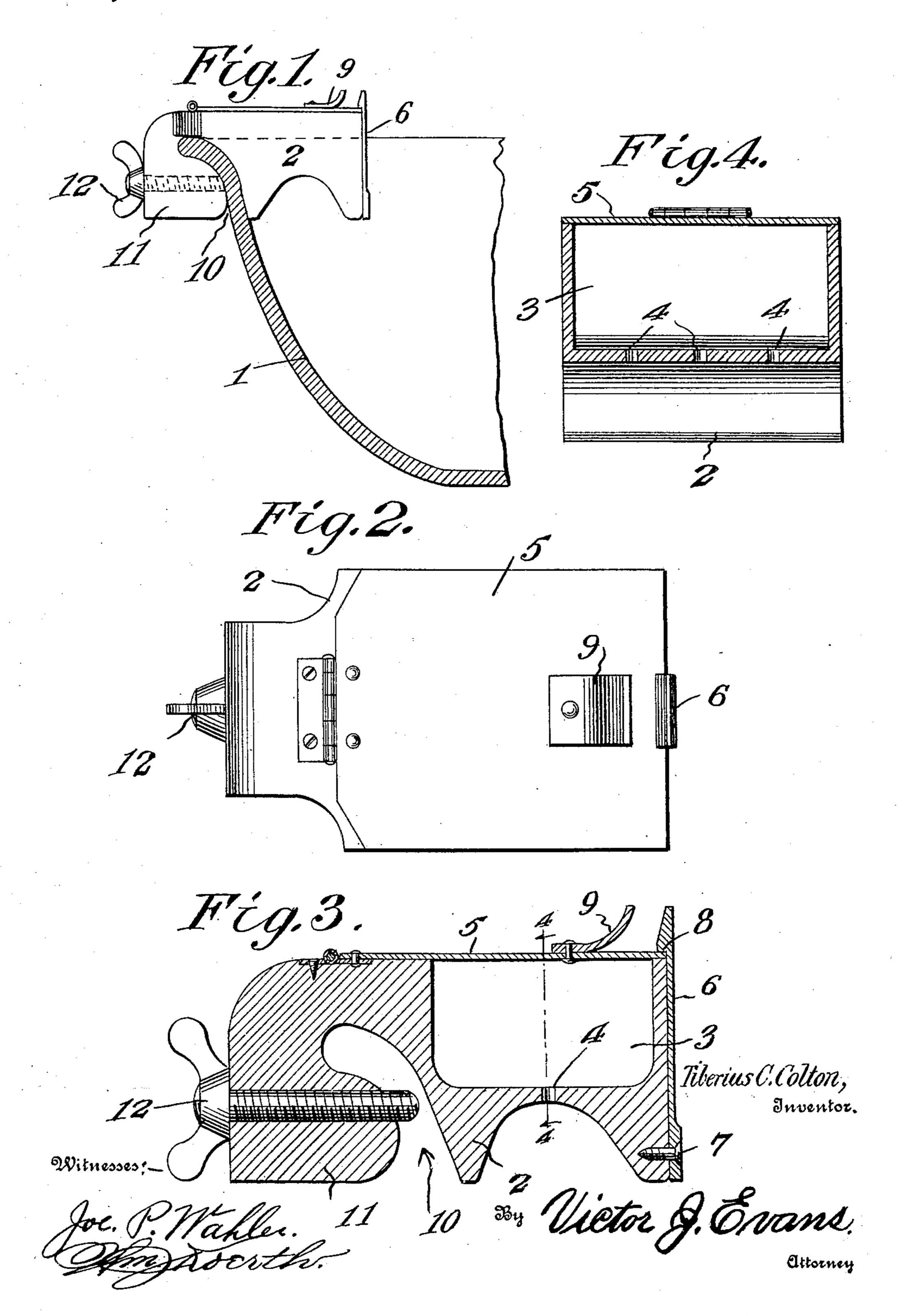
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Tiberius C. Colton, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at Griswold, in the Province of Mani-5 toba and Dominion of Canada, have invented new and useful Improvements in Soap-Dishes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to soap receptacles for portable wash basins, and the object of 10 the invention is to provide a device of this character which may be readily applied to or detached from an ordinary wash basin, or which, if desired may remain a permanent member connected with the wash basin.

Another object of the invention is to provide a device of this character comprising a receptacle having a soap compartment provided with suitable drain openings and a hinged cover secured upon the compartment 20 by a spring catch, the cover being provided with a finger hold or lift in close proximity | with the catch whereby an operator grasping the catch will press the latch out of engagement with the cover so as to provide for 25 the lifting of the cover by a single operation.

With these and other objects in view the invention resides in the novel construction of elements and their arrangement in operative combination, hereinafter fully described and 30 claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a partial sectional view of a portable basin of the usual construction illustrating the improved soap receptacle in applied position 35 thereon. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the receptacle. Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal sectional view of the receptacle. Fig. 4 is a vertical transverse sectional view upon the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

In the accompanying drawings, the numeral 1 designates a portable wash basin of the usual construction. This basin 1 may be constructed of metal or porcelain and has its side walls curved and its edges curved in an 45 opposite direction in the usual manner in which the ordinary basins are constructed.

The soap receptacle 2 comprises a body | portion having a recessed soap compartment 3 provided with drain outlets 4. This com-50 partment 3 is provided with a hinged cover | 5, and is secured upon the top walls of the receptacle by a spring catch 6. This catch |

of spring metal secured to the lower projecting portion of the receptacle by a retaining 55 element 7 and has its upper projecting portion provided with a lip 8 adapted to contact with the edge of the cover 5 and retain it in position over the compartment 3. The cover 5 is also provided with a curved clip 60 or lift 9 secured opposite and in spaced relation to the projecting portion of the catch 6. The space between the projecting portion of the catch 6 and the curved face of the lift 9 is slightly lesser than the thickness of a per- 65 son's finger, so that when the cover is to be raised upon its hinges, the finger of an operator inserted between the lift 9 and the projecting portion of the spring catch 6 will force the offset of the catch away from en- 70 gagement with the edge of the cover and allow the cover to be raised by a single operation.

The receptacle 2 is provided with an arcuate slot or opening 10 adapted for the recep- 75 tion of the curved side wall of a basin. The projection or finger 11 provided by the arcuate cut away portion 10, opposite the soap compartment 3 is provided with a longitudinally extending threaded bore adapted for 80 the reception of a threaded element 12 which contacts with the outer face of the side wall of the basin 1 and securely retains the receptacle upon the basin.

From the above description, taken in con- 85 nection with the drawings, it will be seen that a simple, cheap and effective soap receptacle is provided for ordinary portable wash basins, one which may be readily secured to or disconnected from the basin, and 90 one which is provided with a hinged cover for the soap compartment normally retained upon the compartment by a spring catch and having a lift which when contacted by the finger of an operator will disengage the 95 spring catch and allow the cover to be raised by the pressure of the finger.

Having thus fully described the invention what is claimed as new is:

The combination with a portable wash 100 basin of a removable soap receptacle, said receptacle being provided with a pocket having a water outlet and having its body cut away to coincide with the upper cross sectional contour of the basin, a hinged cover 105 6 is preferably constructed of a single strip | for the pocket, a lift comprising an arcuate

upwardly extending member upon the cover, substantially as and for the purpose set a spring catch for the cover, said catch com- | forth. prising a rectangular member having its | In t lower end secured to the lower portion of the receptacle and its upper end provided with a lip adapted to engage over the edge of the cover and having a portion extending beyond said lip in close proximity with the lift,

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

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