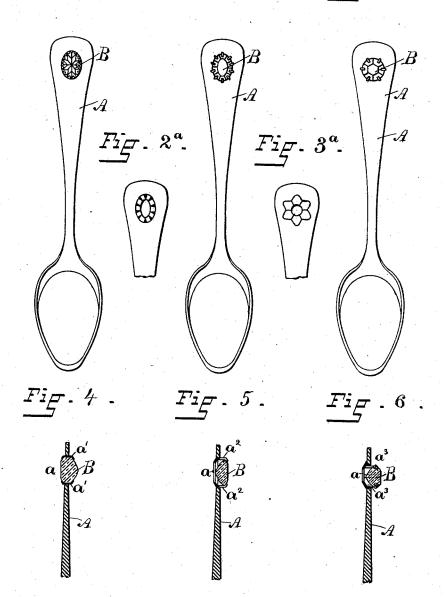
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## JEWELED SPOON.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS J. PAIRPOINT, of New Bedford, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new 5 and useful Improvement in Jeweled Spoons, &c., of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to settings for jewels upon the handles of spoons, forks, &c.; and my invention consists in the novel arrangeno ment of the settings, whereby both the front and back of the jewel are exposed, so that

the jewel may be readily cleaned.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1, 2, and 3 are front views of spoons provided 15 with various forms of settings constructed in accordance with my invention. Figs. 2ª and 3° are rear elevations respectively of the structures shown in Figs. 2 and 3. Figs. 4, 5, and 6 are side views in section of the upper parts of 20 the handles of the same.

In the said drawings, A A A designate the handles of the spoons, or it may be of forks or other similar articles, the said handles being of any desired form, and embellished with 25 any desired ornamentation. At its upper end each handle is formed with a hole or aper-ture of round, oval, square, or any other form to correspond with the shape of the setting.

a a a designate the settings, which, though 30 different in certain details, are all open at back and front, as shown, so that the gems B can be readily reached on both sides and

thoroughly cleaned.

In Figs. 1 and 4 I have shown a form of setting consisting of an oval rim, a', the front and back edges of which are scalloped or serrated, and such scallops or serrations are bent over the front and back faces of the gem B. In this form the rim is forced into the aperture 40 of the handle and held therein by solder or in other suitable manner, and the stone projects beyond the faces of the handle on both sides. In this form, while the two faces of the gem may be readily cleaned, the water 45 will not settle inside of the mounting.

In Figs. 2, 2<sup>a</sup>, and 5 I have shown a form of setting which consists of a rim scalloped upon its back, and carrying upon its front a series of

prongs,  $a^2$ , which hold the gem B. In this form the stone or gem does not project beyond 50 the back of the handle at all, but its rear face is readily reached through the central aper-ture in the rim. This rim is forced into the aperture of the handle, and is held therein as described above with reference to Figs. 1 55 and 4.

In Figs. 3, 3<sup>a</sup>, and 6 I have shown a form of setting in which the rim is star-shaped and does not rest within the aperture of the handle, but is soldered upon the back of the han- 60 dle over the aperture. Upon its front side the rim carries a series of prongs, which hold the gem B. Instead of attaching the rim to the handle by solder it, may be held in position simply by forcing the prongs  $a^2$  through 65 the aperture, so that they will press against the sides of the aperture, and thus hold the rim against the back of the spoon, the outer ends of the prongs being then clinched upon the jewel B, so as to hold it in the usual man-7c ner. In this form the gem can be readily reached through the aperture in the rim.

Having thus described my invention, I

1. As a new article of manufacture, a spoon 75 the handle of which is provided with a gem set in such manner as to leave the gem exposed at both sides, for the purposes described.

2. A spoon the handle of which is provided at its upper end with an opening or aperture, 30 a rim secured to the handle coincidently with the aperture, and a jewel held by the said rim,

substantially as described.

3. A spoon provided with an opening or aperture in its handle, a rim having an open 85 back secured to the handle coincidently with the aperture, and provided with prongs, and a gem held by said prongs, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my 90 hand.

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