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an adjustable stop to limit the movement of the diaphragm valve.

SASH HOLDER.—Lewis H. Bowman, Walla Walla, Wash. To hold window sash, without rattling, at any height desired, and to prevent the ingress of air or dust when the sash is closed, are the main objects of this invention, the device serving also as a lock to prevent raising the window from the outside. The device comprises a frame fitting against the sash within the window casing, the frame being swung away from the sash by links, while the frame may be swung tight against the sash by a pivoted cam lever and link.

WAGON AXLE BEARING.—Henry M. Cromer, Anderson, S. C. This invention is designed to facilitate the utilization of old thimble skeins, making them fit closely upon the axle, as well as provide a new construction, which consists of a conical sleeve attached to each end of the spindle bearing and adjustable in either direction, by which the spindle may be made to simply fit the sleeve at all times, and by which the position of the hub upon the axle may be adjusted to keep the tread of the wagon constant.

CLINICAL THERMOMETER SHIELD.—Jennie C. Harrington, Ossian, Ia. This shield is especially designed for use on fever thermometers, to prevent patients from breaking the instrument while it is being held in the mouth. It consists of a casing, preferably of a suitable metal, such as aluminum or silver, made in two longitudinal sections hinged directly together and provided with a fastening device, the sections holding and inclosing the thermometer tube, but being open at one end to permit the mercury bulb to extend beyond, and there being in one of the sections a longitudinal slot through which may be read the scale indicating the degree of temperature.

APPARATUS FOR COOLING LIQUIDS.—William L. Spoon, Jr., Burlington, N. C. For cooling hot water or other liquid used in ice machines, etc., this inventor has devised an apparatus which is designed to be very effective, while permitting the use of the liquid over and over again with a minimum percentage of loss by evaporation. It comprises a perforated casing into the upper end of which a current of air is to be forced, a nozzle connected with the liquid supply spraying liquid into the casing, while the latter has a perforated zigzag supporting leg containing perforated plates. The liquid is thus atomized and sprayed in finely divided state, and at the same time subjected to a current of air of ordinary or low temperature, causing accelerated evaporation and cooling.

STERILIZING APPARATUS.—Arthur J. Vause, Sydney, New South Wales. For sterilizing milk and other liquids, and the receptacles in which the milk is placed, as well as for automatically bottling and corking the milk, this inventor has devised an apparatus in which the milk is first passed in bottles through a series of inclined ways, kept at varying and adjusted temperature, passing from thence to be received in a steam jacketed container, from which it passes through a deodorizer and thence to a filling apparatus. The apparatus is provided at various points with thermometers, according to which the temperature may be regulated as desired.

WATER COCK.—Maurice Andriveau, Paris, France. This invention relates to cocks in which automatic closing takes place, and provides a cock which will have a double closing action, and which at each operation supplies only a predetermined quantity of water. The valve casing has two apertured seats, in both of which the cutoff valve, constructed in two longitudinally adjustable sections, may seat itself, the length of the valve being changeable, there being means for changing the pressure on one side to cause the valve to move from one seat to the other. The valve will operate in any position, with the outlet facing upward, downward or laterally.

WASHING MACHINE.—Alexander E. Illes, Tecumseh, Oklahoma Ter. In a suitably constructed frame, according to this invention, a semi-circular receptacle is mounted to rock, there being within it a rubbing cylinder journaled in a frame with which is loosely connected an arm adapted to receive a swinging motion from the receptacle to move the rubbing cylinder in an opposite direction to the movement of the receptacle. By this means a proper rubbing and washing of the clothes is effected without danger of tearing them, the machine being easily operated and of simple and durable construction.

BOSOM PAD.—Dora Harrison, Lansing, Mich. This pad is an improvement on a formerly patented invention of the same inventor, providing an improved dress form readily applied to or removed from the pockets of corsets and other garments, and designed to insure a proper fitting of the dress. It is made in two pad sections, each having a back and front section with meeting edges having flanges lying snugly against each other, a welt surrounding and cemented to the flanges, while lace arms are secured by adjustable lacing to the welts of the pad sections.

ROLLING PIN.—Anson B. Fowler, Shelton, Wash. This device may be used as an ordinary rolling pin, in the preparation of dough for the oven, or with a flour delivery for sprinkling the dough to be rolled, to prevent it from sticking or adhering to the pin, and with this view is made with two shells, one within the other, and each having perforations, which may be brought in line with each other or not, as desired, the inner shell forming a flour receptacle. The arts are readily detachable to facilitate cleaning.

Designs.

SEPARATOR.—Frank H. Congdon, East Greenwich, R. I. This invention relates to separators used in spinning machinery, such as the Doyle separator, and embodies an improved form thereof. The blades are so curved as to present fewer chances of collecting lint and dirt, and are also lighter, giving the ring rail less weight to move.

GLASS PITCHER.—Joseph Wilson, New York City. This pitcher has panels decorated with "punties," and prismatic panels at each side of such panels, box panels crossing the others.

BICYCLE LUGGAGE CARRIER.—A. J. Gilfillan, Smethport, Pa., and W. H. White, Nyack, N. Y. This is a bracket device to be fitted on the steering head and having arms projecting from each side adapted to conveniently carry a variety of packages.

SPoon HANDLE.—Herman J. Klunpp, Portland, Oregon. On the obverse side this handle represents interlaced ribbons, with panels containing floral figures, while on the reverse side are scroll and shell figures and a beaded ribbon following the margin of the bead.

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A. M. Eiel gives the following formula for a mixture which can be used for metal, glass or wood: Gum tragacanth, 30 grammes; acacia gum, 120 grammes; water, 500 cubic centimeters. Dissolve, filter and add 2½ grammes of thymol suspended in 120 cubic centimeters of glycerine; then add enough water to make up the bulk to 1 liter. This bath will keep a long time.

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