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Fig. 2.

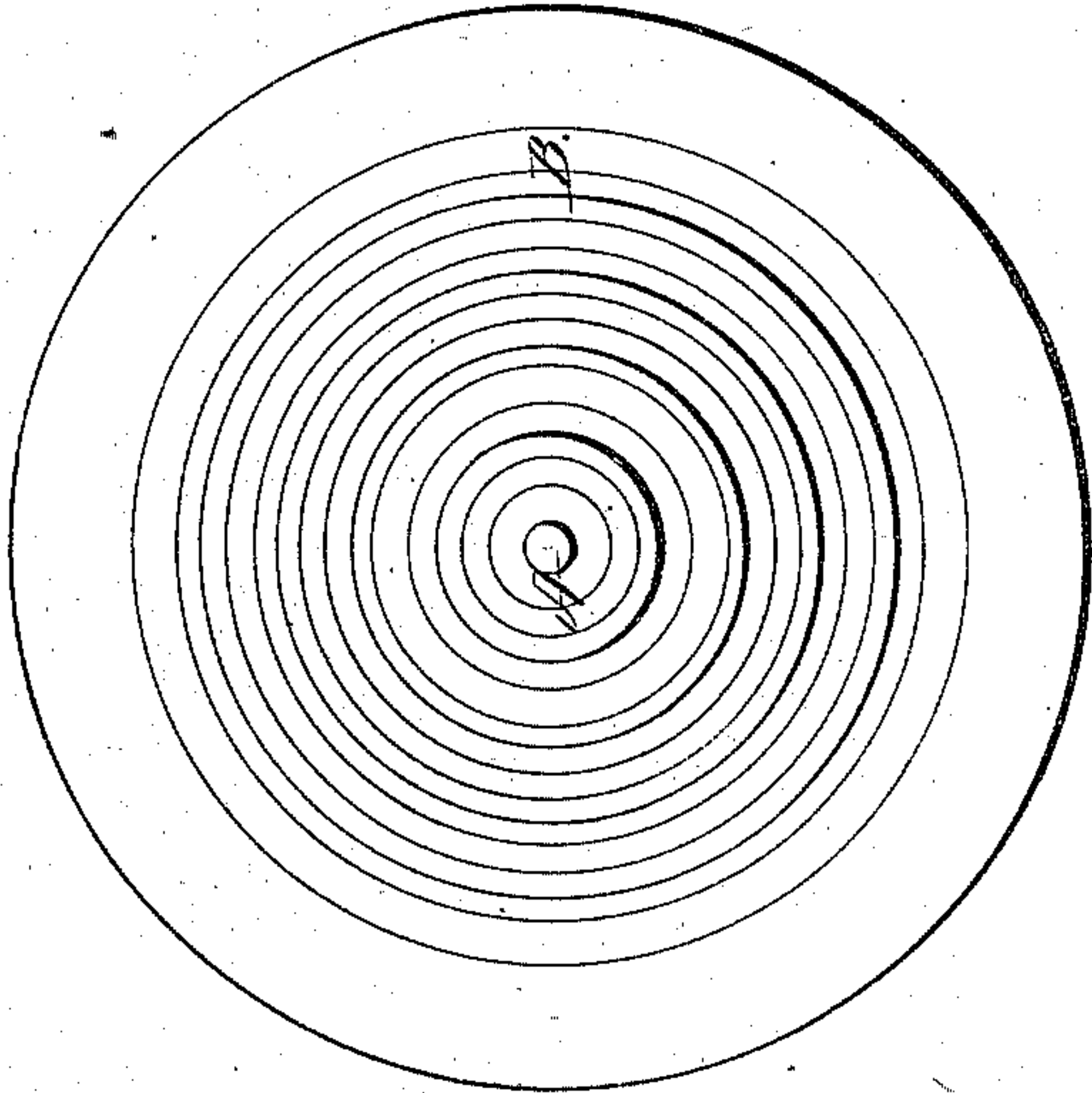
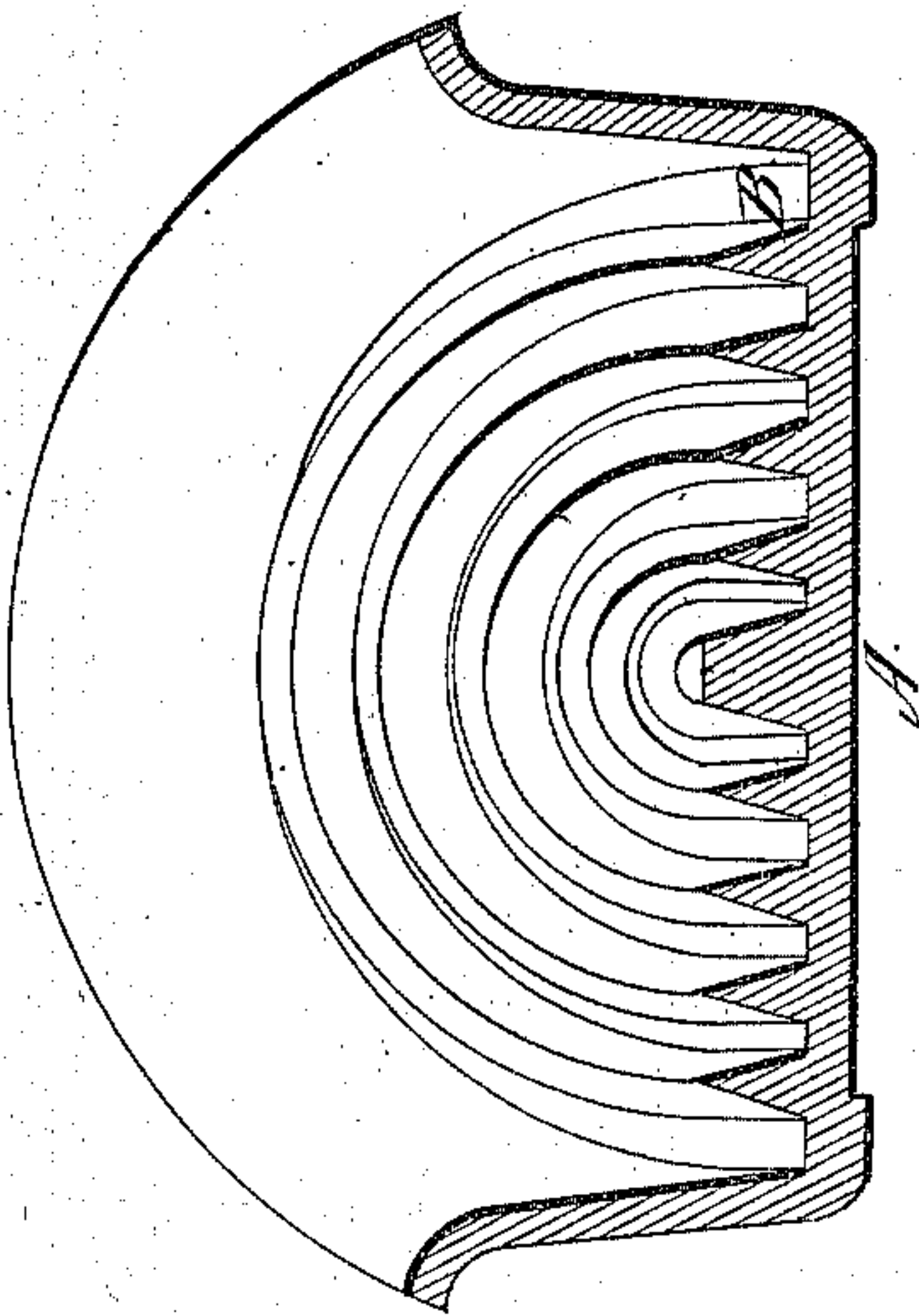


Fig. 1



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IMPROVED SOAP-CUP FOR WASH-STANDS, &c.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. MEAD, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Soap and other Dishes as an Article of Manufacture and Trade; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which make a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the application and use of a series of recesses and projections in the manufacturing of the bottoms of dishes, so that when soap is laid thereon within the dish it will be elevated out of and protected from any liquid or fluid that may detract therefrom.

To enable others to make my improved dish, I will refer them to the drawings and the following description.

Figure 1 represents a sectional and perspective view of my dish, showing the series of projections, rings, or circles A and recesses B. If the dishes are made of wood, the projected rings or circles are formed by the production of the recesses which are cut or turned into the bottom when the dish is being made; or if the dish or vessel is to be made of

metal or other material and to be molded from a pattern the recesses and projections may be produced at the same time the dish is being cast. Other projections different from rings may be made.

Fig. 2 represents a face view of my dish, showing the series of projections and recesses.

Having fully described my improvement, I wish it to be understood that I do not claim to be the first in the production of projections whereby soap, meat, ice, or anything else is to be elevated out of and kept from being saturated in liquid or fluid when said projections are a secondary fixture—that is to say, put in after the vessel has been made, (and are sometimes made fast.) This is well known to all, especially those using ice-boxes.

Therefore, what I claim as my improvement and as a new article of manufacture and trade, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A dish or vessel having its bottom constructed substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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