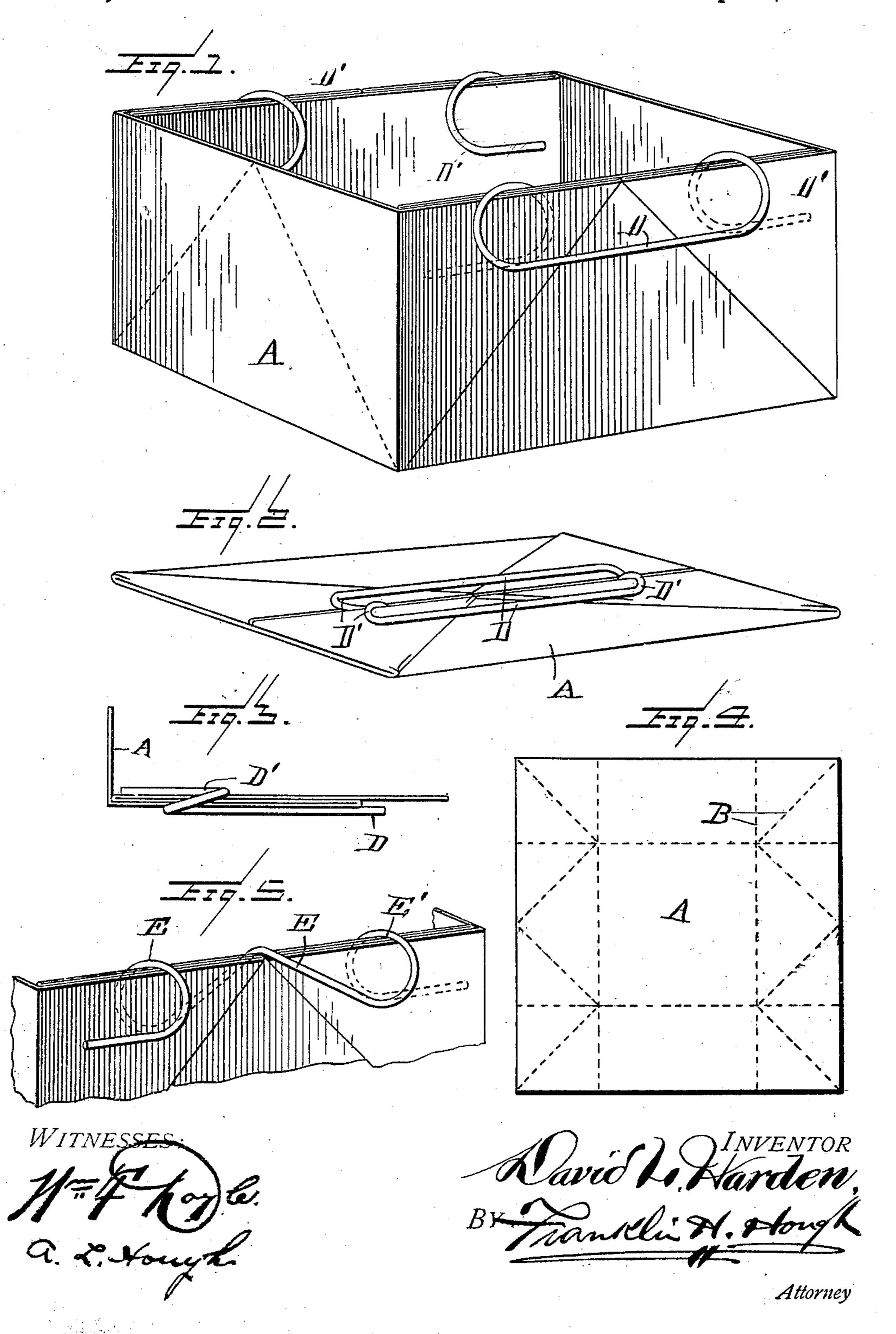
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID L. HARDEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newaygo, in the county of Newaygo and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuspidors; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in folding spittoons and comprises essentially a receptacle of simple construction and made so as to fold into a compact form and designed to contain preferably an absorbent material adapted to be disinfected, and comprises various details of construction, combinations and arrangements of parts which will be hereinafter fully described and then specifically defined in the

25 appended claims.

My invention is illustrated in the accom-

panying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the spittoon opened up in readiness for use.

30 Fig. 2 is a detail view showing it closed or folded. Fig. 3 is a detail view showing the manner of reinforcing the wall of the receptacle. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the blank of paper or other material out of which the respectacle is made, and Fig. 5 is an enlarged detail perspective view showing a slight modification of the reinforcing wire.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a receptable made of a blank of paper or other suitable material designed to be folded along the scored lines, designated by letter B—B in Fig. 4 of the drawings, forming flaps when the box is opened out assuming the position shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. Reinforcing wires, designated by letter D, are provided each of which is inclined to form a coil D' adapted to fit over the flaps of the box to

hold the same in the manner disclosed in

Fig. 1.

In Fig. 5 of the drawings, I have shown a slight modification of the reinforcing wire, designated by letter E, in which there are two loops E' with the shank portion of the wire extending over the upper edge of the 55 side walls of the box instead of the inner shank portion bearing on the outside of the box as shown in Fig. 1.

When the box is closed or folded, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, it will be reduced to 60 a compact form convenient for storage or carrying about in a pocket and may be readily

opened out for ready use.

It is my purpose preferably to place an absorbent material, suitably disinfected in the 65 receptacle and which may be destroyed with the receptacle without the necessity of cleansing the latter when using it over and over again as is commonly done with the ordinary spittoon.

What I claim to be new is:—

1. A collapsible spittoon made of a single sheet of material having flaps which are adapted to overlap one another and fold against the sides of the receptacle, resilient 75 wires each bent to form a plurality of coils designed to hold the folded flaps against the sides of the receptacle, the ends of the wire extending in opposite directions, as set forth.

2. A collapsible spittoon made of a single 80 sheet of material having flaps which are adapted to overlap one another and fold against the sides of the receptacle, resilient wires each bent to form a plurality of coils designed to hold the folded flaps against the 85 sides of the receptacle, the ends of the wire bearing against the inner surface of the walls of the receptacle and in alinement with each other, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my 90 signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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