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Fig. 1.

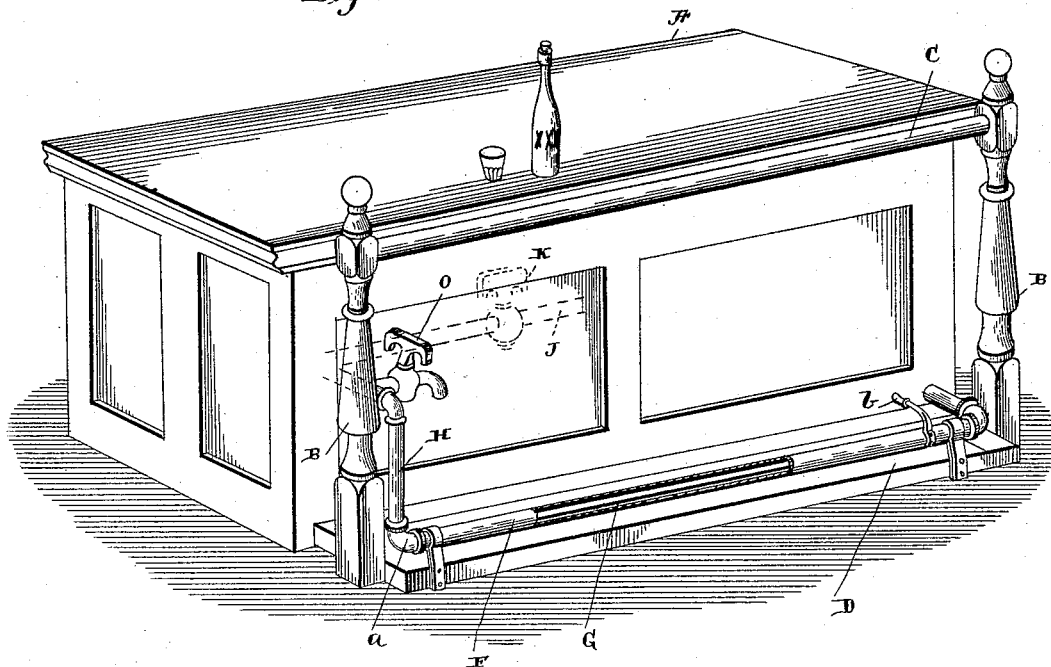
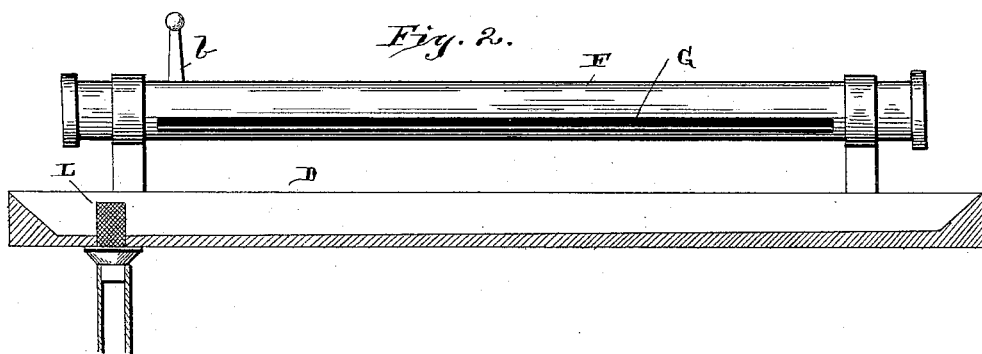


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN MCNANEY, of Elmira, in the county of Chemung and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Attachments for Bar-Room Counters; 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in attachments for bar room counters; and it consists in the construction and arrangement of parts which will be fully described hereinafter and particularly referred to in the claims.

The object of my invention is to provide an attachment for counters of bar rooms, which comprises a trough or gutter that is placed upon the floor of the room immediately at the lower front edge of the counter to receive tobacco, spit, beer and other slop which occurs in a bar room, and to provide a hollow foot piece which is capable of a partial rotation and provided with a slot through which water can flow into the said trough for cleaning it out, and be turned with the slot down to dislodge all slop accumulated in the said pipe, and to connect this hollow foot piece or rail with a water main or with a tank, whereby the trough and the pipe can be flushed or cleaned by a flow of water under the control of the bar tender.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of a bar room counter with my invention attached thereto. Fig. 2 is a detached view of the rotatable foot piece. A indicates a bar room counter, and B a railing which is usually supported in front of the counter upon the standards C.

My invention consists of a trough or gutter D which is placed upon the floor at the lower edge of the counter, and which may be made of metal, brick, stone or marble as may be preferred. Placed in front of the counter just above the front edge of the trough D, is a hollow foot rail F, which extends the entire length of the trough, and preferably around at its end as shown, to the counter. This hollow foot rail is provided with a longitudinal

slot G, at its inner side, so that it holds about a half inch of water therein, when the pipe is in its normal position. This pipe or foot rail F, is connected at its ends by means of the couplings *a*, which allow the said foot rail to be turned by means of a handle or wheel *b*, when it is desired to turn the pipe to bring the slot directly under it, and thus empty any accumulation of beer, foam, and spit that may have accumulated therein, as will be readily understood. The foot rail is placed so that it is just above and inside of the front edge of the trough, which throws all of the water passing through the slot in the hollow foot rail into the trough. Connected by means of one of said couplings at one end of the foot rail is a short vertical pipe H and connected with this vertical pipe H is a horizontal pipe I that extends through the counter and connects with a main pipe J which is connected with a water main, or with a tank placed behind the counter, or in any other part of the building. Placed at one end of the trough D is an outlet L which is provided with a strainer, and this outlet is connected with the sewer or with any other desired means of escape for the water and slop from the trough. The trough will preferably decline slightly toward the outlet L, so that all of the water therein will flow to the outlet and escape as fast as it is fed thereto through the hollow foot rail. Extending inward over the trough from the horizontal portion I is a spigot or faucet O which is designed for use in washing out spittoons. When this is being used I place a fender of any desired construction against the counter to prevent the water from spattering against the counter.

Placed in the inlet pipe J shown in dotted lines, is a faucet or cock K by means of which the bar tender can regulate the flow of water to the gutter, or cut it off entirely. The strainer L prevents the outlet from getting stopped up with cigar stumps or other rubbish, while at the same time it allows a ready flow of the fluid out of the outlet L.

This invention will be found of great utility in bar rooms to prevent the slop and dirt usually present in a bar room, as this trough is in a position to catch it all, and will be a great saving by preventing the floor from rotting, and also to enable a bar room to be kept

comparatively clean, where it would otherwise be impossible to do so when it is crowded. The foam which is usually blown from the beer instead of being blown or emptied upon the floor, will be caught by the trough, and owing to the water fed thereto will be carried off. It will also serve as a spittoon for those who are near it, and will naturally catch all of the spittle which would otherwise be caught by the floor.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

1. A bar room attachment comprising a trough, a foot rail above and over it having a slot at its inner side, the said foot rail hav-

ing a rotating movement for the purpose described, and a source of water supply connected therewith, substantially as specified.

2. A bar room attachment comprising a trough, a rotatable slotted foot rail above and over the trough, a handle connected to the pipe for rotating it for the purpose described, a source of supply connected therewith, and a cock for regulating the flow, substantially as described.

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

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