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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

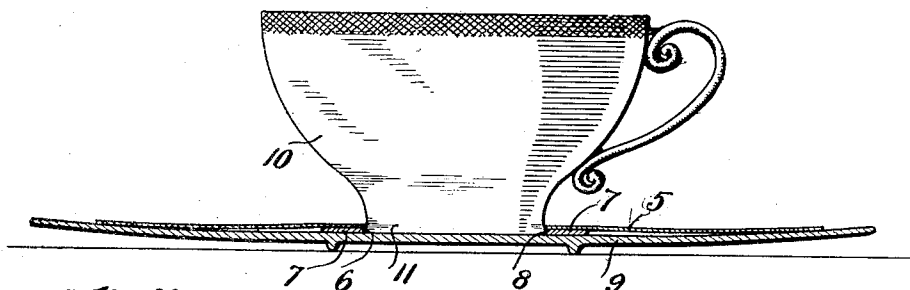
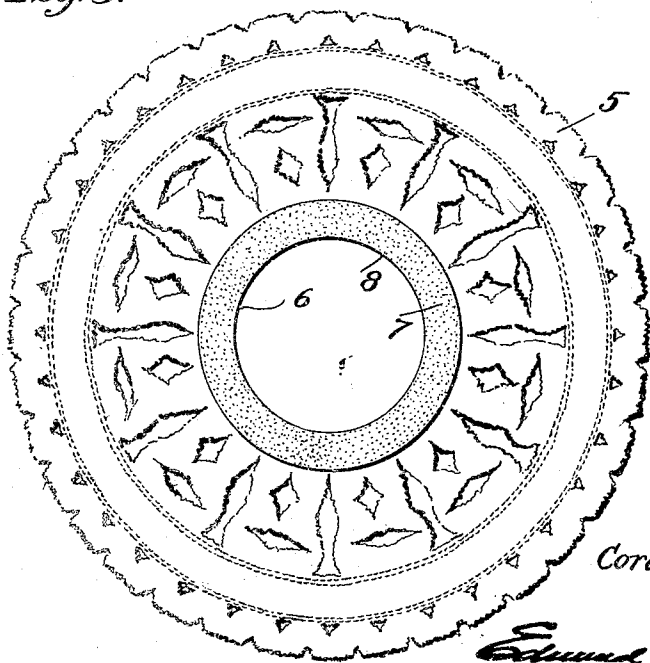


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CORABELL REDPATH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Doily Constructions, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has relation more particularly to a paper or fabric doily designed for ornamental use in connection with plates or trays when serving tea, chocolate, cocoa, coffee or other beverage in cups.

A main object of my invention is to provide a doily so constructed that the cups in which the beverages are served will not slip on the serving plates or trays and spill the contents during the serving operation.

A further object of my invention is to provide a doily construction which can be temporarily affixed to a service plate, and which is provided with means to prevent the displacement of the beverage cup during the transit of the plate from one place to another.

A still further object is to provide a device which is economical in cost, and which will satisfactorily accomplish the purpose for which it is designed.

I accomplish the above objects by means of the device herein described, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which:

Figure 1— is a perspective view of plate showing a cup in place on my improved doily.

Fig. 2— is a cross section of a plate of usual construction having my invention applied thereto, and a cup in position thereon.

Fig. 3— is a bottom plan view of my device.

Heretofore in serving tea and cakes, it has been the custom to utilize a china plate, and for ornamental purposes a paper or fabric doily has been placed thereon, the cup resting on the doily would slip from one side to the other during the transit of the plate from one portion of the room to another and spill the contents of the cup, the paper or fabric doilies readily slipping on the smooth surface of the china plate.

By means of my present invention I am enabled to overcome the above recited disadvantages, the doily presenting an annular edge, or abutment for the base of the beverage cup, thereby preventing a slippage of the same during its delivery to the guest.

Referring more specifically to the drawings 5 designates a doily of circular form, ornamented in any desired manner, the doily herewith presented being formed of paper and perforated to form a design thereon. The doily is provided at the center thereof with a circular opening 6, the edge of the opening being concentric with the circular edge of the doily. Affixed to the under face of said doily and concentric with respect to the circular opening 6 is a circular paper ring 7, the ring being glued or affixed thereto in any suitable manner. The outer surface of the ring 7 is preferably provided with an adhesive material so that when the doily is placed upon a serving plate it may be temporarily and rigidly secured thereto.

The circular opening in the doily 6 and the inner annular edge 8 of the ring 7 when the doily is secured to a plate 9 will form an annular abutment, as clearly shown in Fig. 2 of the drawing so that when the cup 10 is placed within the ring its lower annular edge 11 will abut against the circular edge 8 of the ring and prevent any movement of the cup when the plate is transported from one portion of the room to another, as in serving guests.

While I have shown the opening in the doily as being of the same diameter as the diameter of the lowermost portion of the cup 10, yet if the base of the cup should be smaller the doily will serve the purpose equally as well, as the cup can only move a short distance before it encounters the annular abutment 8 formed by the ring 7.

In many cases it may be desirable to utilize fabric doilies which are highly ornamental, and in such cases the doily may be provided with a centrally disposed opening, as in the paper doily, the ring 7 being stitched around the central opening and provided on its outer face with an adhesive substance such as mucilage or glue as in the paper doily construction, after use the ring 7 may be removed and a fresh one substituted therefor.

It will be observed from the foregoing description that I have provided an extremely novel means of preventing the slippage of tea or other cups on plates during transit, the doily presenting the same ornamental appearance as doilies of usual form.

What I claim is:

1. A doily construction, comprising a flexible member provided with a centrally dis-

posed opening therein, and an adhesive abutment strip secured to said member around the opening therein.

2. A doily construction, comprising, a flexible member having a centrally disposed opening therein adapted for placement on a plate or similar article, and a strip secured to said member around said opening, said strip forming an abutting edge.

3. A doily construction, comprising a napkin having a centrally disposed opening therein adapted for placement on a plate or similar article, a flexible strip adhesively secured to the under face of said napkin around said central opening therein, the inner edge of said strip forming an abutting edge, the outer face of said strip having

an adhesive substance applied thereto, whereby said napkin can be immovably secured to said plate to prevent accidental movement of an article mounted thereon. 20

4. A doily construction adapted to prevent the displacement of cups when mounted upon plates, comprising a flexible member having a centrally disposed opening therein, means secured around the edge of said opening adapted to form an abutment for the cup base when placed on said plate, and means to maintain said member in unmovable relation to said plate. 25 30

In witness that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto subscribed my name this 20th day of November, 1918.

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