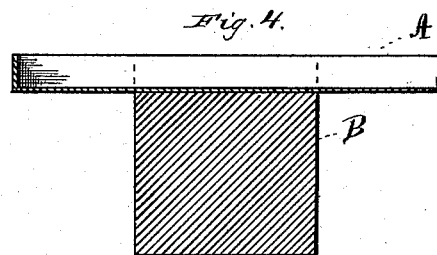
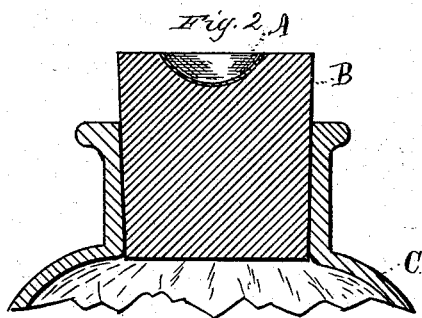
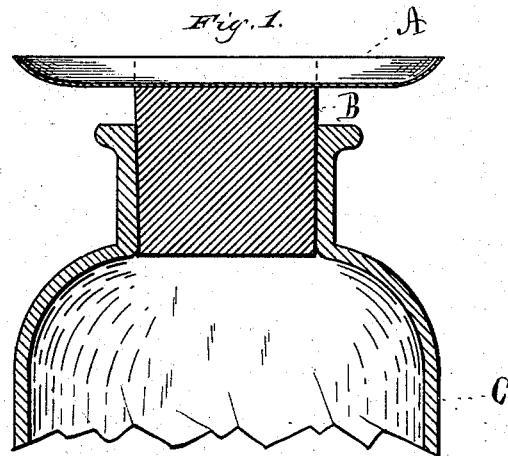
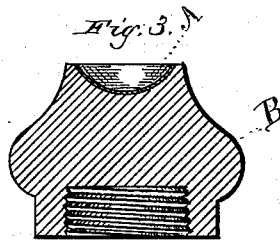


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. T. NESBITT, of the city of Leavenworth, in the county of Leavenworth and State of Kansas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Corks or Stoppers of Bottles used for Vending Tooth-Powders, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a sectional view of the top part of a bottle with my improvement attached. A is a tray for receiving the tooth-powder, and into which the tooth-brush for using the powder fits. B is the cork or stopper, with a groove in the upper part, in which the tray is fastened by the means of cement or screws. C represents a bottle containing tooth-powder. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of A, B, and C. Fig. 3 is to represent a cork or stopper, made of rubber or metal, to screw onto the top of a tooth-powder bottle. Fig. 4 is to represent a sectional view of a cork or stopper with a square tray attached.

In using, the cork or stopper to which the tray is firmly attached is removed and a sufficient quantity of the tooth-powder poured from the bottle into the tray. The cork or stopper, with tray attached, is then replaced on the bottle, and the tooth-brush is filled by being firmly pressed on the powder in the tray, the tooth-brush having been previously moistened.

The object of this invention is to obviate the difficulty which is experienced in the use of tooth-powders in not having a convenient and ready receptacle into which to place sufficient of the tooth-powder for immediate use; also, to provide a convenient method by which the tooth-brush can be filled, and saturated with the powder without dipping the tooth-brush into the bottle or the necessity of using another vessel.

By dipping a wet tooth-brush into the bottle containing the tooth-powder the moisture from the brush to a greater or less extent spoils the powder remaining in the bottle, causing it to adhere to the bottle, and forming into a pasty mass the particles of the tooth-powder that are soluble in or affected by water. This is entirely avoided by this invention. Another advantage is the cleanliness attendant upon the use of tooth-powders by the use of my invention. The tray can be readily cleaned immediately after its use. Another important advantage is presented in the fact that, the tray being replaced on the bottle after being supplied with tooth-powder, the tooth-brush can be firmly pressed upon and filled with the tooth-powder, and thus the full benefit of the tooth-powder realized. This cannot be done by dipping the brush into the bottle or by sprinkling the brush with the powder from the bottle.

It is obvious that the tray may have round corners or square, as shown in the drawings, Figs. 1 and 4, respectively. The tray may be made of metal, glass, wood, or other suitable material, and fastened to the cork or stopper of the same or other material. The tray may be a part of the cork or stopper.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The cork or stopper having in its upper end a horizontal tray, substantially the shape of and adapted for the insertion of a tooth-brush, substantially as shown and described.

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