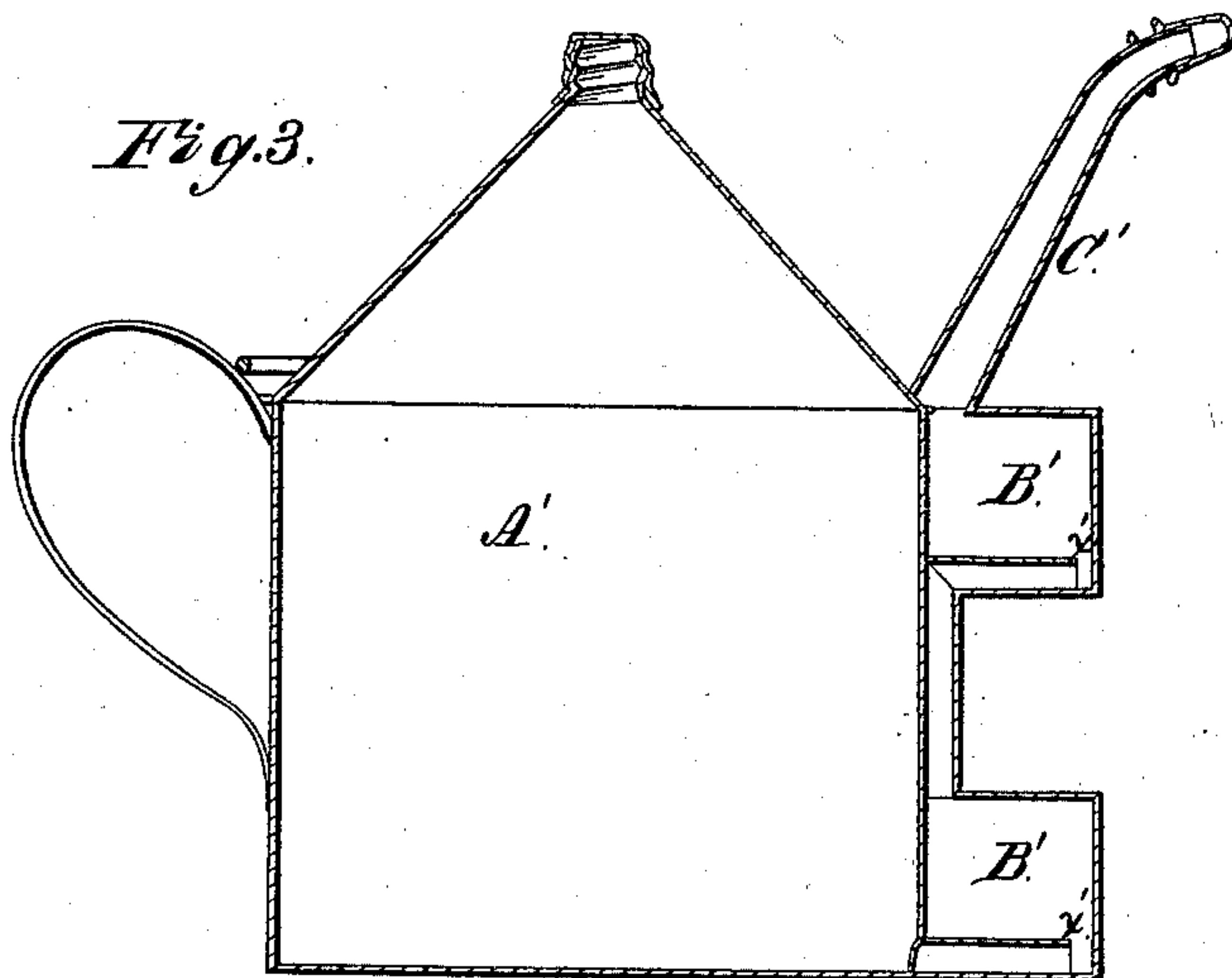
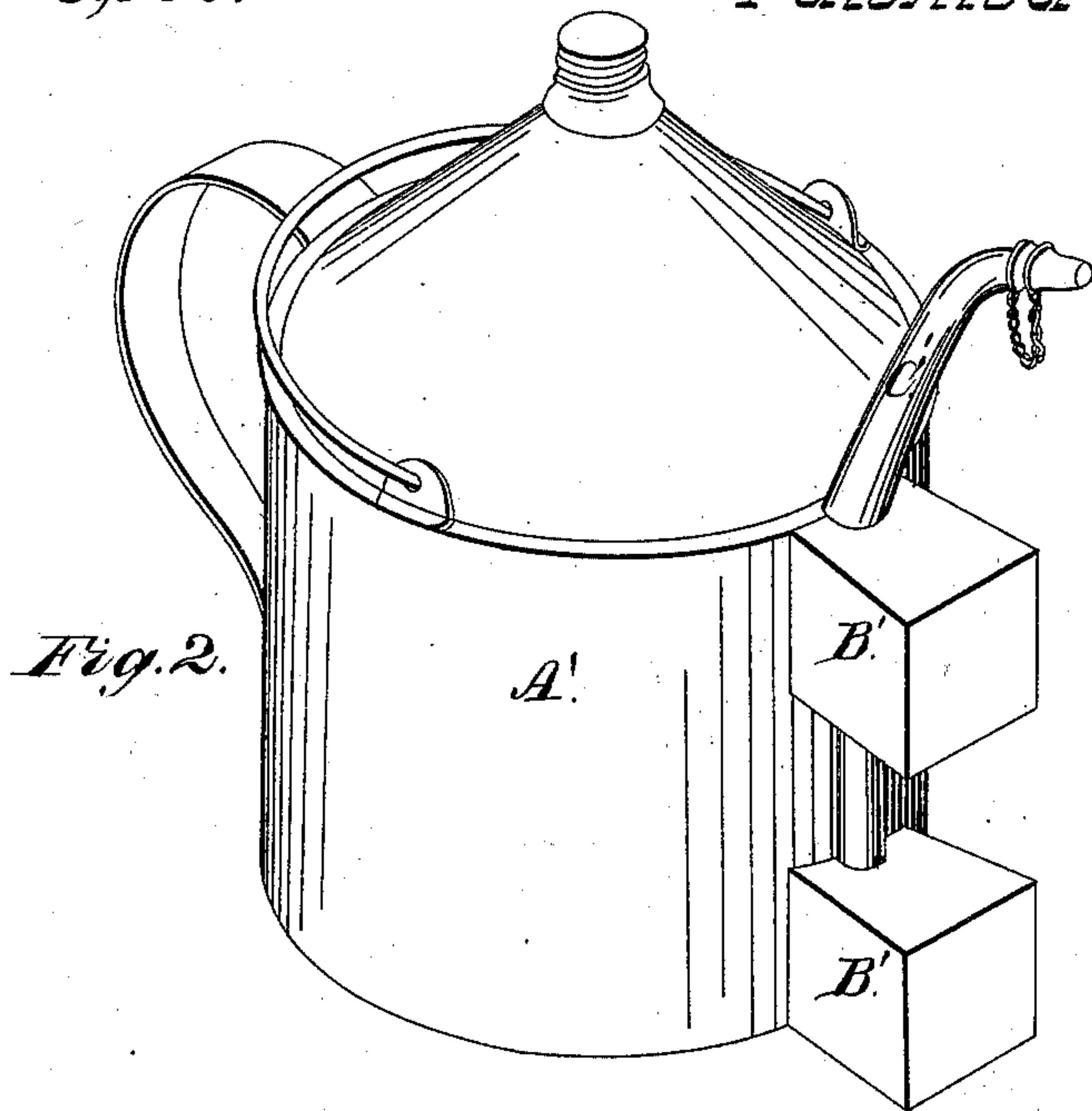


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TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, HIRAM B. WELLMAN, of Indianapolis, in the county of Marion, and in the State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Oil-Cans; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and the letters of reference marked thereon.

In the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, A' represents a can, of any desired dimensions or shape, and B' B' represent tanks or chambers, attached to said can. The tanks or chambers are ordinarily made to hold about one half pint, and of any shape desired, and may be of any required dimensions. C' represents the spout or nozzle of the can, leading directly from the upper chamber B'.

The chambers B' have openings *xx*, which extend across to near the front side of said chambers, as shown. The pipe leading into the upper chamber extends from and connects with the lower chamber, and the pipe leading into the lower chamber connects with the oil-can A'.

Before using, sufficient water should be poured into the can to fill the lower chamber one-half or two-thirds full. When the can is tilted, in the act of pouring out the oil, whatever water passes out of the lower chamber will be caught in the upper one, which prevents its escape at the spout. If, however, some water by chance should escape, it would not affect the result.

It will be seen that in pouring oil from this can it must pass through the water-chamber, and the water in said chamber, acting as a cut-off between the oil in the can and that in the spout, protects the same against explosion.

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

The use of water-chambers, so combined with an oil-can that the oil from said can must pass through the water in its passage to the spout, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 5th day of March, 1868.

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