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Fig. 1.

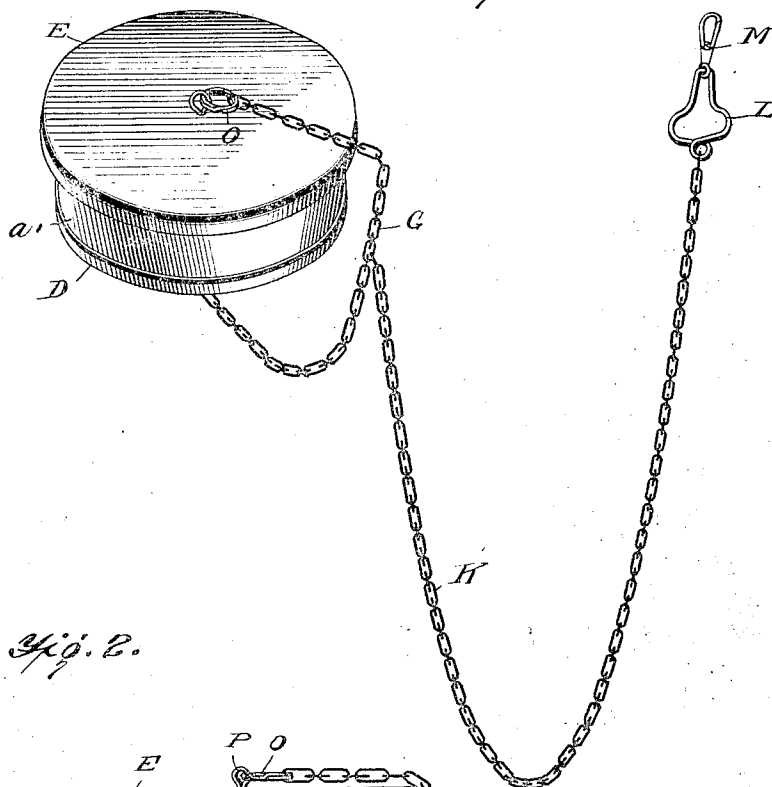
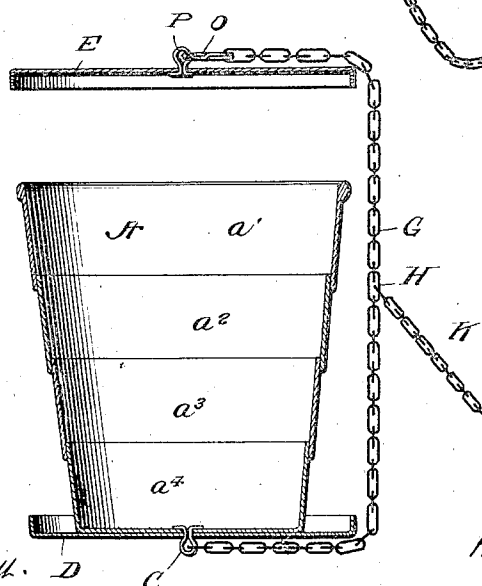


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTA DACUS, a citizen of the United States, residing at San Antonio, in the county of Bexar and State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Drinking-Cups, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to sanitary drinking cups and is particularly applicable to collapsible pocket drinking cups, as will be hereinafter shown.

The use of an individual drinking cup is always desirable and especially so among school children who necessarily have to come in daily contact with other children and whose use of a common drinking vessel is often the means of spreading disease. The inconvenience of carrying a cup about leads to the use of the collapsible cups which can be carried in a case in the pocket. But a cup comprising two or more individual parts is unsatisfactory since children are liable to lose parts of the casing and the cup is then exposed to the dirt of the pocket. Moreover the cups themselves are often lost or mislaid.

An object of my invention is to provide a collapsible cup, in which the cup proper is secured to the bottom part of an inclosing casing and the upper half of the casing, as well as the lower half are fastened together, the fastening means in turn being secured to a hook that can be attached to the belt of the user or to a button of the waist or other portions of the clothing.

My invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention showing a cup in its folded position. Fig. 2 is a sectional view showing the cup open and the cover removed.

In carrying out my invention I make use

of a collapsible cup A, having the telescopic sections a^1 , a^2 , a^3 and a^4 , as seen in Fig. 2. Fastened to the lower section a^4 by means of a staple C is a bottom member D. A top E is provided which fits the upper rim of the section a^1 . The top E is provided with a staple and secured to this staple is a key ring G for permitting the chain H to be removably attached to the staple. At a point I, I attach another chain K which is provided with an eye L arranged to slip over a button to secure the cup to the person of the user. The eye is provided with a snap hook M for attaching the chain to the button hole of a garment.

The device described above provides an individual drinking cup which can be carried conveniently by a child, and in which the various parts are all secured together while permitting the cover of the cup to be removed readily for drinking purposes.

I am aware that collapsible cups of the kind illustrated are not new and I do not claim the same broadly.

What I claim is:

The combination of a collapsible drinking cup, a cover therefor, a bottom, a chain provided with an end staple arranged to project through the bottom and through the lower section of said cup for fastening these parts together, the other end of said chain being provided with a spiral ring for detachably fastening said chain to said cover, and a second chain secured to said first-named chain near its central part and provided with attaching means at the free end thereof.

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