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Fig. 1.

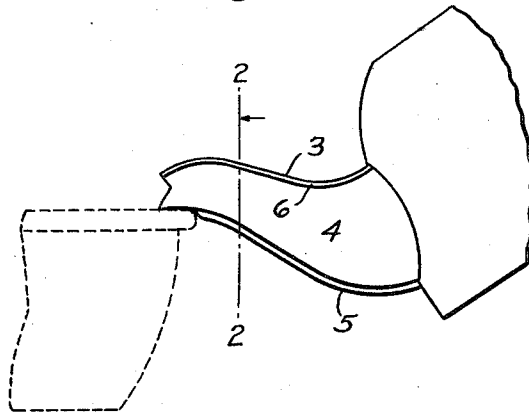
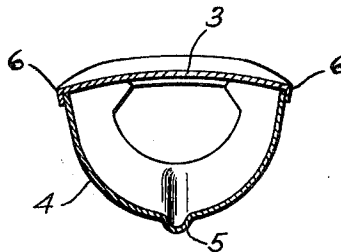


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT R. PRITCHARD, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Spouts for Kettles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a sheet-metal spout adapted for use in connection with tea-kettles or similar culinary vessels.

The object of the invention is to produce a spout of a form which both adapts it for convenient use, and reinforces the spout against denting or injury liable to be incurred, when the spout is rested against the edge of a vessel into which the contents of the kettle is to be poured.

To the above ends the invention consists in a sheet-metal spout of any ordinary or suitable construction, in which an outwardly-projecting corrugation or bead is formed on the lower surface, this bead extending nearly to the outer end of the spout, but terminating a sufficient distance therefrom to produce a shoulder or abutment which may be rested against the edge of a vessel into which the contents of the kettle may be poured. This bead, in addition to providing such an abutment for convenience in pouring, also stiffens the metal of the spout at its lower surface, where it is liable to be brought forcibly into contact with the edge of such vessel, and the bead thereby performs a double function, and increases the convenience and durability of the spout without substantial increase in the expense, or in the amount of metal employed in its construction.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a side-elevation of a spout embodying the present invention; and Fig. 2 is an en-

larged section on the line 2—2 in Fig. 1, looking from right to left in the latter figure.

The illustrated embodiment of the invention is a spout of which the construction is familiar to those skilled in the art, the spout consisting of two pieces of sheet metal 3 and 4, respectively, which are stamped to the proper form and then soldered together at two longitudinal joints 6. The novel feature of the present invention consists in the bead 5 which is formed in the lower piece 4 in the operation of stamping the latter. This bead, as shown in Fig. 1, terminates a short distance in the rear of the extremity of the spout, and thereby produces an abutment which may be employed, as shown in Fig. 1, as a rest to engage the edge of a vessel (shown in dotted lines) when pouring out the contents of the kettle upon which the spout is used. It will also be obvious that this bead tends to prevent denting of the spout when it is brought forcibly into contact with the edge of a vessel, while it does not increase the expense or weight of the spout since it is drawn from the substance of the sheet metal 4, of which the spout is formed in the ordinary manner, and without any additional operation in the construction of the spout.

I claim:—

A kettle-spout having on the bottom an outwardly-projecting longitudinal bead, the bead terminating short of the outer end of the spout so as to constitute both a stiffening for the bottom of the spout and an abutment to assist in pouring therefrom.

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