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DRIP CUP FOR UMBRELLAS.

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Fig. 1.

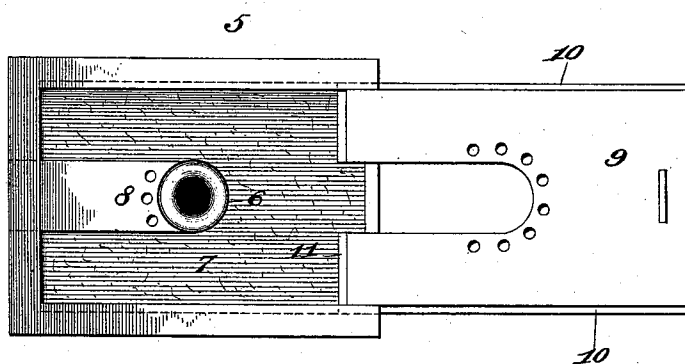
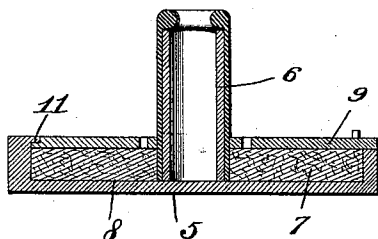


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUNICE H. REYNOLDS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Parkland, in the county of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Drip-Cups for Umbrellas; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to umbrella stands in general, and more particularly to that class designed to be carried about the person and to catch and retain the moisture from an umbrella held therein.

With this object in view, my invention comprises a box-like base portion, of any suitable material, in the bottom of which is secured a hollow metallic stem provided at its mouth with a ring of rubber or other soft material to receive and retain the ferruled end of an umbrella. Arranged within this box and surrounding the stem, is a layer of felt or other absorbent material, over which is arranged a suitable cover to hold it in place, said cover having a series of perforations to admit the moisture which drips from the umbrella thereonto.

Referring now to the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of my device, showing the main portion of the cover removed; and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of my device with the elements thereof in their operative position.

In the drawings, my invention comprises a box-like base-portion 5, of any suitable material, having a stem 6 soldered or otherwise secured to the upper surface of its bottom. Arranged within the box 5 and surrounding the stem 6, is a filling 7 of felt, sponge, or other absorbent material, which is held in place by means of a cover formed in two parts, a minor portion 8 of a width equal to that of the stem, fitting closely around one side of the stem and extending to the rear portion of the box. This part may be inserted through a slide opening in the rear of the box 5, or may be placed in position from the top. The major portion 9 of the cover completely covers the remaining portions of the absorbent filling, and may be slid into place, its edges being

provided with beads 10 and 11 to take under the overturned edges of the box 5, which form grooves for this purpose. If desired, the minor portion may be formed a little wider than the stem 6, and may have its excess of width depressed to extend beneath the inner edges of the major portion.

The entire cover of the box is provided with a series of perforations extending entirely around the stem 6, and admitting moisture to the interior. To prevent scratching and other injury to the stick of the umbrella, I prefer to cover the entire stem 6 with a rubber tube, the upper end of which terminates in a ring and projects inwardly over the upper edge of the stem, forming a bearing for the umbrella stick. Moreover the said covering forms a yieldable opening in the stem whereby umbrellas having different diameters of tip may be snugly held therein at different times.

It is evident that I may depart to a greater or less extent from the particular construction set forth herein, and still maintain the principles of my invention, it being practicable to make the parts of a variety of materials and to vary the general appearance of the device in accordance with the ideas of the manufacturer.

Having now described my invention, I claim—

1. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem arranged therein and adapted to receive an umbrella tip, and a removable cover surrounding said stem and provided with perforations whereby access may be had to the interior of the base.

2. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem secured therein and adapted to receive and retain an umbrella tip, absorbent material located within the base portion, and a cover provided with perforations to admit moisture to the base portion and the absorbent material therein.

3. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem secured therein and adapted to receive and retain an umbrella tip, and a removable cover formed in two parts and having perforations admitting moisture to the interior of the base portion.

4. A device of the class described, compris-

ing a hollow base portion, a stem arranged within the base portion and adapted to receive an umbrella tip, absorbent material arranged within the base portion, and a cover
5 formed in two parts and provided with perforations admitting moisture to the absorbent material within the base.

10 5. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem secured therein and provided with a yieldable covering arranged to engage the top of the umbrella, and a lid surrounding said stem and provided with perforations to admit moisture to the interior of the base.

15 6. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem arranged therein adapted to receive an umbrella, and a cover formed in two parts and adapted to surround said stem.

20 7. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion, a stem arranged therein and adapted to receive an umbrella, a cover formed in two parts and adapted to be slid into place to surround the stem, one

portion of said cover being adapted to receive 25 and retain the second portion.

8. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion having its upper edges turned inwardly to form grooves, a stem secured within the base portion and adapted 30 to receive an umbrella, and a removable cover adapted to slide in the grooves in the base portion and surround the stem.

9. A device of the class described, comprising a hollow base portion having its upper 35 edges turned inwardly to form grooves, a stem secured within the base portion and having a yieldable covering extending over its upper edge, and a cover adapted to slide in the grooves in the body portion and surround the 40 stem.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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