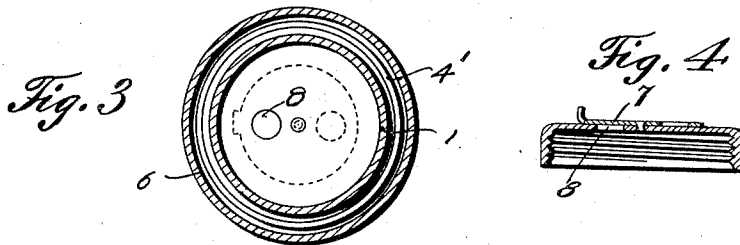
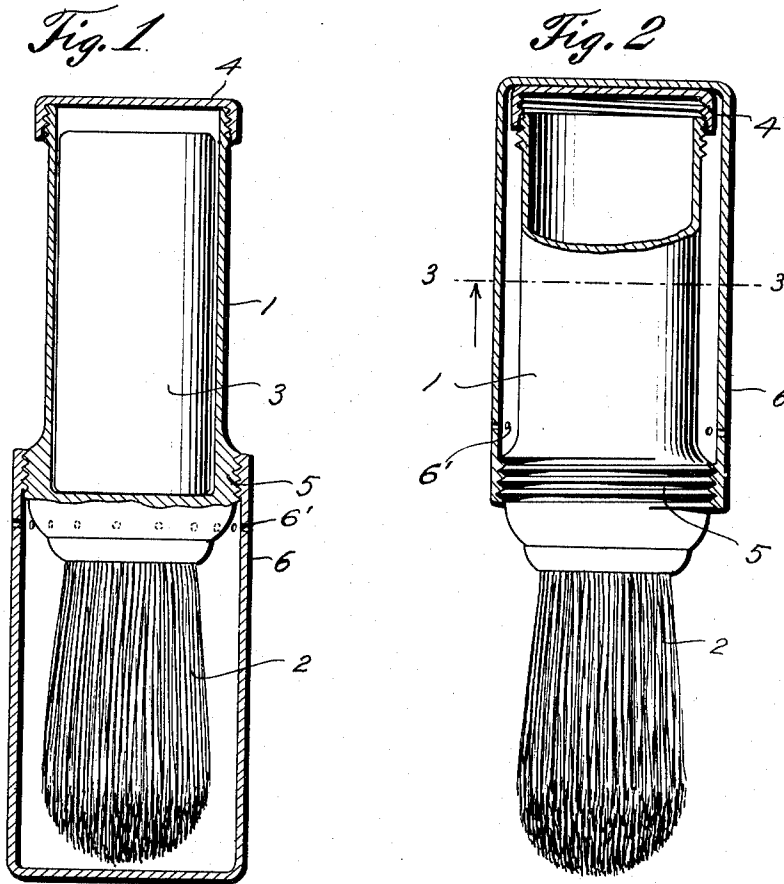


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN C. RAMEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mount Sterling, in the county of Montgomery and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shaving-Brushes, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide an improved form of shaving brush wherein the handle of the brush is of hollow construction to form a receptacle for soap, and which is provided with a cap to inclose and house the bristles of the brush.

The invention resides particularly in the peculiar form of handle and manner of connecting the cap in a reversible manner to said handle, whereby the cap in one position is adapted to inclose the bristles of the brush and protect the same, while in another position said cap surrounds the handle and is detachably secured thereto so as to avoid likelihood of being lost or misplaced during the use of the brush.

For a full understanding of the invention, reference is to be had to the following detail description and to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical sectional view showing a brush embodying the invention; Fig. 2 is a view similar to Fig. 1, excepting that the brush is shown ready for use, Fig. 3 is a section on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2 looking in the direction of the arrow, and showing a modified form of cap for the hollow handle, and Fig. 4 is a sectional view of the modified form of cap.

Throughout the following detail description and on the several figures of the drawings similar parts are referred to by like reference characters.

Referring to the drawings the numeral 1 denotes the handle of the brush and the numeral 2 the bristles which are secured to one end of the handle in any desirable conventional manner. The handle 1 is preferably hollow so as to receive therein a stick of soap shown at 3, said stick being of the size which is most commonly marketed at the present time. A screw cap 4 closes the outer end of the handle 1 normally in order to properly house the soap 3 when the article is not in use. At the brush extremity of the handle 1 is provided a threaded portion 5. A brush cap 6 closed at one end and internally threaded at the other end is adapted

to be screwed on to the threaded portion 5 of the handle 1. When the brush is not being used the cap 6 incloses the bristles 2, being screwed on the handle 1 from the brush extremity. During the shaving operation, however, the cap 6 will have been removed and placed on the handle 1, so as to inclose the body of the handle and the cap 4, being screwed upon the threaded portion 5 while in such reversed position. The shaving soap 3 will of course have been removed prior to applying the cap 6 to the handle 1 in the manner shown in Fig. 2.

Since the cap 6 incloses the small screw cap 4 it will be apparent that misplacing of the cap 4 is unlikely because the shaver can readily place the cap 4 on the end of the handle 1 previous to inserting the handle into the cap 6 and even though the cap 4 is simply slipped upon the handle 1 it is inclosed and held from displacement by the cap 6, as shown in Fig. 2. Said small handle cap is shown as being provided with a smooth or unthreaded margin which facilitates the aforesaid direct assemblage with the handle. Should it be desired the cap 6 may also be employed as a receptacle for water or other liquid to be used in the shaving operation.

The invention is exceedingly simple in its construction and may be made of any suitable material such as hard rubber, metal, or the like. The provision of the cap 6 is extremely advantageous because the bristles of the brush are protected from dust and the brush is kept sanitary in all respects. Furthermore, the inclosure of the bristles 2 when they are damp after the shaving operation permits of placing the brush in a valise or grip among other toilet articles without likelihood of the damp bristles coming into contact with the latter. The form of the handle 1 hereinbefore described is especially adapted to receive stick shaving soap. Under some conditions it may be desirable to use a powdered shaving soap in which event the handle 1 would be provided with the modified form of cap 4' shown in Figs. 3 and 4. This cap is provided with a rotatable valve plate 7 adapted to close or open a small discharge aperture 8 in the top of the cap. Powdered soap bought in small receptacles may be emptied into the handle 1 and used whenever desired by the shaver. The convenience of placing the powdered soap in the handle 1 as a receptacle enables

the user to dispense with the use of the box or receptacle in which the soap is bought and this is advantageous in economizing space in valises or hand bags.

- 5 The cap 6 is provided with a plurality of perforations 6' which permit of circulation of air in the body of the cap facilitating the drying out of the bristles of the brush and preventing likelihood of molding or other
10 injury thereto.

- I am aware that it is not broadly new to provide a shaving brush with a hollow handle for the reception of soap nor one in which there is a cap adapted to removably
15 inclose the bristles of the brush when not in use, but

What I do claim as distinctly of my own invention is:

In a shaving brush, the combination of a

hollow handle, bristles at one end of the 20 handle, said handle having an external threaded portion near said bristles, the outer end of the handle being open, a cap detachably slipped upon the open end of the handle, and a brush cap threaded at one end 25 for reversible connection with the threaded portion of the handle, said cap in one position inclosing the bristles and in its other position abutting against the handle cap holding the cap from displacement while 30 the bristles are exposed.

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

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