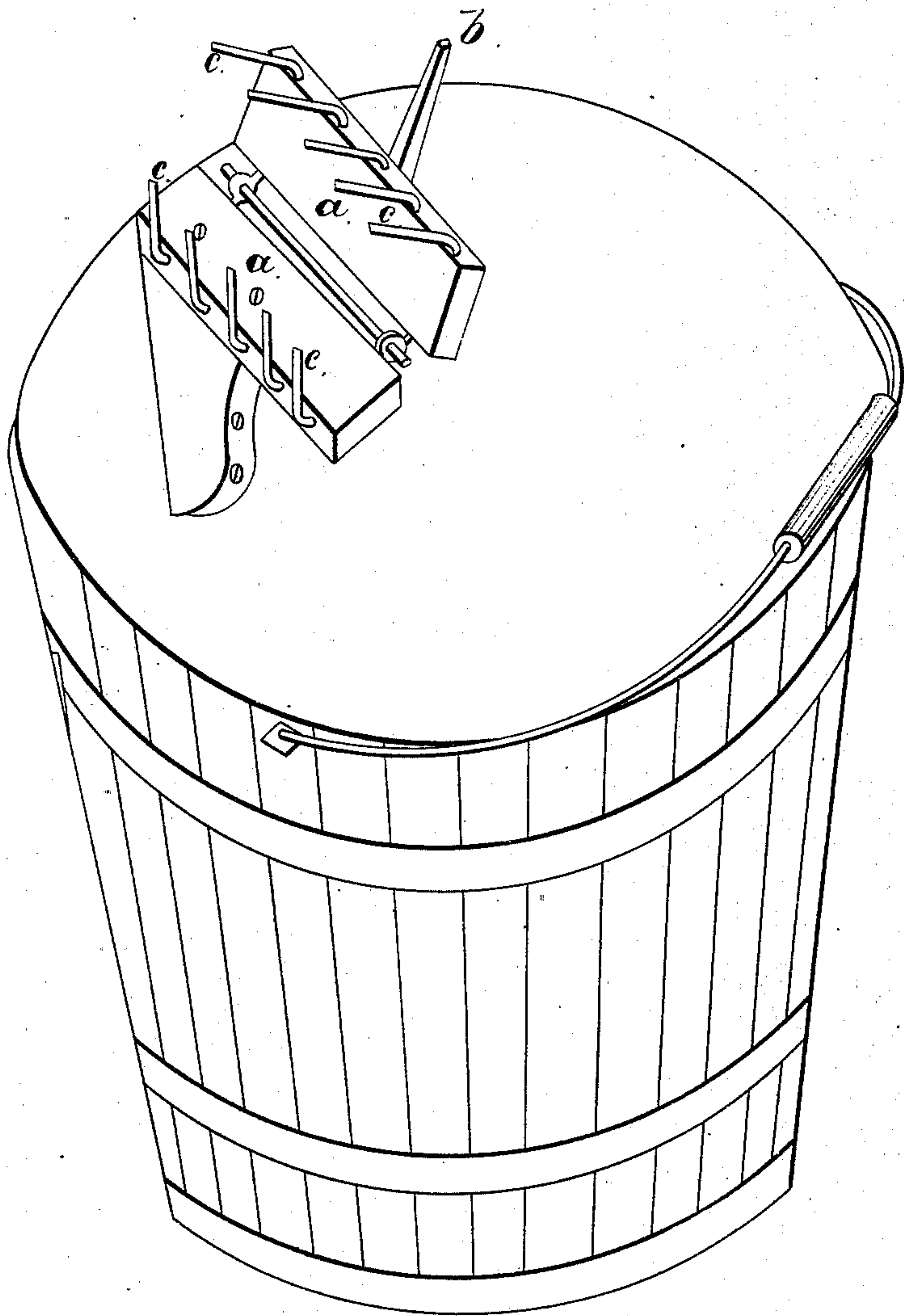


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IMPROVED MOP-WRINGER.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

Be it known that I, BURK VAN ALSTINE, of the town of Channahan, in Will county, and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful improvement on a Machine for Wringing a Mop; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in providing the common pail, or other suitable vessel, with a pair of jaws or squeezers, for the purpose of squeezing the water out of a mop.

a represents the jaws as they appear when open to receive the mop, the same being placed between the jaws *a a*, when, by means of the lever *b*, the same are pressed together like a hinge, the mop receiving more pressure next the hinges than at the outer side, thus pressing the mop as well in a horizontal direction as vertical, the operator meanwhile turning the mop so as to receive pressure on all parts. The prongs or teeth *c c* serve to hold the mop in place while being squeezed. The mop is placed in the jaws first next the handle of the mop.

Claim.

What I claim as new in my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The hinged jaws *a a*, furnished with the prongs *c c* and lever *b*, when fastened to the side of a pail, all as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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