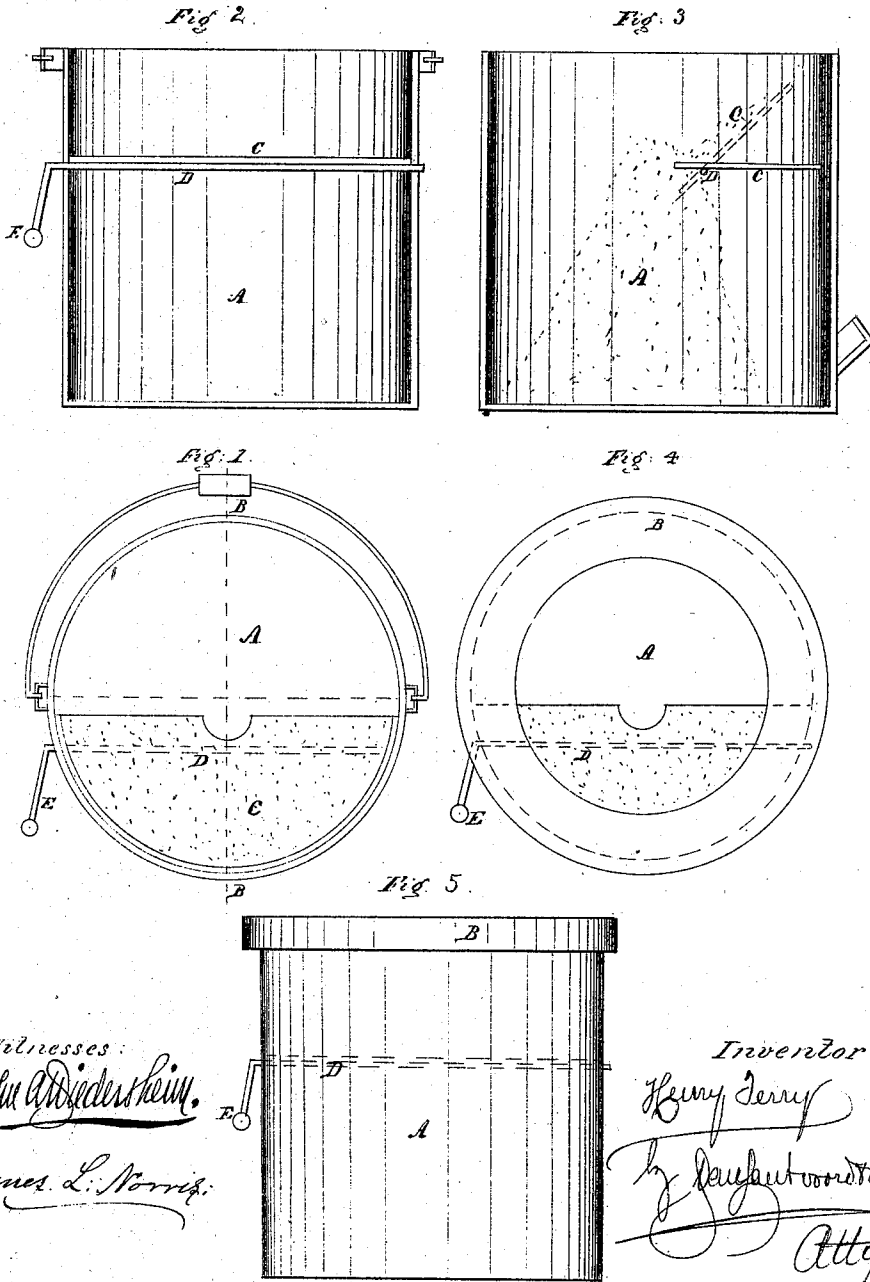


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IMPROVEMENT IN EARTH-CHAMBER PAIRS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, HENRY TERRY, of Waterbury, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented an Improved Earth-Chamber Pail; and I declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan of my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical section, taken in the plane of the line A A, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a vertical section in the plane of the line B B, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a plan of the invention with the seat in its place. Fig. 5 is an outside elevation, showing the seat in its place.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to provide a portable, economical, and convenient night-chair or chamber for use within doors or elsewhere; and it consists in a chamber whose top is provided with an annular seat, and in whose sides or interior, below the seat, is provided a receptacle or receptacles for containing earth or other suitable deodorizing material, so arranged that the earth can be discharged upon the fecal contents of the chamber by the person using it.

In this example of my invention I have constructed the chamber of a cylindrical form; but it may be of any desired form and shape, and its size is such as to render it portable and easily moved when intended for house use.

The letter A designates the chamber or pail, and B its seat, which may be made plain, as is shown in the drawings, or with a chair back and arms, for the use of invalids.

The seat B is removable, and consists of an annular rim, grooved on its under side to fit over the edge of the chamber or pail.

When the utensil is to be emptied the seat can be taken off meanwhile. If desired, the seat may be provided with a hinged cover, to shut over it and conceal its character when not in actual use.

In the interior of the chamber, below the seat, I provide an earth-shelf, C, extending across the rear portion of the utensil, its

straight edge being supported by a rod, D, which goes through and turns in the sides of the utensil, the rod being rigidly attached to the shelf, and one end of the rod being bent on the outside, so as to form a handle, E, by means of which a person can move the shelf and cause its contents to be emptied out upon the rubbish in the chamber, so as to cover and deodorize it before the occupant leaves the seat.

The circular edge of the shelf is prevented from falling down by suitable supports arranged on the inner side or wall of the chamber.

In Fig. 3 the shelf is shown both in its horizontal position and in an inclined position, as when it is moved to discharge its supply of earth or other deodorizing material upon the contents of the chamber.

My invention can be used with or without an inner utensil, as it is adapted by construction and size to be carried out for emptying at the convenience of the owner, the same as any other portable utensil; and it, therefore, becomes a convenient portable odorless chamber or pail, adapted to night use, sick-rooms, and hospitals, offices, dwellings, and tenement-houses, independent of any inclosing case or box.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The arrangement, below the top of a portable pail or chamber, A, of a receptacle, C, for earth or other deodorizing material, so constructed as to hold the material and afterward discharge it into said portable pail, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. A portable chamber or pail, having a movable seat, B, and a shelf for earth or other deodorizing material, so constructed as to discharge the material into the pail, substantially as described.

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