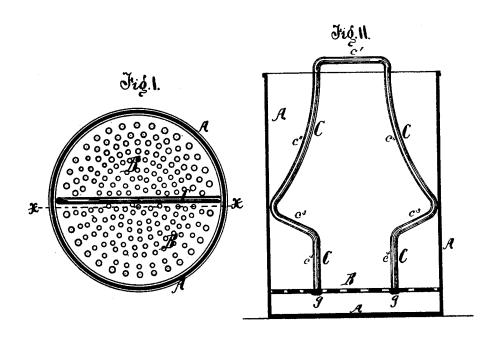
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ASH-SIFTER.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN ASH-SIFTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER W. PECKHAM, of the city, county, and State of New York, have made new and useful Improvements in Ash-Sifters; and I declare the following to be a full and clear description of the same, which will enable others to make and use my improved ash-sifter.

My invention consists in constructing a peculiarly formed handle for a perforated disk, which is made to fit a cylindrical vessel, and to which disk this handle is attached.

The handle is constructed by bending a metallic rod into such a form that it will serve three different purposes—viz., to carry the ash-sifter, to serve as an operating-handle, and to serve as a guide, keeping the ash-sifter parallel with the bottom of the cylindrical vessel, and perpendicular to the sides of the same.

In order to more fully describe my invention, I refer to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

Figure I is a top view of my improved ashsifter. Fig. II is a sectional view taken on the line x x, Fig. I.

A is the cylindrical vessel. B is the perforated disk or ash-sifter. C is the handle, riveted at g g to the ash-sifter B, and consists of the horizontal part c', diverging parts c'', converging parts  $c^3$ , and perpendicular parts  $c^4$ , the extreme points i i extending nearly to the sides of the cylindrical vessel A, thus enabling the perforated disk to be revolved to and fro by means of the handle C, the points i i keeping said disk in a horizontal position over the sifted ashes which fall into the bottom of the cylinder B.

Having thus described my invention, I desire to claim—

The handle C, consisting of the parts c', c'',  $c^3$ , and  $c^4$ , in combination with the ash-sifter B and the cylinder A, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

This specification signed this 3d day of August, 1876.

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