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Fig. 1

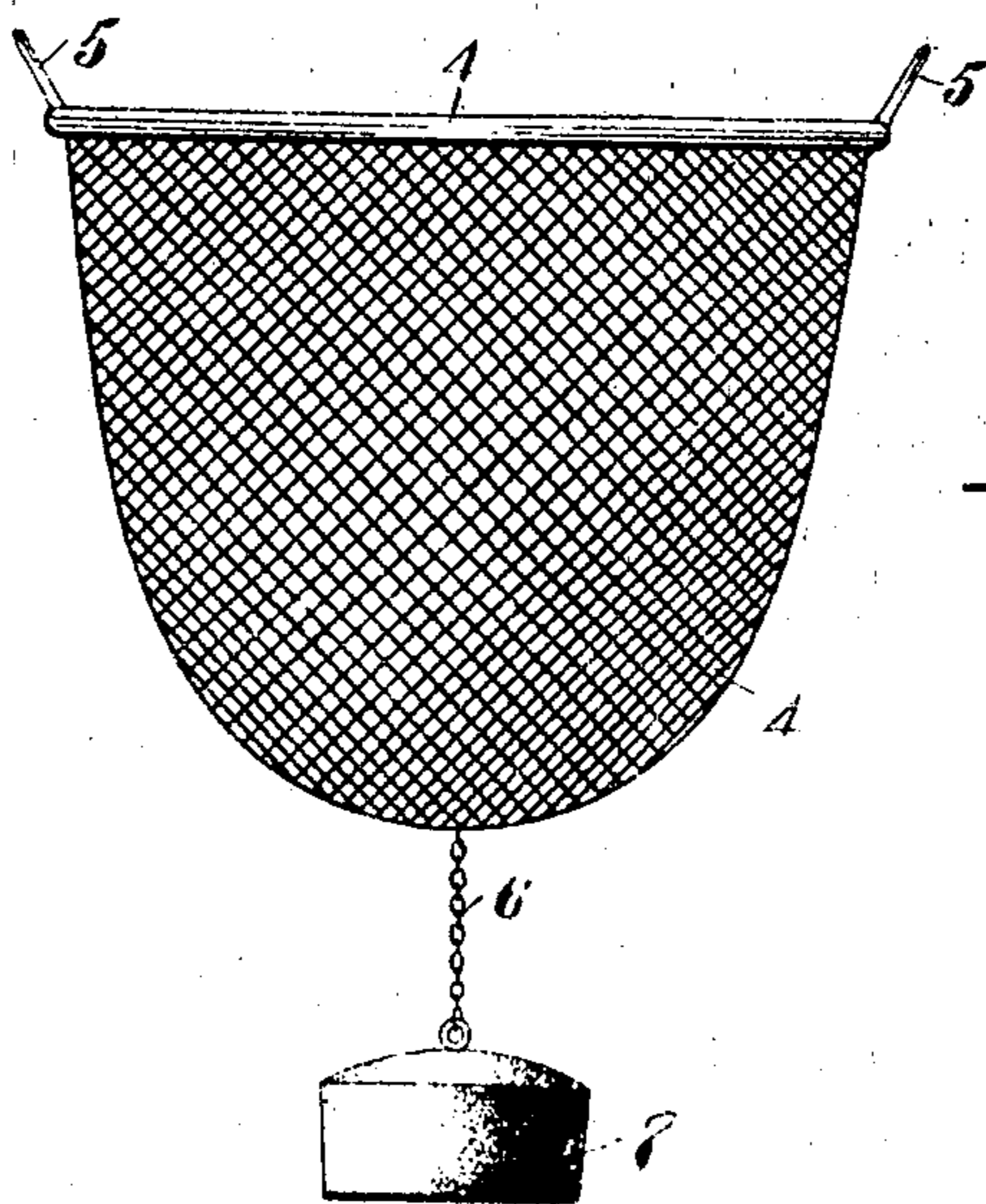
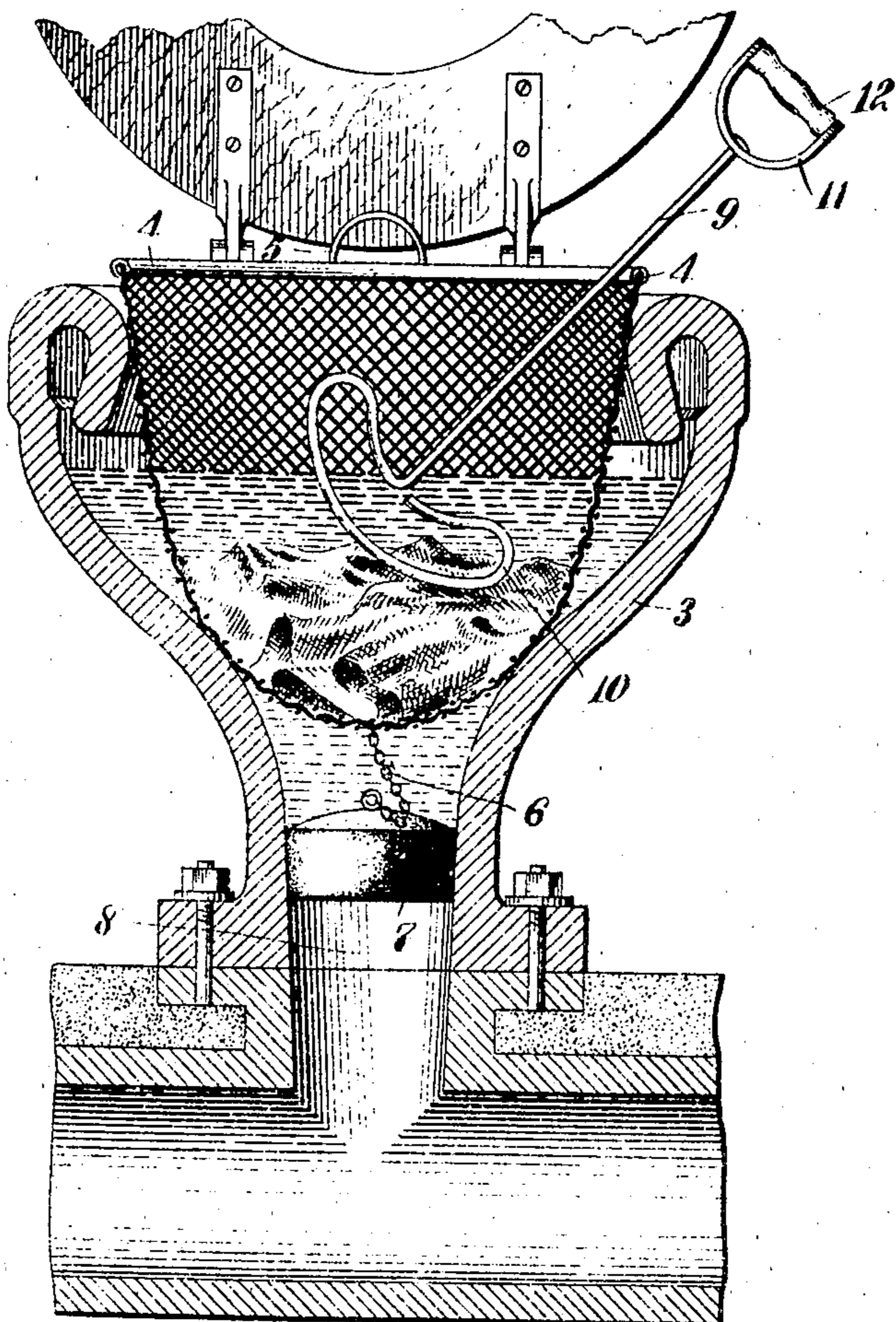


Fig. 2

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES BREWER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Receptacle for Baby-Cloths, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which this invention has in view are: to provide a receptacle for baby cloths and other articles of personal wear peculiarly disagreeable to handle, which receptacle is adapted to be set within the bowl of a water closet during the cleansing manipulation of the cloths and to retain no water when lifted therefrom; and to provide a receptacle of the character set forth with a plug or stopper adapted to hold the water of the flushing system in the bowl.

One embodiment of the present invention is disclosed in the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a vertical section of an ordinary form of toilet bowl showing my invention in connection therewith; Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the cloth receptacle and plug for closing the toilet bowl, shown in connected arrangement.

While I have shown the invention as applied to a conically shaped toilet bowl 3, it will be understood that the same is applicable to all forms of toilet bowls, the pan shaped as well as the conical. The receptacle 4 is basket-shaped and constructed from a suitable wire, being woven to produce a suitable large mesh. The receptacle is of a size convenient to fit within the bowl of a toilet, extending downward therein. The receptacle is provided with carrying handles 5—5 and is secured by means of a flexible connector 6 with a plug 7. The plug 7 is formed from any suitable material, lightness in weight being desired, and the outer surface is covered with a soft rubber adapted to permit the plug 7 to be squeezed within the neck 8 of the bowl and to close the same against the passage of the water received from the flushing system.

Any form of manipulator adapted to operate the cloths so as to effect a cleansing thereof is used in conjunction with the receptacle 4; that preferred by me is shown in the drawings and consists in a straight

handle section 9 having at the lower end thereof a loop 10, and at the outer end a looped extension 11, on the one section of which is mounted a suitable hand-hold 12. The handle section 9 is of a length adapted to extend the loop 10 to the bottom of the receptacle 4.

As above stated, the invention is adapted for use in bowls of the conical style illustrated in the drawings and of the pan style, the flexible connector 6 being elongated sufficiently to permit the plug 7 to be extended in the throat of the exhaust of the said bowl. The flexible connector 6 is preferably formed as a flat metal chain such as is used for holding the stopper or plug of a bath-tub.

In an apparatus thus constructed, the operation is as follows: The receptacle 4 when not being used as a washer is used as a receptacle for the accumulation of the soiled cloths. When it is desired to wash the cloths the receptacle 4 is removed to the toilet bowl and the plug 7 is placed within the exhaust neck thereof, the plug being seated firmly so as to close the exit of the water therethrough. The receptacle is then placed within the bowl and the flushing chain operated to draw water from the flushing tank, into the bowl. This water passes intimately throughout the receptacle 4 and intermingles with the cloths contained therein. A suitable cleansing compound is now placed in the water and the cloths are manipulated by means of the manipulator 9 until sufficiently cleansed, when the receptacle is raised from its seat within the bowl, by means of the handles 5—5, the raising of which lifts the plug 7 from the exhaust neck 8 of the toilet, permitting the foul water to escape. It will be noticed that in this operation the hands of the operator have not become soiled or in any way brought in contact with either the dirty cloths or the water. If now, it be desired that the cloths shall be rewashed or cleansed, it is easy to return the plug 7 to its seat within the neck 8, and the receptacle within the bowl 3. By operating the flushing chain of the bowl, the water is drawn into the bowl sufficiently to continue the cleansing operation by means of the manipulator 9. This operation can be repeated as many times as is desired, until the cleansing is absolute.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. A receptacle of the character described,
5 comprising a receptacle the sides whereof are perforated to freely discharge water, and a plug adapted to be extended into the throat of a water closet bowl to dam the same, said plug being connected to said receptacle by a flexible connector.
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2. A receptacle of the character described, comprising a basket-like receptacle

composed of woven wire adapted to be inserted in the bowl of a water closet, a plug adapted to extend into the throat of the said bowl to dam the same, and a flexible connector between said plug and said receptacle. 15

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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