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Fig. 1.

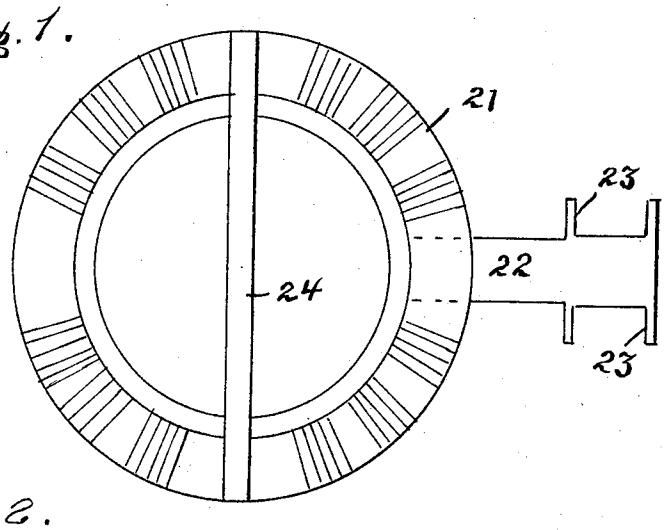


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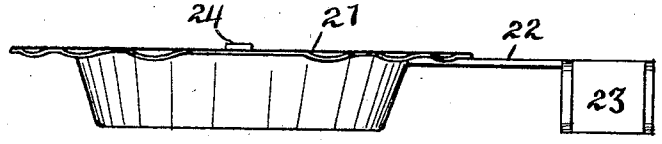
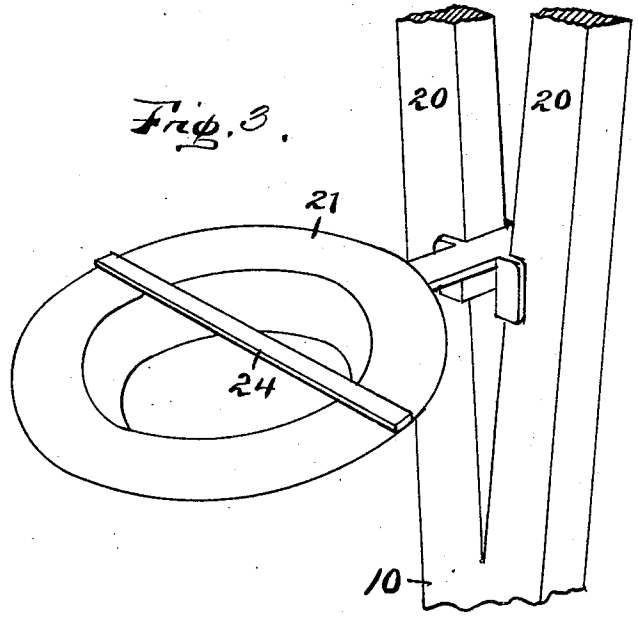


Fig. 3.



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This invention relates to improvements in folding tables of that type usually employed in card games, and especially where a large number of tables are required at a single gathering of participants, when it is desirable to place many tables in position for use and subsequently disposed of them expeditiously. The object of the improvements is to provide a table of its class so constructed as to be of light weight, of great strength, and rigid when extended for use, to provide in conjunction with the legs of the table a detachable auxiliary plate or tray.

These objects are accomplished by the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of a tray embodying the invention supported in connection with the legs of a table;

Fig. 2 is a side elevation projected from Fig. 6; and

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the tray in supported connection with a table.

The characters of reference appearing in the description refer to parts shown in the drawings and designated thereon by corresponding characters.

The construction illustrated as an example of the invention, consists of a tray 21 provided with a supporting bracket 22 extending from one side thereof, said bracket having at its outer end oppositely disposed channel shaped flanges 23. Upon the top of the tray is disposed a cross-bar 24 that serves as a scraper for the removal of ashes from cigar or cigarette butts, which ashes when removed, by contact with the scraper, fall into the tray.

The appliance receives support from the leg 10 of a table (not shown) which leg has branches 20 that extend divergently. The bracket is detachably secured in connection with the branches 20 of the leg when disposed therebetween, which branches are received in the channel shaped flanges 23. When the bracket is moved downwardly between said branches it becomes wedged tightly in supported relation with the leg so that the tray is sustained rigidly in extended position for use.

In utilizing the invention, the tray is applied to the table leg by simply placing the channeled head of its bracket between the chanches 20 of the leg and forcing it downwardly therebetween so that it is held wedged in connection with the leg.

Removal of the tray is effected by lifting the bracket 22 relative to the branches of the table leg sufficiently to permit withdrawal of the appliance therefrom.

What I claim is:

1. In combination, a table leg having a bifurcated upper end the branches of which are divergent, and an ash tray, or the like, having a bracket fixed thereon provided at its outer end with oppositely disposed lateral channel members receiving the respective branches of the leg when the bracket is positioned therebetween.

2. In combination, a table leg having a bifurcated upper end the branches of which are divergent and an ash tray or the like, having a bracket fixed thereon and receiving the branches of the leg when positioned therebetween so that tilting of the tray is thereby prevented.

3. The combination of a bifurcated table leg, and a tray supporting bracket one end of which receives the branches of the leg when said end is positioned therebetween so that tilting of the bracket relative to the leg is prevented.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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