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TOOTH POWDER CAN AND BRUSH HOLDER.

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Fig. 1.

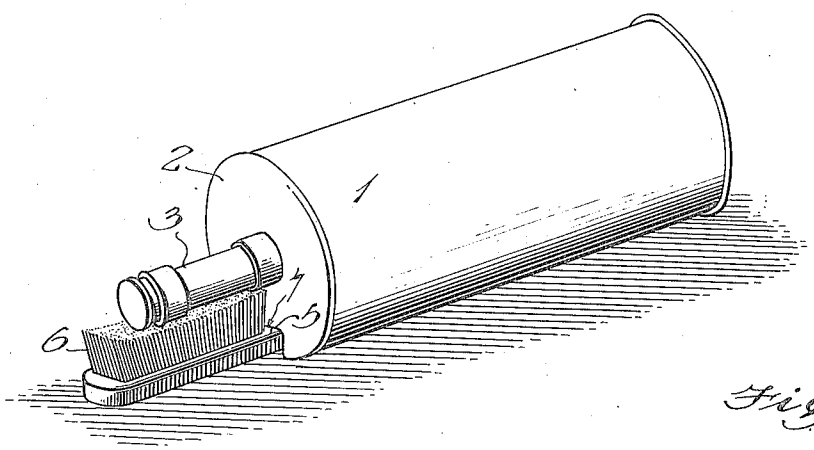


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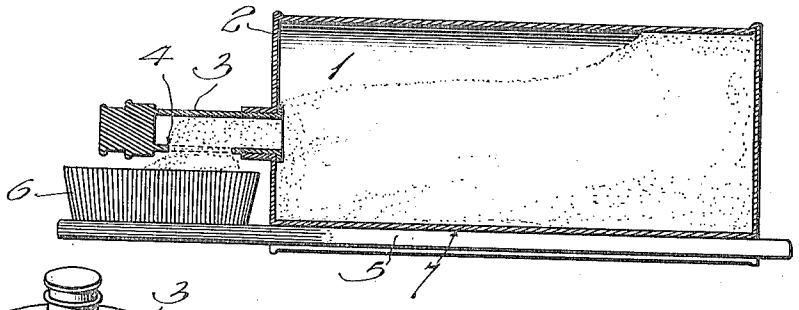


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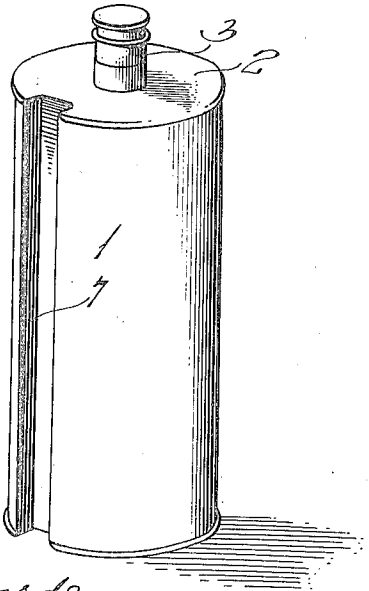
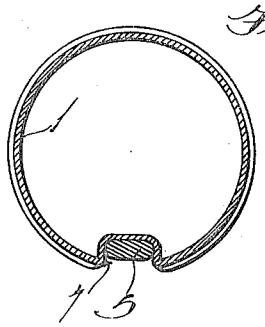


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES NOEL GREAZA, a subject of the King of England, residing at St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tooth-Powder Cans and Brush-Holders; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention has for its object to provide a simply constructed and inexpensive tooth powder can having means at one of its sides to receive the handle of a tooth brush, for the purpose of properly positioning the brush bristles in respect to the powder outlet of the can, whereby spilling and wasting of the powder as it is discharged is prevented, and whereby this powder will be deposited where needed.

With the foregoing general object in view, the invention resides in the novel features of construction to be hereinafter fully described and claimed, the descriptive matter being supplementd by the accompanying drawing which forms a part of this specification and in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved powder can, showing a tooth brush positioned to receive powder from the outlet thereof;

Fig. 2 is a central vertical section;

Fig. 3 is a transverse section; and

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the container with the brush removed.

In the drawing above briefly described, the numeral 1 designates a tooth powder can of any suitable size and shape, the upper end 2 of said can being provided with any suitable means such as the sliding apertured sleeve 3, for discharging powder from the can. The sleeve 3 is adapted to be pulled outwardly to expose its outlet opening 4 and permit powder to be discharged from the can, whereas forcing of said sleeve into the can will close the outlet in the usual manner. Although this particular type of powder discharging means will in most cases be employed, I wish it understood that any other preferred construction could well be utilized.

One side of the can 1 is provided with means for receiving the handle 5 of a tooth brush, so that the bristles 6 of this brush will be properly positioned in respect to the outlet 4, to receive the powder from the latter without permitting waste of such powder by spilling. The handle receiving means could well be in a number of forms, but for illustrative purposes I have shown the can as provided with a vertical groove 7 which extends throughout its length and is so shaped as to permit the handle to be moved easily into and out of place by simply pushing said handle toward or away from the container, as the case may be.

In operation, the handle 5 will be positioned in the groove 7 as shown in Figs. 1, 2 and 3 and the can and handle will be gripped in one hand to hold them in proper relation, while the other hand is used in operating the powder discharging means of the can, so that the required amount of powder will be deposited directly upon the bristles 6. This having been done, the brush is removed from the can and used, and the powder discharging means is closed.

From the foregoing, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, it will be obvious that although my invention is of extremely simple and inexpensive nature, it will be highly efficient and convenient for the purpose intended. Since probably the best results are obtained from the specific construction shown and described, this construction constitutes the preferred form of the device, but I wish it understood that within the scope of the invention as claimed, numerous minor changes might well be made.

Although I have described and claimed the device as a can, which implies a metal construction, I wish it understood that I do not consider my invention limited to the use of metal, since cardboard, celluloid, or any other suitable material may be used; and the word can where used in the appended

claims of invention is to be construed accordingly.

I claim:

1. A tooth powder can having a powder outlet at its upper end and having means at one of its sides for receiving a tooth brush handle to position the bristles of the brush properly for receiving the powder from said outlet.

2. A tooth powder can having a powder outlet at its upper end and having a vertical groove in one of its sides to receive the handle of a tooth brush to properly position the bristles of the brush for receiving the powder from said outlet.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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