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Fig. 1.

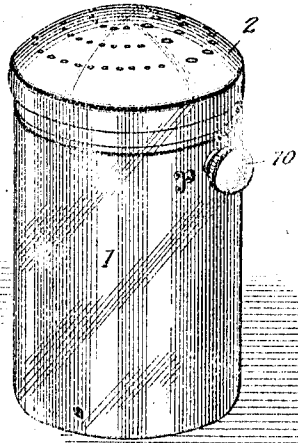


Fig. 2.

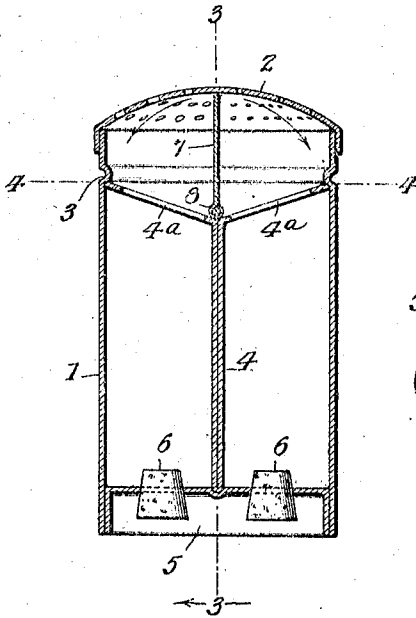


Fig. 3.

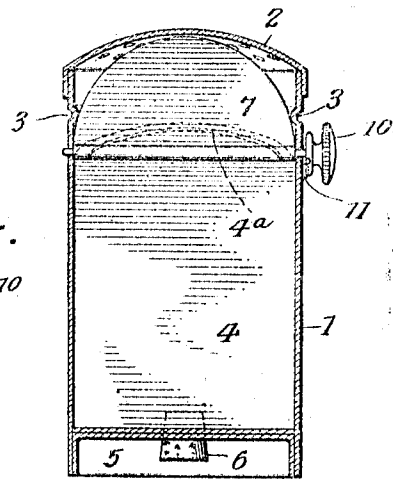
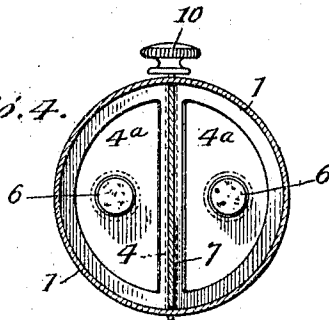


Fig. 5.



Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS F. LACY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Sioux City, in the county of Woodbury and State of Iowa, have invented an Improved Condiment-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in that class of condiment-holders which are provided with two or more compartments adapted for holding a corresponding number of different condiments, such as salt and pepper.

My invention is embodied in the improved construction, arrangement, and combination of parts hereinafter described, and illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved condiment-holder. Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section thereof. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a cross section on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the knob serving as means for adjusting the valve of the condiment-holder.

The body 1 of the condiment-holder is cylindrical and provided with a conical perforated top 2. Near the top, the body 1 is provided with a shoulder 3, which is formed by indenting or grooving the body, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

Below the shoulder 3, there is arranged a longitudinal partition 4 having laterally inclined wings or top portions 4^a, which are provided with openings as shown. This partition divides the main portion of the body 1 longitudinally into two chambers or compartments adapted to receive different condiments, and the same may be discharged through the openings in the wings 4^a, from which they pass through the openings in the top 2. The partition 4 with its wings 4^a is preferably formed of a single sheet of tin or other thin metal, by doubling the same on itself at the middle of its length, so that the body of the partition has double thickness, as shown in Fig. 2.

The partition is held in place, that is to say, with its wings 4^a in contact with the

shoulder 3, by means of the inserted bottom 5, the lower end of the partition resting in a transverse groove in said bottom, as shown in Fig. 2. The bottom is provided with two openings, one for each of the compartments, and corks 6, or other forms of stopper, are inserted therein.

In the top portion or compartment of the condiment-holder I arrange a swinging valve 7, which is pivoted in the upper angle of the partition 4, that is to say, midway between its wings 4^a. This valve is attached to a rod 8 which is journaled in the sides of the body 1 and provided exteriorly with a milled knob 10, for use in turning it to the right or left for closing one or the other of the openings in the partition wings 4^a. The inner side of the knob 10 is provided with grooves adapted to engage a slight projection 11 on the side of the body, such grooves being arranged in such order or relation that the valve 7 may be adjusted and locked in any of three positions; that is to say, the valve may be adjusted to the left to close one compartment, or to the right to close the other, or centrally, as shown by full lines in Fig. 2, whereby both openings are left clear. In Fig. 2, the valve 7 is shown in the neutral position, or midway between the discharge openings of the respective compartments, and the arrows indicate the throw or direction in which the valve may be moved.

It will be seen that all the principal parts of the condiment-holder may be struck up out of thin sheet metal and that the partition may be inserted and held in place without soldering or riveting, solely by means of the inserted bottom 5, which, of course, requires to be secured in some suitable manner.

What I claim is:—

1. The improved condiment-holder comprising a hollow body having a shoulder near the top, a central partition having a top portion extended laterally into engagement with said shoulder, and an inserted bottom which holds the partition in place, substantially as described.

2. The improved condiment-holder com-

prising a hollow body having circumferential internal rib near its top, a central longitudinal partition formed of a sheet of metal doubled upon itself and its upper ends extended laterally and provided with openings, and an inserted bottom upon which the lower end of the partition rests and by

which it is held supported in due position in contact with the aforesaid shoulder, substantially as described.

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