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COVER FOR COOKING UTENSILS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JENNIE TALLADAY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Auburn, in the county of Cayuga and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Tin Covers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in covers for cooking utensils; and it consists in the novel features of construction hereinafter described, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which illustrate one form in which I have contemplated embodying my invention, and said invention is fully disclosed in the following description and claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device. Fig. 2 is also a perspective view of my device, but the flap for covering the openings in said cover is shown in an upward position. Fig. 3 shows a portion of my cover having a modified form of drain-opening. Fig. 4 is a cross-section showing the perforations and the flap *b*, which closes them. Fig. 5 is a cross-section showing one of the radial slots *R*.

A is the ordinary-shaped cover for cooking utensils provided with the usual flange composed of the upwardly-extending portion *i* and the outwardly-extending portion *h* at its periphery, both of said portions forming means for preventing the cover from sliding off from the utensil upon which it is placed. A handle *e* is secured to the main central portion of the cover by any preferred means; but in this instance it is represented as being soldered thereto.

Between the handle *e* and the flange, hereinbefore mentioned, I swivel the flap *b* in any suitable way; but I have shown it as being fastened by means of a hinge, one member *g* of which is made integral with the flap *b* and the other member *g'* attached to the cover proper. A small finger-ring *k* is attached to said flap *b* by means of the clip *m*, as shown in Fig. 4, so that the said flap may be raised when desired by one of the fingers of the hand which grasps the handle *e* being slipped there-through. This flap is of sufficient length, so that it extends to the periphery of the said cover, and the end is provided with an upwardly-extending portion *o* and a downwardly-extending portion *n*, each of said portions be-

ing made to correspond, respectively, with each of the upwardly and downwardly extending portions of said flange. Under this flap *b* and in the main central portion are a series of openings *Q*, as shown in Fig. 2. These openings are continued on through the upwardly-extending portion *i* of the flange and are represented by the letter *Q'*. A portion of the downwardly-extending portion *h* of said flange is cut away adjacent to the openings *Q'*, as shown at *P*, thereby insuring a solid stream of liquid from the openings *R*. When the liquor is running from the openings *R*, the streams from the upper openings fall on the streams from the lower and form one large solid stream. Should the portion *P* not have been cut away, as before mentioned, then a portion of the liquor would trickle along the said portion *P* and would break up the volume of the stream. From the construction hereinbefore described it will be seen that the flap, with its upwardly-extending portion, will serve as a means for closing the openings *R* and *Q* when desirable.

In the modification shown in Fig. 3 the openings are made in the form of radial slots *R*, running through the main central portion and extending part way up the upwardly-extending portion *i* of the flange.

It is often desirable to strain the liquor off after the articles of food are thoroughly cooked. This has been rendered difficult by reason of the fact that the steam rises and makes it almost impossible for the hand to be kept on the handle. It has also been very difficult for all of the liquor to be drained off on account of the perforations in the cover not being made close enough to the point where the edge of the cooking utensil engages said cover, thereby allowing a small portion to remain in the utensil, and by the use of my improved device these difficulties have been avoided.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a cover having a main central portion and being provided with a flange having an upwardly and outwardly extending portion, the combination of a flap swiveled to said main central portion, an upwardly and outwardly extending end portion on said flap adapted to fit and lie flat on said flange, said

main central portion and said upwardly-extending portion of said flange being perforated beneath said flap and said outwardly-extending portion of said flange being broken
5 away adjacent to said perforations and means for grasping said flap, substantially as described.

2. In a cover having a main central portion and being provided with a flange having a
10 downwardly-extending portion, the combination of a flap swiveled to said main central portion, a downwardly-extending end portion on said flap adapted to fit said flange, said main central portion and said downwardly-

extending portion of said flange being perforated beneath said flap and said downwardly-extending portion of said flange being broken
15 away adjacent to said perforations and means for grasping said flap, substantially as described.
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In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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