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Fig. 1.

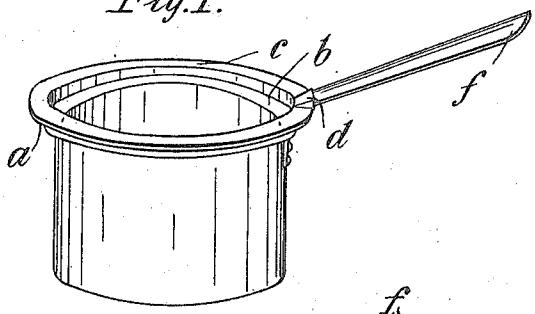
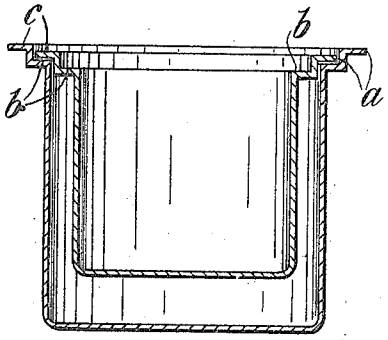


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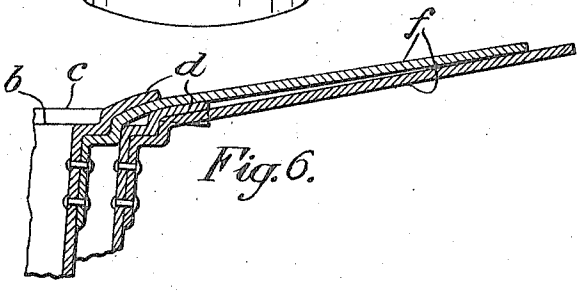


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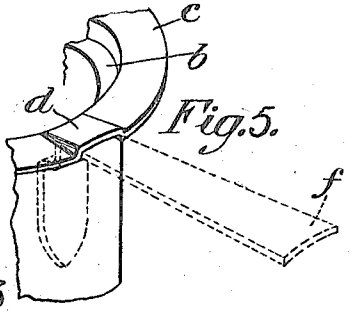


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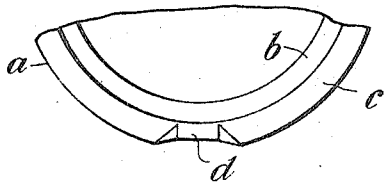
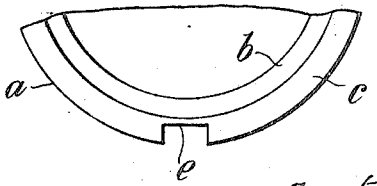


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALICE MAY KNIGHT, a subject of His Majesty the King of England, residing at Tunbridge Wells, in the county of Kent, Kingdom of England, have invented certain new and useful Improved Saucepans, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in saucepans.

The invention has for its primary object to provide saucepans capable of being used singly like ordinary saucepans or nested together to form a double cooking vessel.

Another object of the invention is to provide saucepans which can be nested together in such a manner that when one is placed inside another the inner saucepan is wholly contained or sunk within the outer saucepan. The sides of the two saucepans are completely spaced from one another to form a large water space, the brims of the two saucepans rest flush, or substantially flush, with one another, and the nested saucepans occupy very little space when not in use or when stored.

Still another object of the invention is to avoid the use of a known type of bellied or reduced-neck outer saucepan, and to provide a saucepan in which there are no interior ridges and grooves awkward of access for cleaning purposes.

The invention will now be described with reference to the accompanying drawing, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a saucepan constructed in accordance with the preferred manner of carrying out the invention, and

Fig. 2 is a vertical section illustrating two of such saucepans nested one with the other.

Fig. 3 is a detail plan view of a portion of one of the pans.

Fig. 4, is a detail plan view of a portion of one of the pans, showing a slight modification.

Fig. 5 is a detail enlarged view of the outer flange to illustrate the recess.

Fig. 6 is an enlarged detail section of the upper ends of several pans to illustrate the nested arrangement of the handles.

According to the invention each saucepan is formed with a double ridged or ledged flange *a* around its brim, the two ridges or ledges being indicated at *b* and *c* in all of the figures of the drawing.

The inner ridge or ledge *b* is formed lower than the outer ridge or ledge *c*, and the ridges or ledges are disposed at right angles to the body of the saucepan.

A portion of the edge of the flange *a* is preferably transversely ridged as shown at *d* in Figs. 1 and 3, or is recessed as indicated at *e* in Fig. 4, to accommodate the handle *f* where the latter is secured to the body of the saucepan, so that said handle will not interfere with the flange of an inside saucepan resting snugly upon the flange of an outside saucepan.

When two saucepans are used together as a double saucepan as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 6 the inner saucepan is held perfectly rigid and steady in the outer saucepan by the snug engagement of the double ridged or ledged flanges *a*, *a* of the two saucepans.

It will be obvious that two, three, four or more different sized saucepans constructed in the manner described may be nested together, thus occupying much less space on a shelf than that occupied by an equal number of ordinary saucepans.

What I claim is:—

1. The combination of nested saucepans, each saucepan having at its upper end two angular flanges, the inner flange being below the upper flange, the latter being upwardly bent to form a recess, and a rigid handle secured to each saucepan and extending through the recess and above the plane of the top of the adjacent outer saucepan, whereby the handles of all the saucepans may be nested one on the other.

2. The combination of nested saucepans, each saucepan having at its upper end two angular flanges, the inner flange being below the upper flange and the upper flange having a recess formed therein, and a rigid handle secured to the outside of each saucepan and extending up through the recess and above the plane of the top of the outer saucepan and then extended outwardly therefrom, whereby the handles of all the saucepans may be nested one on the other.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name to this specification.

ALICE MAY KNIGHT.

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