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SOAP RECEPTACLE.

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FIG. 1.

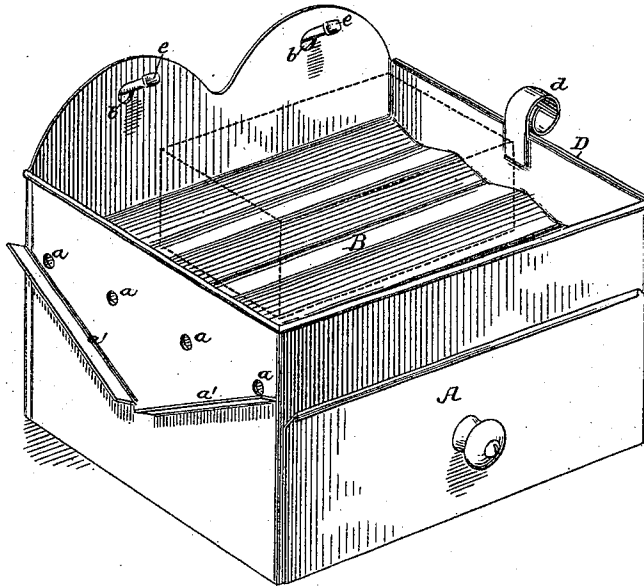
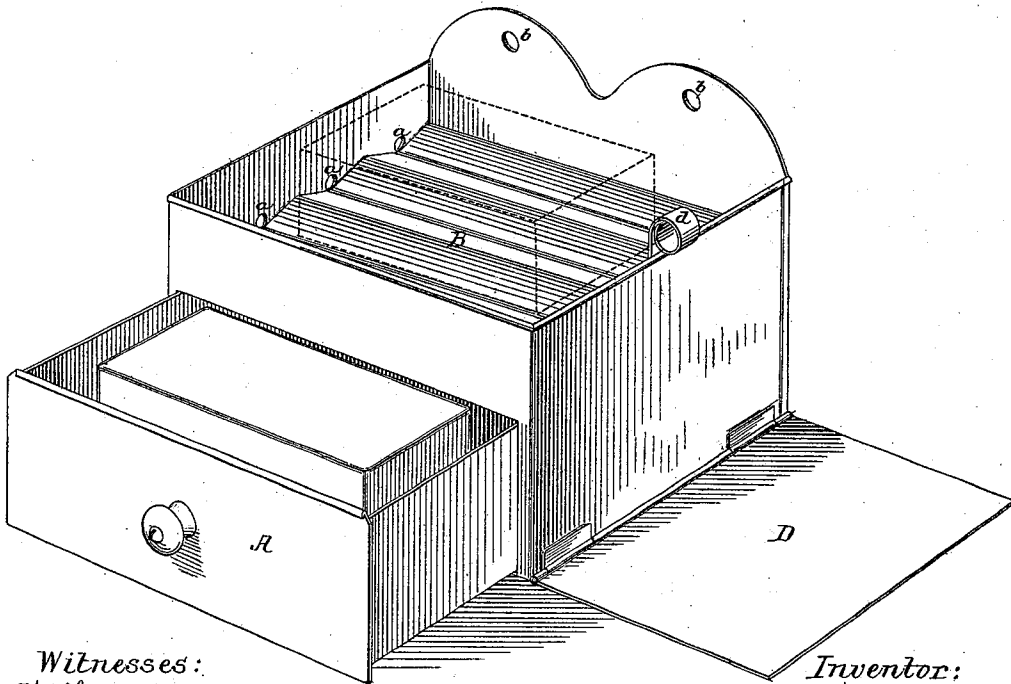


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANGELINE H. CAMPBELL, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Soap-Receptacle, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of an improved and convenient construction of soap dish or receptacle, more especially adapted for use in the kitchen and where two kinds of soap have to be used, one for the cleaning of dishes, &c., and the other for the cleaning of knives and other utensils.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved soap-dish as it hangs on the wall, preferably over the sink, where it is convenient for the washing of dishes, &c., and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the receptacle taken down from its suspending hooks or nails and laid on the table, ready for use for the cleaning of knives and other utensils.

I prefer, for convenience and economy, to make the soap-dish of tin or other sheet metal, although it may be made of wood, if desired, and I make it of the rectangular form shown in the drawings, with a drawer, A, at the lower part to contain sand-soap or similar material for the cleaning of knives, &c., while immediately over the drawer is a partition, B, which, with the sides of the casing, forms a dish for the soap for general washing and cleaning purposes. I prefer to make this partition B of the corrugated form illustrated in the drawings, and to arrange it at an inclination, so that water which drips from the soap will not collect in the bottom, but pass off through openings *a* at the lower end of the inclined partition, and there drop down into the sink below. Inclined gutters *a'* may be secured to the outside of the soap-dish below these openings *a* to direct the escaping water toward one point.

The back plate of the casing is preferably

carried up some distance above the height of the front and sides, and is provided with openings *b*, for convenience in hanging the soap-receptacle on hooks or nails *c* on the wall.

At the end of the receptacle opposite that in which are the openings *a*, I provide a shelf or plate, D, which is hinged to the bottom of that side of the casing, while at the upper edge I provide a suitable spring-catch, *d*, so that when the shelf D is turned up on its hinge it will be caught and held by the spring-catch *d*, as shown in Fig. 1.

Under ordinary circumstances the soap-dish remains hung upon the wall, with the drawer closed and the shelf D turned up in the closed position. The soap in the top receptacle is thus within convenient reach for use in washing dishes, &c., in the sink below.

When knives or utensils of a similar character are to be cleaned, the soap-dish is taken down from the nail and laid on the table. The drawer A is opened or pulled out, and the shelf D is turned down to the position shown in Fig. 2 on the table, so that in cleaning, the points of the knives, &c., can be laid upon this plate or shelf, while the sand-soap in the drawer is in convenient proximity for use. The shelf D thus protects the table from dirt, which would otherwise be rubbed into it in cleaning the knives.

I claim as my invention—

1. A soap-dish having a hinged shelf, D, at one end, as and for the purpose described.
2. A soap-dish provided at one end with a shelf, D, hinged at the bottom, and a catch on the upper edge to retain the shelf in the closed position.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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