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Fig. 1.

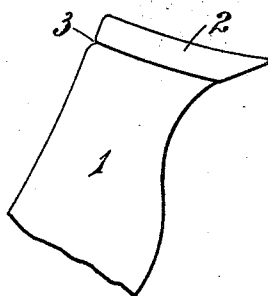


Fig. 2.

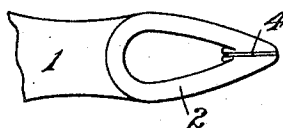


Fig. 3.

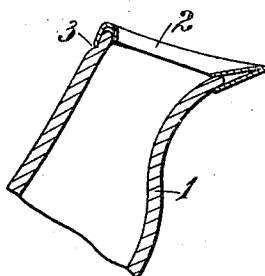
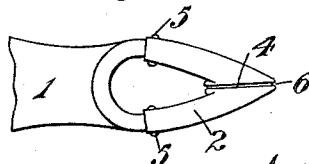


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUBERON PENRY REES WILLIS, a subject of the King of Great Britain and Ireland, residing at High Elms, 5 Fairfield Road, Leatherhead, Surrey, England, have invented new and useful Improvements in Teapots and the like, of which the following is a specification.

The invention consists of improvements 10 in tea-pots and coffee-pots, provided with a spout, and especially such vessels as are made of ceramic material.

The object of the invention is to prevent the spouts of such vessels from dripping.

15 According to the invention the spout of a tea-pot or coffee-pot is provided with a cap having a wall extending within the spout, said wall being provided with a longitudinally disposed groove or angle which extends from the tip of the spout to the part 20 of the inner periphery of the spout which is in line with the centre of the tip of the spout. The tip of the spout is preferably somewhat sharply pointed. The upper wall of the cap, 25 which is preferably inclined downwards, is made of such shape that the part thereof at the front of the spout is more nearly horizontal than the rest of the surface, that is to say the front part of the spout slopes upwards towards the tip of the spout. 30

The invention is shown in the accompanying drawings which illustrate the invention applied to a tea-pot, coffee-pot or other vessel made of earthenware or other ceramic 35 material.

Fig. 1 is an elevation, Fig. 2 is a plan, and Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the upper end of the spout of a vessel provided with the above referred to cap or mount. Fig. 4 is a 40 plan of a spout provided with a mount which extends round part only of the top of the spout.

Referring first to Figs. 1 to 3, 1 is the spout of a tea-pot, coffee-pot or other vessel

made of earthenware or other ceramic material. 2 is a somewhat thin cap or mount 45 secured to the upper end of the spout 1 by cement and pressure. 3 is a groove or niche formed in the back of the spout, into which groove is pressed the lower edge of the rear 50 part of the cap 2. 4, Fig. 2, is the longitudinally disposed groove or angle formed in the wall of the cap 2 which extends within the spout. The cap 2 instead of extending wholly round the top of the spout, as shown 55 in Figs. 1 to 3, may, as illustrated by Fig. 4, extend round part only of the top of the spout, being then secured at its ends to the spout by means of rivets 5. In either case the tip of the cap or mount may be divided 60 or made double, as indicated at 6 in Fig. 4, if desired.

In use, even when a tea-pot, coffee-pot or other vessel is very full, the liquid pours out evenly in a single stream. After pouring 65 out drops of the tea or other liquid do not run down the outside of the spout, for they either remain on the top of the cap or are led by the groove 4 back into the spout. Furthermore, the device above described 70 protects the spout against injury.

Having now described my invention what I have invented and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States is as follows:— 75

An attachment for the pouring spout of a ceramic vessel, comprising a metallic cap conforming substantially in shape to the extreme end of said spout and adapted to be 80 permanently secured thereon to form an integral part of the spout, said cap having an inclined wall lying within the spout and forming a pointed tip, said wall having a groove extending from the tip of the cap to the inner surface of the spout. 85

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification.

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