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MOP-HEAD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES A. TAYLOR, of Alden, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented a new and 5 Improved Mode of Constructing Mop-Sticks, which I have described in the following specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings with sufficient clearness to enable others of competent skill 10 to make and use my invention, which consists in a method of securing the mop in the stick and by the same means fastening the parts of the mop-stick together. The drawing is a vertical projection of 15 my improved mop stick—the left hand end of the parts B and D, being shown in section to give a better view of the internal construction of the parts. A is the handle. It is coned at the lower 20 end where it enters a conical hole of corresponding taper, in the bar B. A small hole is bored through the handle A at a short distance above the bar B, and through this hole a cord C passes, and the ends of $\overline{i}t$ after

being passed through the ends of the bar 25 B, are tied into the ends of the bar D, as shown in the drawing. To introduce a mop into the stick, it is necessary to turn the handle in such a manner as to allow the bars B and D to separate a short dis- 30 tance to admit the mop between them, which may be fastened firmly in its place, and the parts held snugly in position by turning the handle in such a way as to wind up the cord. If the handle A should 35 at any time show a tendency to slip, it may be slightly driven into the bar B. I claim to be the original and first inventor of the combination of the handle A and the bars B and D with the cord C 40 or its equivalent, the whole being constructed and combined, and operating substantially as herein set forth or in any other manner substantially the same.

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