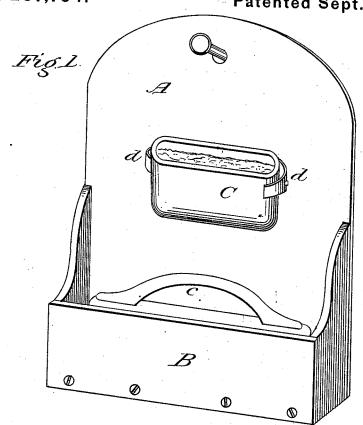
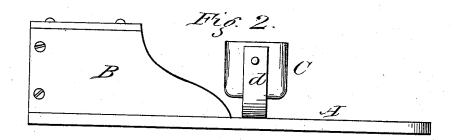
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IMPROVEMENT IN BRUSH AND BLACKING-BOX HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. ANDRUSS, of Brooklyn, Kings county, New York, have invented an Improved Stove-Blacking Utensil, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to provide a neat and convenient device which shall embody or retain together in one article the necessary implements used in stove-blacking, and that may be conveniently hung upon the wall when not in use; and the invention may be stated to consist in a utensil formed of a baseboard provided with a pocket for the brush and a pivoted self-righting receptacle for the blacking, and adapted to be hung on the wall or placed flatly on the stove-top.

In the drawing, Figure 1 gives a perspective view of my improved utensil, (shown hung upon the wall, as when out of use:) and Fig. 2 shows the same placed horizontally upon the top of the stove, as when used for the blacking of the same.

As represented, A is the base-board or sustaining-plate of the device, which is made preferably of either wood or thin cast-iron, one end of which is provided with an inclosure or pocket, B, for the reception of the usual polishing-brush c, as shown, while the opposite end of the base has a hole, f, by which the utensil may be conveniently hung upon the wall when not in use, as seen in Fig. 1. The central part of the base is provided with up-

rights or supports d, in which a cup or receptacle, C, for the blacking, preferably formed of cast-iron, is gimbaled or pivoted above its center of gravity, so that the cup is thus rendered self-righting. The blacking-receptacle will thus always assume an upright position whether the utensil is hung from the wall, as seen in Fig. 1, or placed flatly on the top of the stove when used in polishing the same, as seen in Fig. 2, thus preventing the spilling of the blacking, and permitting of its convenient use by the brush, as required.

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The necessary implements used in the operation of stove-blacking, which are usually separated and often mislaid, are thus combined and retained together in one simple utensil, which thus obviates the inconvenience and uncleanliness attending the use of the usual separated implements, and adds materially to the neatness of the household.

What I claim as my invention is—A stove-blacking utensil composed of a base-plate, A, provided with a brush-pocket, B, and a pivoted self-righting blacking-cup, C, adapted to be hung in a vertical or placed in a horizontal position, substantially as herein shown and described.

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