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FIG. 1 -

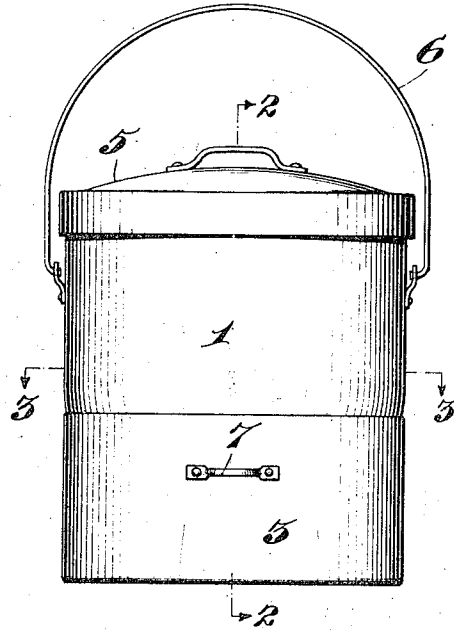


FIG. 2 -

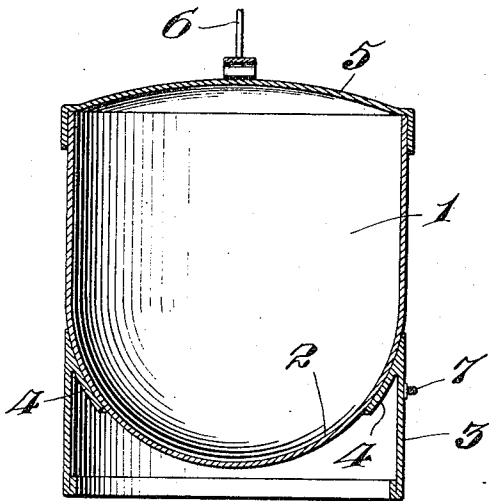
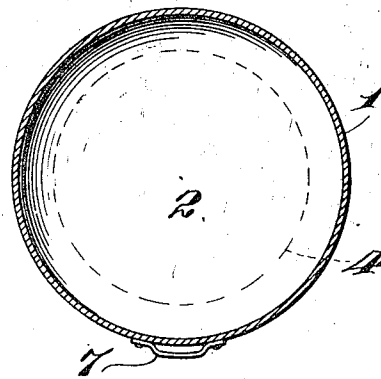


FIG. 3 -



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMMA NICKUM, a citizen of the United States, residing at South Bethlehem, county of Northampton, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garbage-Cans, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in garbage cans, the object of the invention being to provide a can which will be entirely sanitary, which can be easily emptied, and which can be thoroughly cleaned from time to time so as to prevent an accumulation of germs and poisonous matters in crevices such as is common with ordinary cans in use.

Heretofore, garbage cans have been universally made with seams, corners, or crevices of some sort which form pockets for the lodgment of decaying matter, and which, even though the can is kept reasonably clean cannot be dislodged, and keep the can in an unsanitary, dangerous condition.

It is the purpose of my invention to provide a can which is without seam, corner, or crevice of any sort in the interior thereof, and which can be readily emptied and cleaned, and at the same time, I provide a can which on the outside has the general appearance of an ordinary can and which is not liable to be upset in use.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts as will be more fully hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a view in elevation, illustrating my improved can.

Fig. 2 is a view in longitudinal section on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1, and

Fig. 3 is a view in transverse section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

1 represents the body of the can which is composed of a single piece of metal, drawn, pressed, or stamped so as to form a semi-

spherical bottom 2 which merges into the side walls of the receptacle and presents a smooth surface throughout the interior of the can.

The body 1 is of general cylindrical form and is supported by a ring 3. The ring 3 is of cylindrical form, and of the same diameter as body 1. The ring 3 is provided at its upper end with an inwardly and downwardly projecting flange 4 conforming in shape to the shape of the outer face of bottom 2.

This flange 4 provides an extended support for the bottom 2, and is brazed, soldered, welded, or otherwise secured to the bottom 2 without leaving any roughness or obstruction to the inner face of the can.

The ring 3 is of such a height that it holds the bottom 2 of the body 1 off the ground, and provides a firm support for the body to prevent its accidental tilting.

A removable cover 5 fits the upper open end of body 1. A pivoted bail 6 is provided for carrying the can and a handle 7 is secured to ring 3. By holding the bail 6 in one hand and grasping the handle 7 with the other hand, the can can be emptied without the hands coming in contact with the contents of the can.

A slight blow or jar will dislodge any particle sticking to the can, and by using hot water from time to time, the can can be kept in a perfectly sanitary condition.

Various slight changes may be made in the general form and arrangement of parts described without departing from my invention, and hence I do not limit myself to the precise details set forth, but consider myself at liberty to make such changes and alterations as fairly fall within the spirit and scope of the appended claims.

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

1. A can comprising a body having a semi-spherical bottom, a cylindrical ring of the same diameter as the can, and having an

inwardly and downwardly projecting flange at its upper end secured to the bottom of the can.

2. A can of the character described, comprising a body of general cylindrical form having a semi-spherical bottom, a cylindrical ring of the same diameter as the body of the can, said ring having at its upper end an inwardly and downwardly projecting flange secured to the bottom of the body,

a removable cover on the can, a bail pivotally connected to the body of the can, and a handle secured to the ring.

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

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