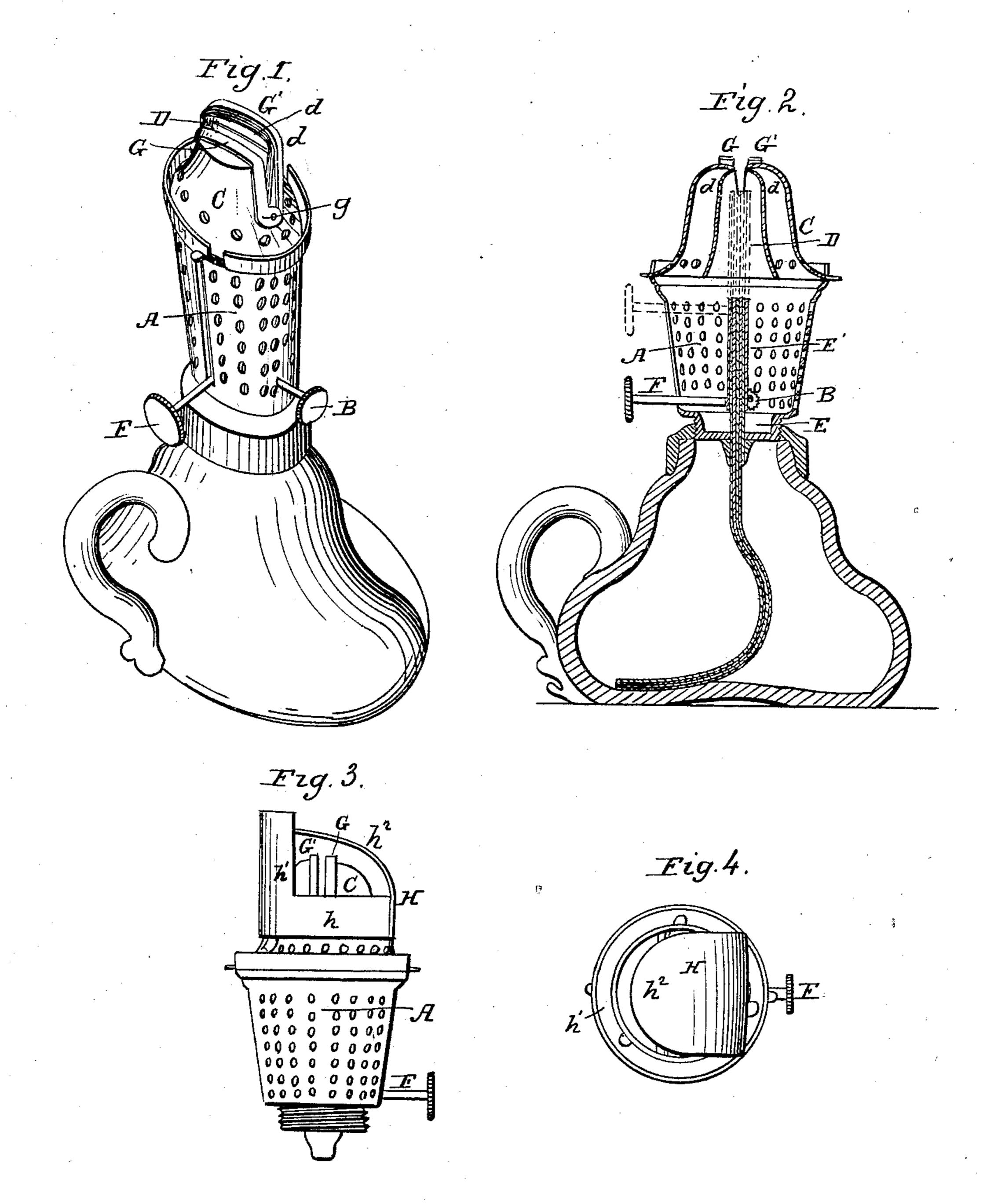
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph C. Wright, of 5 new and useful Improvements in Lamps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specifica-10 tion, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a lamp illustrating a part of my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse section of the same. Fig. 3, is an elevation of the lamp complete.

15 Fig. 4, is a top view of the same.

Similar letters of reference in the several

figures indicate corresponding parts.

The subject of my invention is a lamp adapted for burning hydrocarbon oils with-20 out the use of a chimney, and the improvements consist, 1st, in an improved combination and arrangement of wick tubes and concentric conical deflectors; 2nd, in a new form of movable cap or deflector.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to de-

scribe its construction and operation.

The perforated shell A, elevator B, and conical deflector C, may be of common con-30 struction, excepting that the wick slot in the latter extends some distance down the sides being longer than those in most common use.

D, is a second deflector fixed concentrically within the first by riveting at the base; and 35 extending upward nearly to the top. The inner deflector is formed in its transverse section with straight converging sides and in its longitudinal section with sides nearly parallel and is imperforate with the excep-40 tion of a horizontal slot d, at each side near its top.

The wick tube is constructed in two parts E, E', the former being fixed to the shell. in customary manner and the latter adapted 45 to slide thereon. F, is a handle attached to the sliding tube E', for the purpose of set-

ting it at any height.

G, G', are a pair of jaws hinged at g, to the deflector C, and extending up over the 50 top of the same as is clearly represented in the drawings. The said jaws are for the purpose of graduating the capacity of the wick aperture in the deflector as will be hereinafter explained.

H, represents a movable cap or deflector 55 of peculiar form adapted to fit over and Minersville, in the county of Schuylkill and | around the deflector C, and jaws G. G'. Its State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain | construction is shown in Figs. 3 and 4. It is formed with a supporting collar h, to which are secured a vertical segmental 60 flange h', and a deflecting flange h^2 , the latter being formed of a flat plate of metal with a round end, curving above the wick aperture and extending so far over the same as to leave a contracted segmental space be- 65 tween the convex end of the horizontal flange h^2 and the concave side of the vertical

flange h'.

For first lighting the lamp the wick and the jaws G G', are set as shown by red lines 70 in Fig. 2. When the parts become heated the jaws are set in as shown by black lines in order to produce more perfect combustion and the wick, and wick tube, may if desired be lowered as also represented in black. 75 In this position the operation is that of a generating lamp, the vapor rising from the wick and burning within and above the deflectors and little or no consumption of wick taking place. By retaining the wick and 80 wick tube in the position represented by red lines the flame is kept in contact with the wick, rendering it less sensitive to sudden drafts of air. Each condition is preferable under certain circumstances and by the use 85 of my sliding wick tube facilities for both are afforded in the same lamp. The sliding tube is likewise of great utility for graduating the size of the flame.

It is well known that it is extremely diffi- 90 cult to light a coal oil lamp through an aperture sufficiently contracted to produce perfect combustion. By the use of the hinged or sliding jaws G, G', ample space is afforded for the first lighting of the lamp 95 and the aperture may afterward be contracted as needful. By the use of the cap H, a flame is produced of semi-circular form and of great intensity and brilliance. The cap is likewise of great service in protecting 100 the flame from the effect of sudden downward draft such as occurs in carrying the

lamp up stairs.

My improved lamp is particularly designed for use without a chimney, but it is 105 evident that some parts of the invention are equally applicable to lamps in which a chimney is employed.

I do not desire to confine myself to the specific device described, for raising and lowering the tube E'. A rack and pinion may if preferred be employed for this purpose.

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I am aware that sliding wick tubes have been previously used, but with a somewhat different object from mine. To accomplish the purposes of this part of my invention,

tial, the inner being imperforate at its lower part for the purpose of conducting heat and preventing side draft. I do not therefore desire to be understood as claiming the use

of the sliding wick tube except when combined with two concentric conical deflectors, constructed and arranged as hereinbefore made known. I am also aware that a lamp has before been provided with a movable

cap projecting over the wick and operating to deflect the flame to one side and protect it from downward or horizontal currents. I do not therefore claim novelty in the movable cap, excepting when constructed as described and employed in connection with a

flat wick to produce a flame of semicircular form; but

What I do claim as new and of my invention herein, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. The combination of the concentric conical deflectors C, and D, and sliding wick tube E', all constructed arranged and operating in the manner and for the purposes herein shown and explained.

2. The movable cap H, constructed with a supporting collar h, vertical segmental flange h', and oblique convex ended deflectors h^2 , and used in combination with the slotted conical deflector C, in the manner 40 and for the purposes herein shown and explained.

The above specification of my improvements in lamps, signed this twentieth day of

March 1861.

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