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Shaving-Mug.

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Fig. 1.

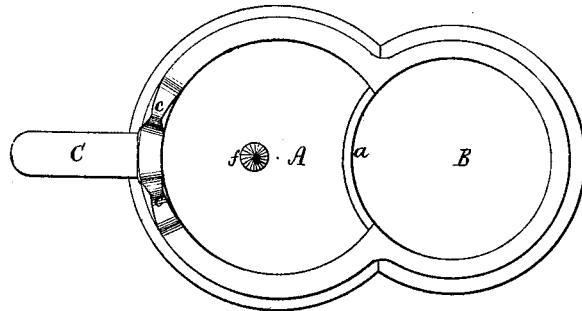


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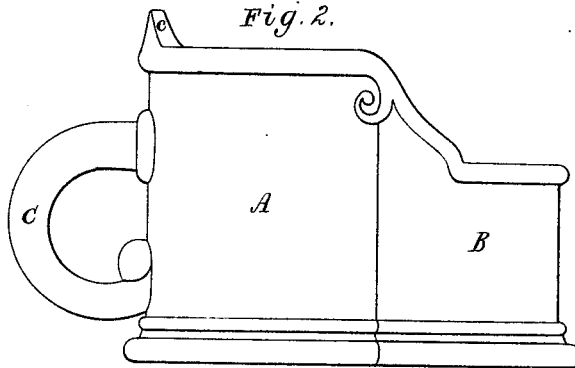


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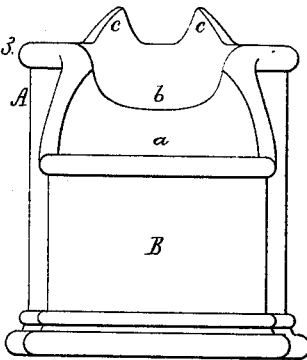
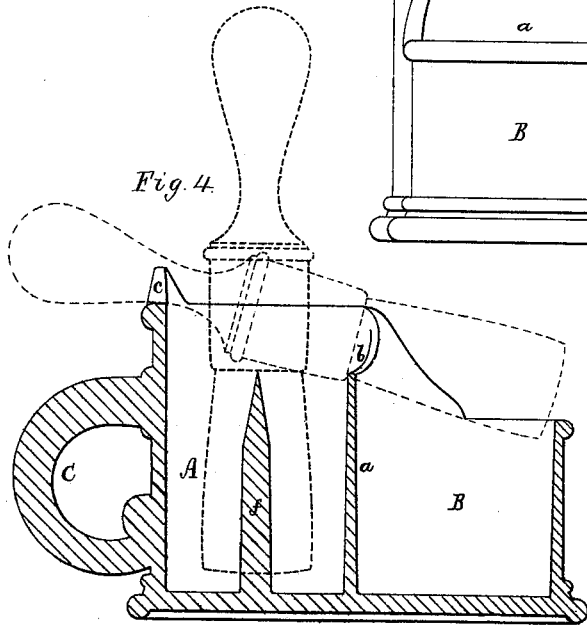


Fig. 4.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHAVING-MUGS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN W. SMITH, of Boston, of the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shaving-Mugs; and do hereby declare the same to be described in the following specification and represented in the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a top view, Fig. 2 a side elevation, Fig. 3 a front-end view, and Fig. 4 a longitudinal section, of a mug embracing my invention, which consists as follows: first, in a shaving-mug having in the upper part of the partition, between the soap and water chambers, a concavity for supporting a shaving-brush when resting on the back of the upper edge of such mug, such concavity being also for facilitating the removal of lather or water from the brush; second, in a shaving-mug having extended from its upper edge two projections, for supporting the handle of a shaving-brush, as hereinafter explained; third, in a shaving-mug having extended from its upper edge two projections, and also having a concavity in the partition between its water and soap receptacles, such being for support of a shaving-brush, as represented; fourth, in a shaving-mug provided with a post or standard arranged in its water-receptacle, and extended up from its bottom, as and for the purpose hereinafter explained.

In the drawings, A denotes the hot-water reservoir; B, the soap-receptacle; and C, the handle, the said reservoir and receptacle being formed as shown, and separated one from the other by an intervening curved partition, *a*, the upper part of which I make concave or notched, as shown at *b*. There are also to the rear part of the water-reservoir two projections, *c c*, which are extended up from the upper edge thereof, and with reference to the mug-handle, in manner as shown. These projections are for supporting the handle of the brush, so as to prevent it from accidentally falling laterally off the mug when the mass of bristles of such brush may be resting on the upper edge of the partition. Furthermore, there extends up from

the bottom of the water-reservoir a post or standard, *f*, pointed at its upper end. This is to so support the brush as to keep the bristles thereof out of contact with the bottom of the reservoir when it may be desirable to insert the brush in and allow it to remain in the said reservoir. To do this the brush is to be forced endwise down upon the post, so as to cause the latter to pass axially up within the mass of bristles.

When a brush is allowed to stand in the water-reservoir, the weight of the brush usually causes the bristles to bear on the bottom of the reservoir, so as to become bent up or spread out of shape thereby.

By having the partition curved or notched in its upper part, as shown, the brush, when drawn across it, can be freed thereby of soap or water to better advantage, and with less pressure and wear, than would be the case were the upper edge of the partition straight.

I claim—

1. A shaving-mug having the partition between its water and soap receptacles curved or notched at top, substantially as and for the purpose as specified.

2. A shaving-mug having extended upward from its upper edge two projections, *c c*, arranged with the handle, and in other respects as set forth, such being for the purpose of supporting a brush-handle when laid between them.

3. A shaving-mug having the partition between its water and soap receptacles notched or concave on its upper edge, as set forth, in combination with two projections, *c c*, extended from the upper edge of the mug, and arranged with the handle and the notched partition, as specified.

4. A shaving-mug provided with a post or standard, *f*, projecting up from the bottom of the hot-water reservoir of such mug, and being for the purpose as explained.

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