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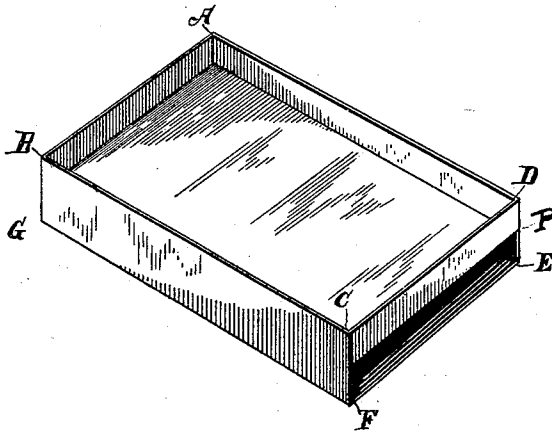


Fig. 1.

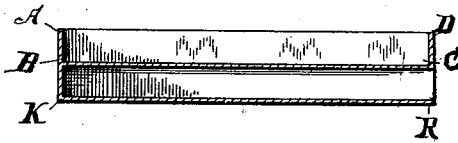


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JASPER S. ROSS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sharon, in the county of Mercer and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Expectorator-Receptacle, of which the following is a specification.

This form of receptacle consists of two cavities, an upper and a lower, and is illustrated by the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the entire receptacle.

A B C D in each figure represent the upper cavity.

In Fig. 2 B K R C represent the lower cavity running the full length of the upper cavity. The upper cavity has its sides and bottom inclosed. The lower cavity is wholly inclosed except at one end which is open as shown in Fig. 1 by F E P.

The use is as follows: A slip of paper is pressed into the upper cavity so as to cover the bottom and sides. In the lower cavity a number of slips of paper are stored, these slips being slightly narrower than the bottom of the cavity. When the upper cavity, lined with paper as above directed, has been used a few times for the reception of expectoration, let a slip be drawn from the lower cavity and laid on the expectoration in the upper cavity. After further deposits of expectoration let another clean slip be drawn and laid in the upper cavity as before. Let this manner of using be continued until a number of slips have been drawn from the lower cavity and

used in the upper; then all the papers used may be removed in a mass and burned, and the described process of using be begun over again.

The advantages are: First, it avoids the unpleasant duty of cleaning the ordinary cuspidor or spittoon; second, the burning of the expectoration may favor health by destroying the germs of disease; third, invalids can have the receptacle on their beds, as overturning would not much discommode; and by the covering slips avoid for themselves and their friends the unpleasant exposure to view of expectoration; fourth, flies are not gathered to it as to exposed expectoration, and, fifth, the under cavity provides an ever present storage place for a supply of paper slips.

The receptacle may be made of tin, pasteboard, or any suitable material. The form may be rectangular or some other.

The distinguishing feature of the invention is the under cavity for holding a supply of paper slips.

I therefore claim—

In an expectoration receptacle the combination of two compartments, one above the other; the upper compartment being without cover, and the lower compartment having one lateral face open; the two compartments being immovably joined together—substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

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