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Umbrella Drip-Cup.

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Fig. 1.

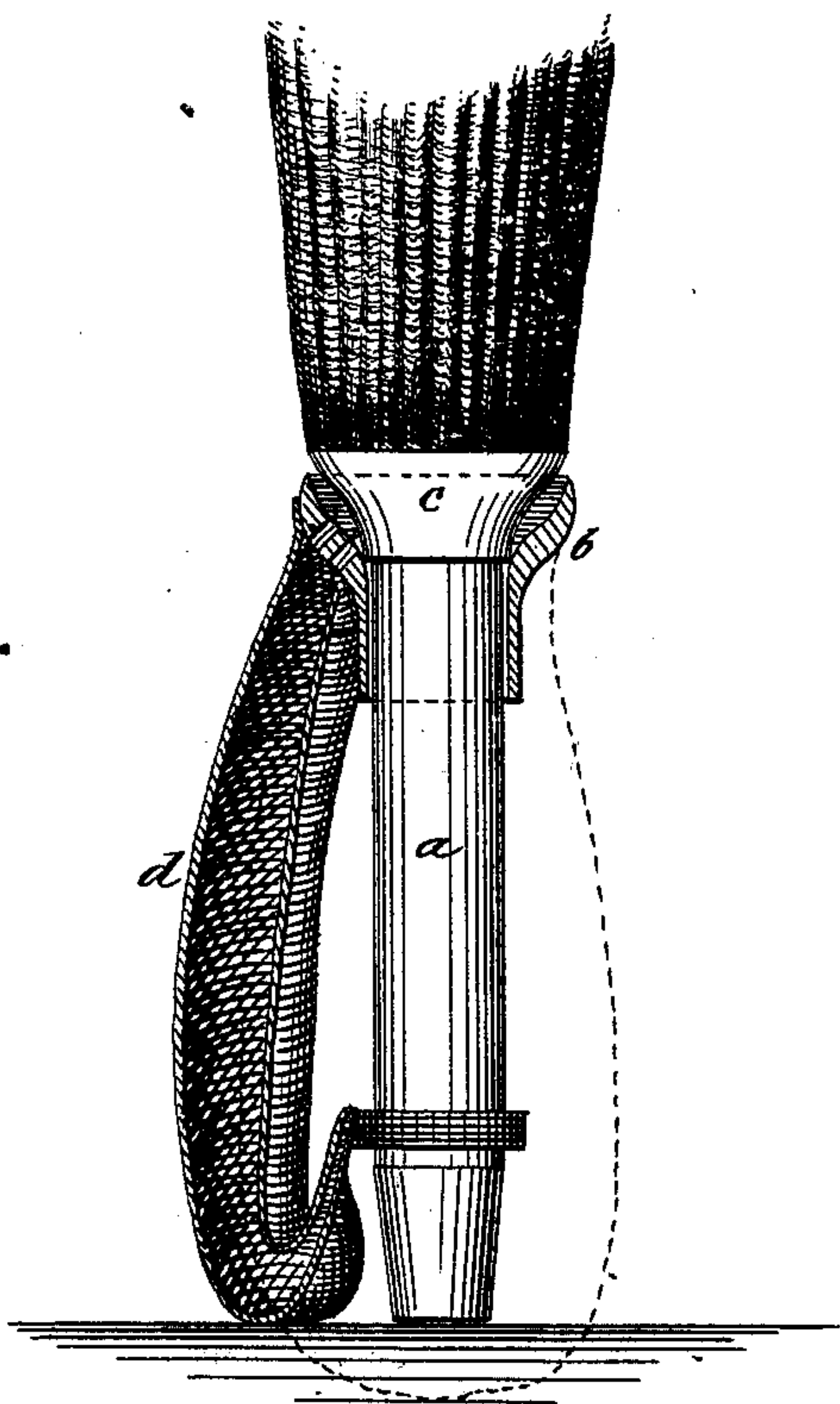
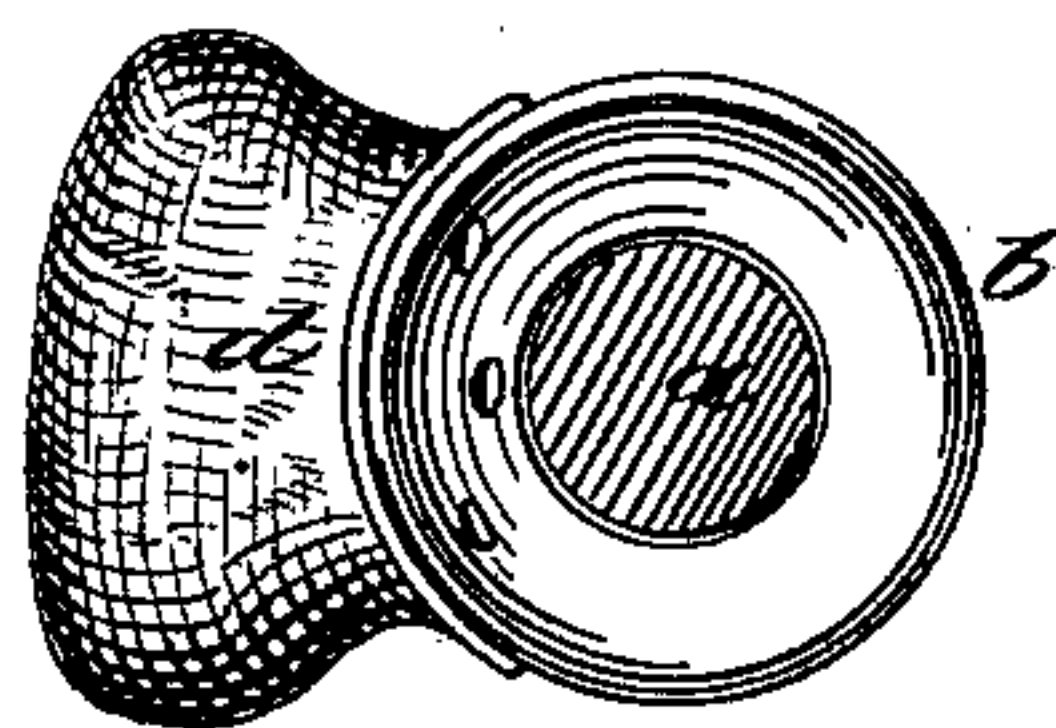


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN UMBRELLA DRIP-CUPS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, DAVID M. HURLBURT and CHARLES R. SLOCUM, of Hornellsville, in the county of Steuben and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Drip-Cup and Holder for Umbrellas, of which the following is a specification.

The object of our invention is to furnish a drip-cup for attachment to an umbrella that will serve to catch and retain the drippings from the umbrella when closed.

Our invention consists in a collar with a flaring rim and having attached to it a flexible bag. The collar is placed upon the umbrella-point, outside the clamping-ring, so that the drippings will run into the space formed by the flaring portion of the collar, and from thence into the flexible bag.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a sectional elevation of the drip-cup attached upon an umbrella. Fig. 2 is an end view, the umbrella-stick being in cross-section.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

a represents an umbrella-point.

The drip-holder consists of an annular cup-shaped collar or sleeve, *b*, adapted for sliding upon the point *a* tightly, so as to be retained by friction contiguous to the ring *c*, that clamps the flexible material of the umbrella.

The rim of *b* next to ring *c* is flaring, as shown, thereby forming an annular space, into which the drippings will run when the umbrella is held or stood up point downward. At the bottom of the recess the collar *b* is perforated, and it has attached to it a bag, *d*, of

rubber or other flexible material, that receives the water from the annular recess and retains it.

The bag *d* may be attached at one side of collar *b*, as shown, with its lower end retained in place by a cord attached to it and around the point *a*; or it may be attached around *c*, and the point *a* may pass into or through it, as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1.

The bag *d*, being of flexible material, will fold together, so as to occupy but little space when not in use, and expand as it becomes filled. The bag should be of water-proof material, so as to retain the water until such time as it is emptied.

The device described may be removed from the umbrella at pleasure, when not required for use or for emptying, and it constitutes an efficient and convenient means for catching the drippings and preventing the trouble and annoyance caused by the drippings from wet umbrellas running upon floors and carpets.

The water in the holder cannot be readily spilled out, as would be the case with an open rigid cup.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination, with the point *a*, of the sliding collar *b*, the ring *c*, and the flexible bag *d*, as shown and described, for the purpose specified.

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