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Mustache Cup and Glass.

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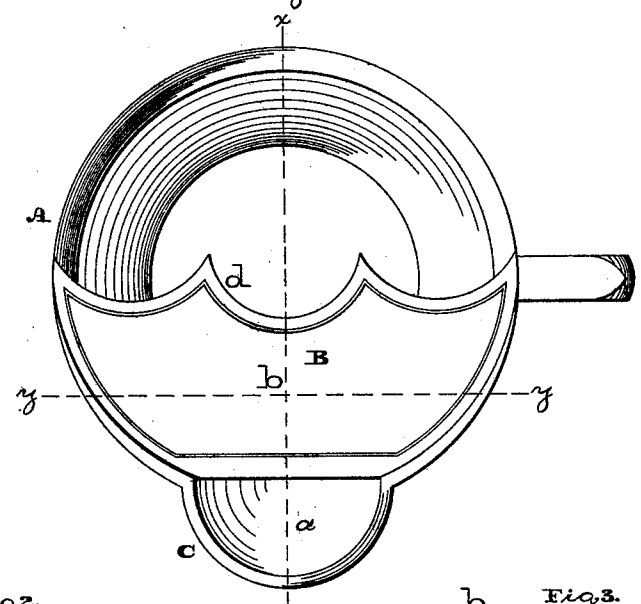

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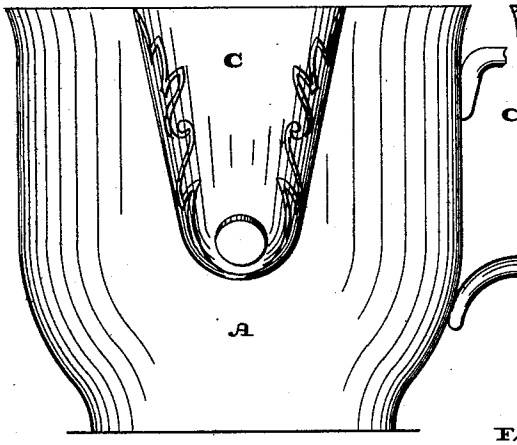

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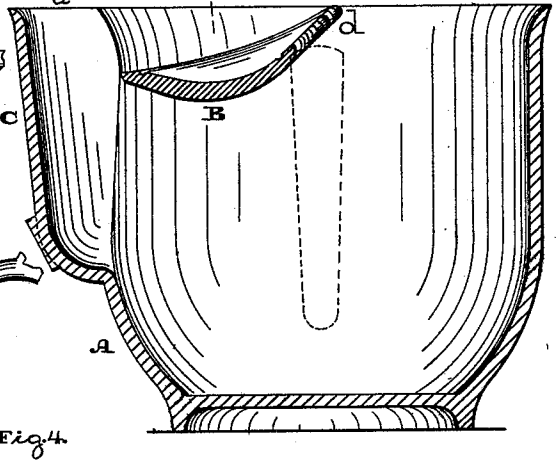

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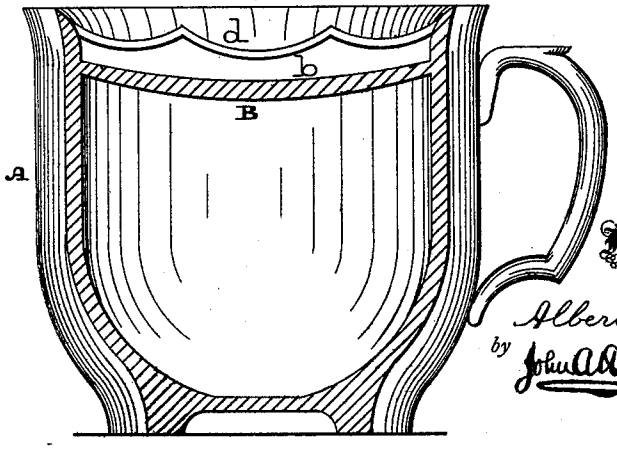

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IMPROVEMENT IN MUSTACHE CUPS AND GLASSES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT SCHENCK, of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Mustache Cups and Glasses, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top or plan view of the cup embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof. Fig. 3 is a vertical section in line *x x*, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a vertical section in line *y y*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

A mustache-cup has been formed of the cup proper and a horizontal bar or guard-plate, which is located at the top thereof, and provided with an opening for the passage of the fluid to the mouth; but the guard becomes heated either by direct contact of the fluid or the ascending vapor thereof, and it is thereby an objectionable feature.

My invention consists in forming a mustache-cup with a spout, whereby in drinking from the cup the lips are removed from the guard without, however, divesting the cup of its particular service as a mustache-cup.

It also consists in forming the guard with a depressed face, forming a pocket for the reception of the mustache, thus in a measure gathering the same and preventing the spread of the hair.

It also consists in having the inner end of the guard overhanging or elevated, whereby the fluid is prevented from flowing over the guard.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a cup, and B the bar, plate, or guard at one side of the upper end thereof. C represents a spout, which projects from the cup at the side adjacent to the guard B, thus leaving an outlet, *a*, at said side or between the wall of the spout and adjacent edge of the guard. The guard is depressed in its transverse direction, so as to form a pocket, *b*, and elevated or overhanging at its inner end, *d*.

When the cup is used the lips are applied to the spout C, and the fluid flows freely to the mouth through the outlet *a*, formed by the spout.

It will be seen that the lips are removed from the guard, which is heated by contact of the hot fluid or vapors thereof, and thus prevented from being burned. The guard keeps the mustache from the lips, whereby the operation of drinking is accomplished without the unpleasant interference of the mustache. Owing, however, to the dishing or depressed shape of the guard, the pocket *b* thereof serves to receive and gather the mustache and prevent the spreading of the hairs thereof.

During the tilting or canting of the cup the overhanging or elevated end *d* of the guard prevents the fluid flowing over the guard and wetting the same, thus protecting the mustache and upper lip from the fluid above.

It is evident that a beer or other glass may be constructed similar to the above to guard the lips and mustache from the fluid.

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

1. The mustache-cup consisting of the cup A and guard B, provided with spout C, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The mustache-guard B, dishing or depressed, forming the pocket *b*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. The mustache-guard B, with its inner end, *d*, elevated or overhanging, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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