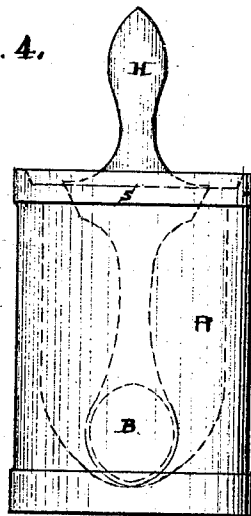
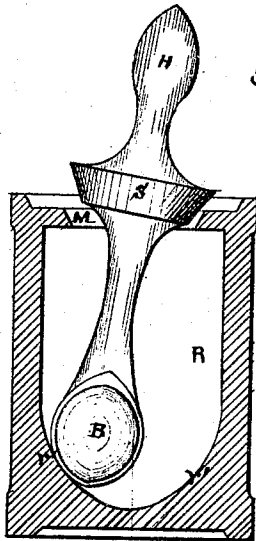
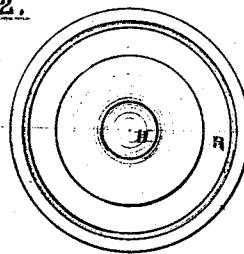
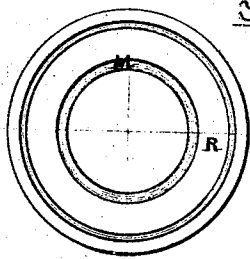


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IMPROVED CRUET.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE H. MEAD, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, and State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improved Cruet; and I do declare that the following is a full and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan of the bottle without the spoon.

Figure 2 is a plan of the bottle with the spoon in its place.

Figure 3 is a vertical section through the centre of the bottle, and showing the form of the inside, and the spoon partly lifted out of the mouth.

Figure 4 is an elevation of the whole together.

In the drawings—

R represents the bottle.

H S B, figs. 3 and 4, represent the different portions of the spoon, H being the handle, S the stopple, and B the bowl of the spoon, seen clearly in fig. 3, and dotted in fig. 4.

M, figs. 1 and 3, is the mouth of the bottle, being conical, and lessening in diameter downward, into which the conical part of the handle, the stopple, falls and fits.

The lower part of the inside of the bottle is nearly semicircular, somewhat elliptical in form, as seen at $r' r'$, fig. 3, so that the bowl of the spoon can come in contact with all points of the sides, as the stopple of the spoon is lifted out of the mouth of the bottle, as seen in fig. 3.

The purpose of my invention is to make a vessel to

contain mustard, and other sauces for table-use, of such form and proportions that it can be easily made of glass, porcelain, or any vitreous or other substance not corroded by these mixtures, and at the same time be convenient for use and for cleansing.

My improvements will be found in so forming the spoon that it will serve as a stopple, as it hangs down in the bottle when not in use; and the making this swelled portion of the spoon-handle conical in shape, so that by its weight it will the more readily slide into, and the more perfectly close the mouth of the bottle. I also form the bottom of the bottle nearly semicircular in shape, as low down as possible, and let the spoon-bowl touch at all points of the curved surface, as it is lifted upward, that all the contents of the vessel may be reached. It will be seen that if the stopple be simply a flange, overreaching a mouth of ordinary shape, it would be the same in principle with the form here described; therefore, I do not wish to be confined to this precise form.

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

The spoon, formed of the combination of the handle H, stopple S, and bowl B, with the bottle R, formed substantially as described.

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

THEODORE H. MEAD.

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