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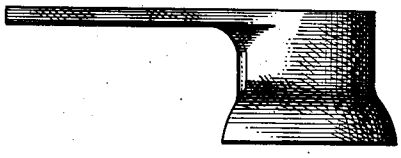


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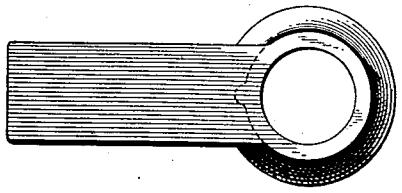


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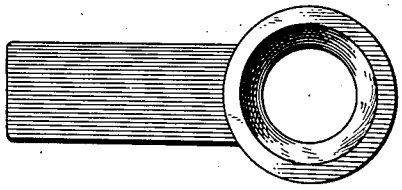


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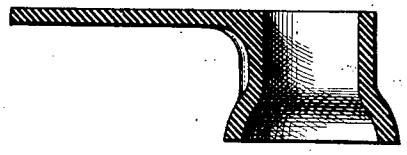
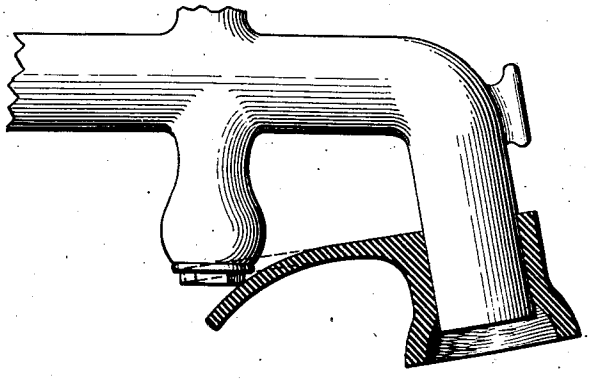


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, HENRY M. LUMMIS and FREDERICK W. HERGERT, citizens of the United States of America, residing at the city of Elizabeth, county of Union, and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Faucet Attachment, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to the protection of drinking-glasses from breakage by contact with faucets; and the object of our invention is to produce a bumper which can be slipped over the faucet and which, consisting of elastic rubber, will maintain its position on said faucet by its own contraction. This bumper will have an arm or projection extending backward under the bearing of the spigot of said faucet, so that when a drinking-glass is applied in haste to the faucet the glass may strike against this rubber bumper, but cannot come into contact with the metal of which the faucet is composed and be broken by such contact or otherwise damaged thereby. We attain this object by the creation of the appliance illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation. Fig. 2 is a plan. Fig. 3 is an inverted plan. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal vertical section. Fig. 5 is an illustration of the method of application.

The appliance is to be one piece of elastic rubber and is slipped up over the mouth of the faucet in such manner and such distance as will leave the extreme edge of the faucet-mouth some slight distance below the lower inside edge of the appliance, so that the fluid in passing through the faucet does not come into contact with the rubber; yet the lower edge of the umbrella-shaped portion of the appliance will come somewhat below the said lowest edge of the faucet, and no part of said faucet-mouth is exposed to contact with the glass. In addition the oblong flat portion of the appliance will project backward under the bearing of said faucet, being held well up against said bearing by its own elastic recoil, so that the under part of the rim of the drinking-glass cannot come into contact with the said bearing of the faucet.

We are aware that appliances have been made for the protection of articles from breakage by contact with faucets, and so do not claim such a contrivance, broadly, as our invention; but

What we claim as our invention, and desire to protect by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a faucet attachment, the combination of a complete circle or band of elastic rubber encircling the mouth of the faucet and having at its lower edge an umbrella-shaped part dropping downward and outward from said faucet so that no part of the rubber touches the edge of the faucet where the liquid issues, a flat arm or projection commencing at the top of said band and extending backward therefrom a short distance under the bearing or horizontal part of the faucet, held well up against the same by its own elastic recoil, its normal position being in a horizontal plane with the top of the band, all in one piece, substantially as shown.

2. In a faucet attachment, the combination of a band of elastic rubber encircling the part of the faucet near the mouth thereof, so elastic as to fit any of the larger faucets in general use, supporting an umbrella-shaped collar somewhat larger at its lowest point (inside measurement) than the mouth of the faucet, protecting the article from contact with said mouth of the faucet, yet not coming into contact with the said mouth of the faucet or the liquor which flows therethrough, a flat arm or projection extending from the top of the band horizontally or nearly or normally so along under the shank or level part of the faucet and being held up against same by its own elastic recoil, all said several parts being made into one piece, detachable from said faucet and reattachable thereto by the simple motion of the hand, being held thereupon by its elastic contraction all substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof we have signed our names to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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