its inner face roughened to frictionally grip a cake of soap held therein.

2. A shaving cup comprising a cylindrical body having its lower portion of U shaped cross section, the said lower portion including an upwardly extending cylindrical wall spaced concentrically from said body and having its inner face roughened to frictionally grip a cake of soap held therein.

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

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