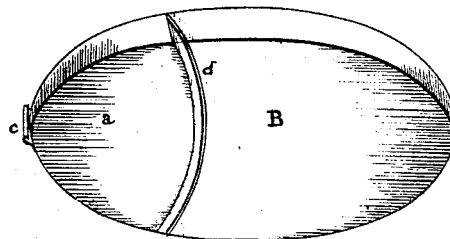
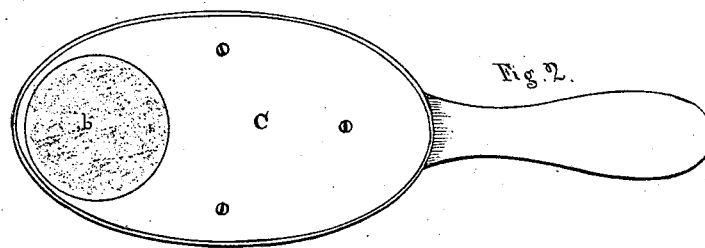
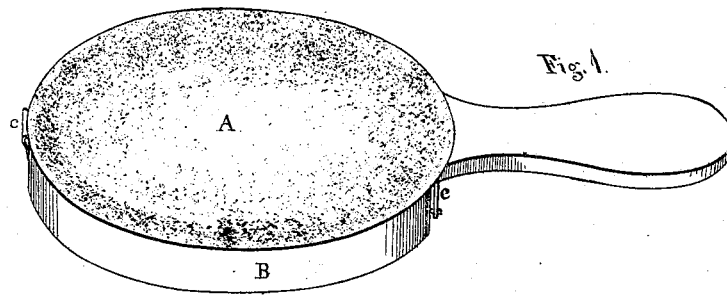


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IMPROVED BLACKING-BOX AND BRUSH.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same

I, CHARLES E. YAGER, of the city of Hudson, in the county of Columbia and State of New York, have invented an improved Combination Box and Brushes for Blacking Boots and Shoes, of which the following is a specification.

Nature and Objects of the Invention.

This invention relates to the convenient, compact, and economical construction and combination of a polishing-pad and blacking-tuft or dauber, with the blacking-box, so that when combined and not in use the blacking and the blacking-tuft are inclosed within the box, and the whole so secured as to be safely packed with white or other articles of clothing without any risk of soiling.

Description of the Accompanying Drawing.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box and brushes combined, or as the whole appears when closed up ready to pack.

Figure 2 is a view of the back of the polishing-pad, with the dauber or blacking-tuft at one end.

Figure 3 is an interior view of the blacking-box.

Like letters indicate like parts on the several figures.

General Description.

A (see fig. 1) is the polishing-pad or cushion, which is made of plush or other erect and stiff napped cloth, in place of bristles or hair. This does not retain blacking sufficient to soil anything with which it comes in contact. It is formed on the top of cover C, and is provided with a handle so as to be used as an ordinary polishing-brush.

The box B may be made of any form suitable for the form of a brush, for which the cover of the box is used. I have adopted the elliptical as the most suitable, convenient, and economical form for all purposes.

I contemplate using an oval or dishing bottom, resembling the bowl of a spoon, for my blacking-box, so that the blacking may not have a square corner or edge in which to accumulate or remain around in the inside of the box where the box or blacking-tuft cannot reach it. I therefore do not intend to confine my-

self to the exact form or construction, so far as relates to this square edge of the blacking-box herein represented. The difficulty of reaching the blacking put up in boxes having sides or rims at right angles to their bottoms is only best avoided by making them in the form above described; and for this purpose the box B, (see fig 3) including the partition *d*, can be stamped or raised from one piece of tin or other sheet-metal by the use of proper shaped dies or punches.

An edge sufficient and suitable for holding the cover could also be formed in the same way and at the same time.

The rim of the cover C should lap over or embrace the edge of box B.

The blacking-tuft or brush apartment *a* is separated from the blacking by the partition *d*.

Figures 2 and 3 represent the two parts of my blacking-apparatus detached and separate. They are combined for packing or when not in use by means of a hook or clasp, *c*, at one end of the box, and a loop or ring, *e*, attached to the cover by an elastic tie at the other end, and hooked over a pin or stud attached to box B.

Such being the construction of this apparatus, its use or operation is very evident.

The blacking occupies the apartment B (see fig. 3) of the box.

The cover C, fig. 2, being detached from the box, the tuft or brush *b* is employed to take up and apply the blacking in the ordinary way. As soon as this is done the polishing-pad or cushion A is applied, rubbing the boot or shoe briskly, when a brilliant polish succeeds equal to any produced by a hair-brush, and in much less time.

What I claim as my improvement in combined blacking-box and brush is—

The construction and combination of the box B, with its device for attaching the cover C, brush or cushion A, and the interior arrangement, with sponge *b*, &c., as shown and described.

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