

# PATENT SPECIFICATION



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## PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION.

### Improvements in or relating to Wine Glasses and the like Drinking Vessels.

I, JEROME FRANCIS KENNEDY, of 143, Gloucester Terrace, London, W. 2, a British subject, do hereby declare the nature of this invention to be as follows:—

The glasses in general use for drinking wine or the like have a cup-like body or containing portion carried by a stem up-  
10 rising from a disc-like base, and if too much liquid be placed therein it is liable to be spilled over the edge, to run down the body and stem to the base, and to drip from the edge of the latter when the glass is raised. The same dripping is liable to  
15 happen when condensation of moisture occurs on the glass as a result of very cold liquid, such as a cocktail, being placed therein.

To this end and in accordance with this invention, the base of such a glass is provided with a recurved edge constituting a gutter therearound and formed on a separate member adapted to be secured to said base, for instance, a bowl with a  
20 flat bottom, and a recurved edge and having means such as clips for attaching it to the base of the glass, the mouth of said bowl being of such size as to give passage to said base.

The bowl may be formed of metal, celluloid or like material, and the means for attaching it to the base of the glass may be a single springy finger extending inwardly to beyond the centre of the bowl and bifurcated at its free end, so  
35 that it may embrace the stem at or near its foot.

It may be desirable to stiffen the spring finger by means of ribs, lateral flanges, or otherwise suitably, to define the region at which the spring effect shall take place, i.e. preferably close to its junction with the recurved edge of the bowl, or in some cases the finger may be mounted on the bowl by means of a spring hinge. The free end of such a finger should be shaped conveniently to admit and embrace the stem of the glass, that is to say, it should be bifurcated in such manner as to present a tapered mouth and concentric circular jaws, the ends of which should be upturned, so that the base of the glass may be slidden therebeneath and its stem forced through the tapered mouth springing apart the jaws, which, on contraction will grip said stem and prevent lateral movement of the bowl relatively to the base, whilst the springiness of the finger presses the base against the bottom of the bowl.

The device may be attached or detached very readily and in use any liquid which may run down the stem to the base is trapped in the peripheral gutter formed by the recurved edge and the falling of drips is thus obviated.

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## COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

### Improvements in or relating to Wine Glasses and the like Drinking Vessels.

I, JEROME FRANCIS KENNEDY, of 143, Gloucester Terrace, London, W. 2, a British subject, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what

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- manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—
- 5 The glasses in general use for drinking wine or the like have a cup-like body or containing portion carried by a stem up- rising from a disc-like base, and if too much liquid be placed therein it is liable 10 to be spilled over the edge, to run down the body and stem to the base, and to drip from the edge of the latter when the glass is raised. The same dripping is liable to happen when condensation of moisture 15 occurs on the glass as a result of very cold liquid, such as a cocktail, being placed therein, and to obviate the disadvantages due to drops falling from the edge of the base of a glass when raised, it has been proposed to employ a bowl 20 formed with a recurved edge constituting a gutter therearound, and adapted to be secured to said base by means such as clips, engaging its edge.
- 25 According to the present invention a single spring finger extends inwardly to beyond the centre of the drip-collecting bowl and is bifurcated at its free end, so that it may embrace the stem at or near 30 its foot and grip either the stem or the foot or both.
- The invention is illustrated by the accompanying drawings wherein Figure 1 is a side elevation of the base portion 35 of a wine glass showing, in sectional elevation, one form of the invention applied thereto; Figure 2 is a sectional plan on the line 2—2, Figure 1; and Figure 3 is a sectional plan of a modification.
- 40 As shown in Figures 1 and 2 the base  $a$  of a wine glass is adapted to be received in a flat bottomed drip-collecting bowl  $e$  which may be formed of metal, celluloid or like material with an up- 45 wardly and inwardly recurved edge  $c$  forming a gutter  $d$  and means are provided for attaching it to the base  $a$  of the glass consisting of a single springy finger  $f$  secured to the periphery of the bowl  $e$  50 and extending inwardly to beyond the centre of the bowl, its free end being bifurcated as at  $g, g$ , so that it may embrace the stem  $h$  at or near its foot and press on the base  $a$  of the glass to hold 55 the bowl  $e$  substantially concentrically in position. The inner diameter or mouth of the recurved edge  $c$  should be of sufficiently large diameter to admit the base  $a$ .
- 60 Figure 3 shows a somewhat similar arrangement except that the finger  $f$  is integral with the bowl  $e$  and its bifurcated free end is adapted to grip the stem  $h$  either in addition to or instead of pressing the base  $a$  against the bottom of the bowl  $e$ . The bifurcated free end of the finger  $f$  presents a tapered mouth  $j$  and concentric circular jaws  $k, k$ , the ends of which are upturned, so that the base  $a$  may be slidden therebeneath and the stem  $h$  forced through the tapered mouth  $j$  springing apart the jaws  $k, k$ , which on contraction will grip said stem  $h$  and prevent lateral movement of the bowl  $e$  relatively to the base, whilst the springiness of the finger  $f$  may also press the base  $a$  against the bottom of the bowl.
- It may be desirable to stiffen the springy finger  $f$  by means of ribs, lateral flanges, or otherwise suitably, to define the region at which the spring effect shall take place, i.e. preferably close to its junction with the recurved edge of the bowl, or in some cases the finger may be mounted on the bowl by means of a spring hinge. Similarly in the construction described above with reference to Figure 3 the bifurcation of the finger  $f$  may terminate in a slot  $m$  and aperture  $n$  to impart the necessary springiness to the jaws  $k, k$ .
- The device may be attached or detached very readily, and in use, any liquid which may run down the stem  $h$  to the base  $a$  is trapped in the peripheral gutter  $d$  formed by the recurved edge  $c$  and the falling of drips is thus obviated.
- Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—
1. For a wine glass or like drinking vessel an improved drip-collecting bowl wherein a single spring finger extends inwardly to beyond the centre of the bowl and is bifurcated at its free end, so that it may embrace the stem at or near its foot and grip either the stem or the foot or both.
  2. For a wine glass or like drinking vessel, a drip-collecting bowl or the like as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the finger is spring-hinged thereto.
  3. For a wine glass or like drinking vessel, a detachable device formed to obviate the falling of drips of liquid, substantially as hereinbefore set forth with reference to the accompanying drawings.
- Dated the 23rd day of September, 1926.
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[This Drawing is a reproduction of the Original on a reduced scale.]

Fig. 1

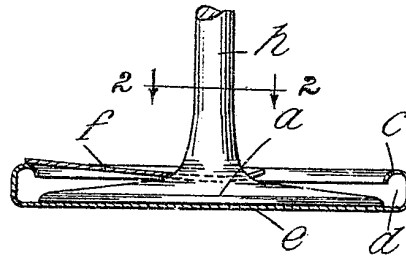


Fig. 3.

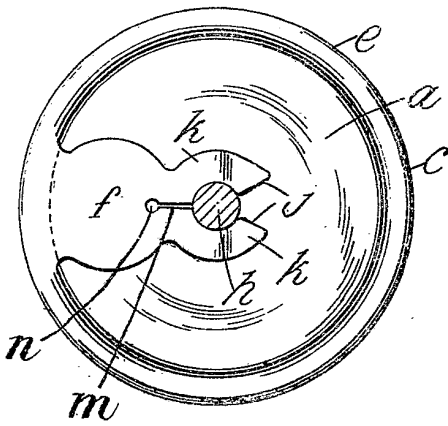


Fig. 2.

