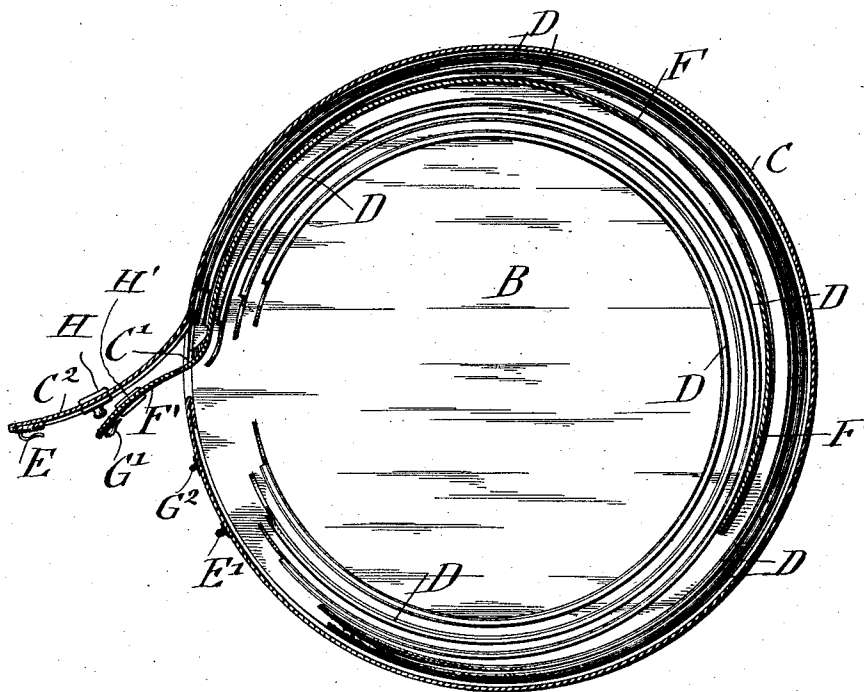
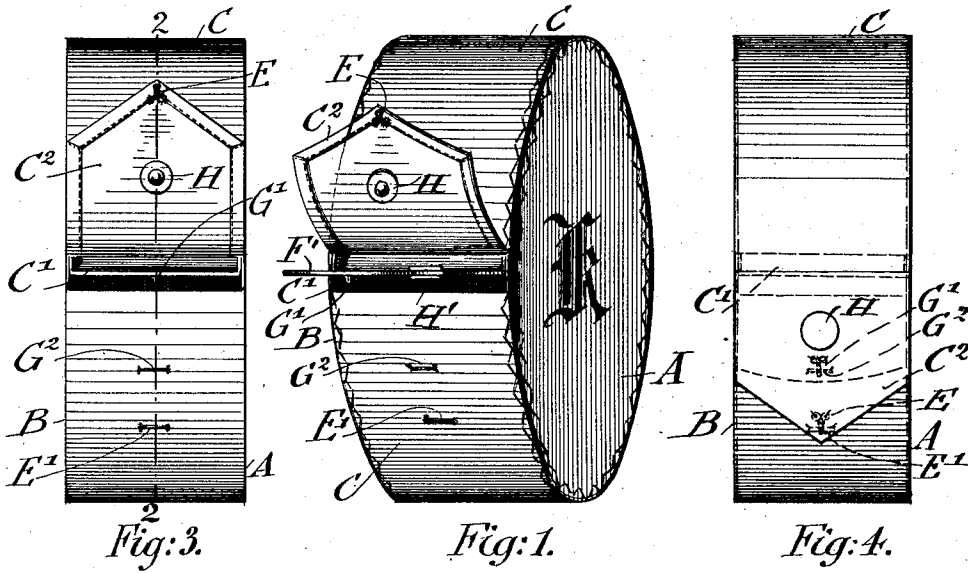


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GRACE BOWER KELLY, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Receptacles for Collars or Cuffs, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to receptacles for collars or cuffs, particularly such as are adapted for the use of travelers, and has for its object to provide a receptacle of this character which will efficiently inclose and protect the collars or cuffs, admit of their easy insertion and removal, and enable clean collars or cuffs and soiled ones to be kept in the same receptacle or bag yet separated from each other.

A specific embodiment of my invention is shown in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the bag, open for insertion or removal of collars, Fig. 2 is a cross section on line 2—2 of Fig. 3, drawn upon an enlarged scale, Fig. 3 is an edge view of the bag in the open position, and Fig. 4 is a similar view showing the same closed.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several figures of the drawing.

The improved collar bag is preferably made of soft, flexible material, such as cloth, so that when empty it may be readily crushed or folded to take up very little room. The bag comprises a circular top A, a circular bottom B, and a side wall C, connecting them, said side wall being cylindrical when the bag is in use. At one point of the periphery, the side wall has an opening C' through which collars (such as D) may be inserted or removed endwise. A flap C² is provided to cover and close the opening C', and by means of a hook E and eye E¹ or other form of detachable fastener, the flap may be held down in the closed position.

The collars D are so placed that one end of each will be close to the opening C'. The bag may be used to hold both clean collars and soiled ones, and a separation of both kinds is effected easily by placing one kind, say the clean ones, on the outside, and the others on the inside. In order to facilitate this separation, a curved partition or division strip F may be provided which sub-

divides the opening C' and extends between the top A and bottom B at a distance from the side wall C, for a portion of its periphery.

The partition F projects through the opening C' and constitutes an exterior flap F' projecting beyond said opening and dividing it into individual ports for the respective compartments. A fastener is provided for locking this flap to the side wall of the box for closing the inner compartment, said fastener comprising a member G' on this flap and a member G² on the wall of the box. A fastener is also provided for connecting the partition flap F' with the wall flap C² whereby the flap F' may be used for closing the outer compartment. This fastener comprises a member H on the wall flap and a member H' on the partition flap. Thus the flap F' may be secured to the flap C² or to the side wall C, whereby access is permitted to either one of the compartments into which the interior of the bag is divided by the partition F while the other compartment is closed. One of these compartments may be used for clean collars and the other for soiled collars. Access may be had to both compartments at the same time by leaving the exterior flap F' of the partition F free, that is to say, not secured to either the fastener member of the wall flap nor to the fastener member of the box. The free flap F' serves as a guide which facilitates the insertion of collars into either compartment. The wall flap C² is preferably longer than the partition flap F' and overlaps the latter.

Various modifications may be made without departing from the nature of my invention as set forth in the appended claims. By properly dimensioning the bag, it may be adapted to receive cuffs instead of collars.

I claim:

1. A receptacle for collars or cuffs comprising a top, a bottom, a peripheral side wall connecting said bottom and top and provided with an opening, and a partition separating the interior of said receptacle into compartments, said partition being provided with an exterior flap extending through said opening and dividing it into individual ports for the respective compartments and serving as a guide to either.

2. A receptacle for collars or cuffs comprising a top, a bottom, a peripheral side wall connecting said bottom and top and

provided with an opening, a partition separating the interior of said receptacle into compartments, said partition being provided with an exterior flap extending through said opening and dividing it into individual ports for the respective compartments, and a fastening device for locking said flap over one of said ports.

3. A receptacle for collars or cuffs comprising a top, a bottom, a peripheral side wall connecting said bottom and top and provided with an opening and with a flap for closing said opening, a fastener for securing said flap in closed position, and a partition separating the interior of said receptacle into compartments, said partition being provided with an exterior flap extending through said opening and dividing it into individual ports for the respective compartments and serving as a guide to either.

4. A receptacle for collars or cuffs com-

prising a top, a bottom, a peripheral side wall connecting said bottom and top and provided with an opening and with a flap for closing said opening, a fastener for securing said flap in closed position, a partition separating the interior of said receptacle into compartments, said partition being provided with an exterior flap extending through said opening and dividing it into individual ports for the respective compartments, and fasteners adapted to connect said partition flap with said side wall or with said side wall flap for closing either of said compartments.

In testimony, that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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