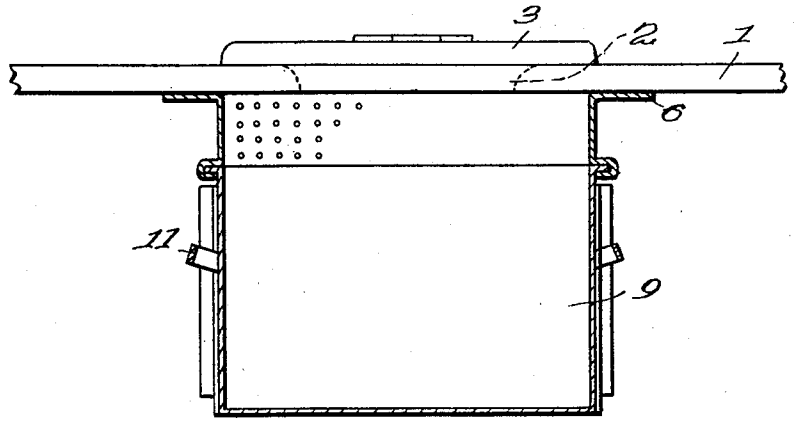
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FIG. 1



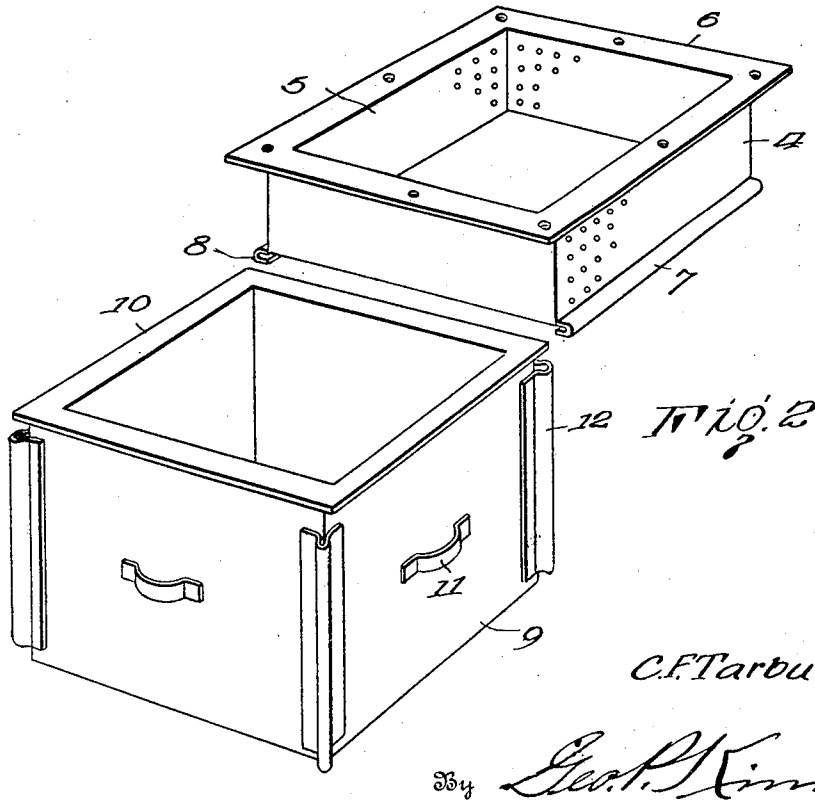




FIG. 2

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. TARBUTTON, a citizen of the United States, and resident of Laurel, in the county of Jones and State of Mississippi, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dry Closets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in dry closets, and the primary object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which is provided with a detachable receptacle, and which will be absolutely water-tight and fly-proof.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character which is easily and simply constructed, inexpensive to manufacture, and one which will be very efficient in operation.

With these and numerous other objects in view my invention consists of the novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts which will be herein referred to and more particularly pointed out in the specification and claim.

In the accompanying drawings:

Figure 1 is a vertical section through the device, and

Fig. 2 is a perspective view showing the two parts of the receptacle disassembled.

In describing my invention I shall refer to the drawings in which similar reference characters designate like and corresponding parts throughout the several views.

The numeral 1 designates a seat which is of the conventional type provided with an aperture 2, and a hinged closure 3. Depending from the lower surface of the seat 1, and surrounding the aperture 2 is a collar 4, which is preferably rectangular shaped, having three of its sides perforated as shown at 5, the front side of said collar being solid, the purpose of which is obvious. Projecting from the upper edge of the collar 4 is a laterally extending flange 6, which is adapted to be secured to the lower surface of the seat 1. The lower edges of the opposite sides of the collar 4 are provided with flanges 7, which are bent back upon themselves in spaced relation to form grooves 8 for a purpose to be hereinafter more fully described.

The device is provided with a receptacle 9, that is preferably rectangular shaped and provided with an open top. The upper edge of the receptacle 9 has a laterally projecting flange 10 thereon, and the side portions of said flange are adapted to be received in the grooves 8, to position the receptacle beneath the collar and seat. The receptacle 9 is preferably formed of metal, and provided with handles 11 on each wall thereof, to facilitate the removal, and replacing the same beneath the collar. The corners of the receptacle 9 are provided with guard strips 12, so as to prevent the same from being bent when the receptacle is withdrawn to be emptied.

In use the closet is positioned in the usual type of house, provided with a back that is adapted to be opened, so that the receptacle may be easily removed. The receptacle 9 is normally disposed beneath the collar of the seat by means of the coacting side flanges, that are positioned in the grooves 8 that are formed by the bent flanges 7 on the lower edges of the sides of said collar. The upper edge of the receptacle 9 is of a corresponding size to the bottom of the collar, so that the device will be perfectly tight and sanitary. The perforated sides of the collar permit the device to be readily ventilated. The receptacle 9 need not necessarily be rectangular shaped, it only being essential that the flange 10 on the upper edge thereof be correspondingly shaped to the lower edge of the collar 4. By forming a device of this character in two parts, having the lower part forming the receptacle and being readily removable from engagement with the upper part, which is connected with the seat, the closet may be easily and simply cleaned when desired.

From the above description taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, it is thought that a clear and comprehensive understanding of the construction, operation, and advantages of my invention may be had, and while I have shown and described the device as embodying a specific structure, I desire that it be understood that such changes may be made in said structure as do not depart from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed.

Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

In a dry closet, a seat having an opening

and a cover for the seat, a substantially rectangular shaped depending collar perforated at three sides thereof and having flanges at its upper end secured at the under side of the seat and surrounding said opening, and a receptacle correspondingly shaped to the collar slidably connected with the lower marginal portion of the collar and disposed beneath the same and detachable from opposite sides thereof.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature hereto.

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