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Parlor Bath.

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Fig. 1.
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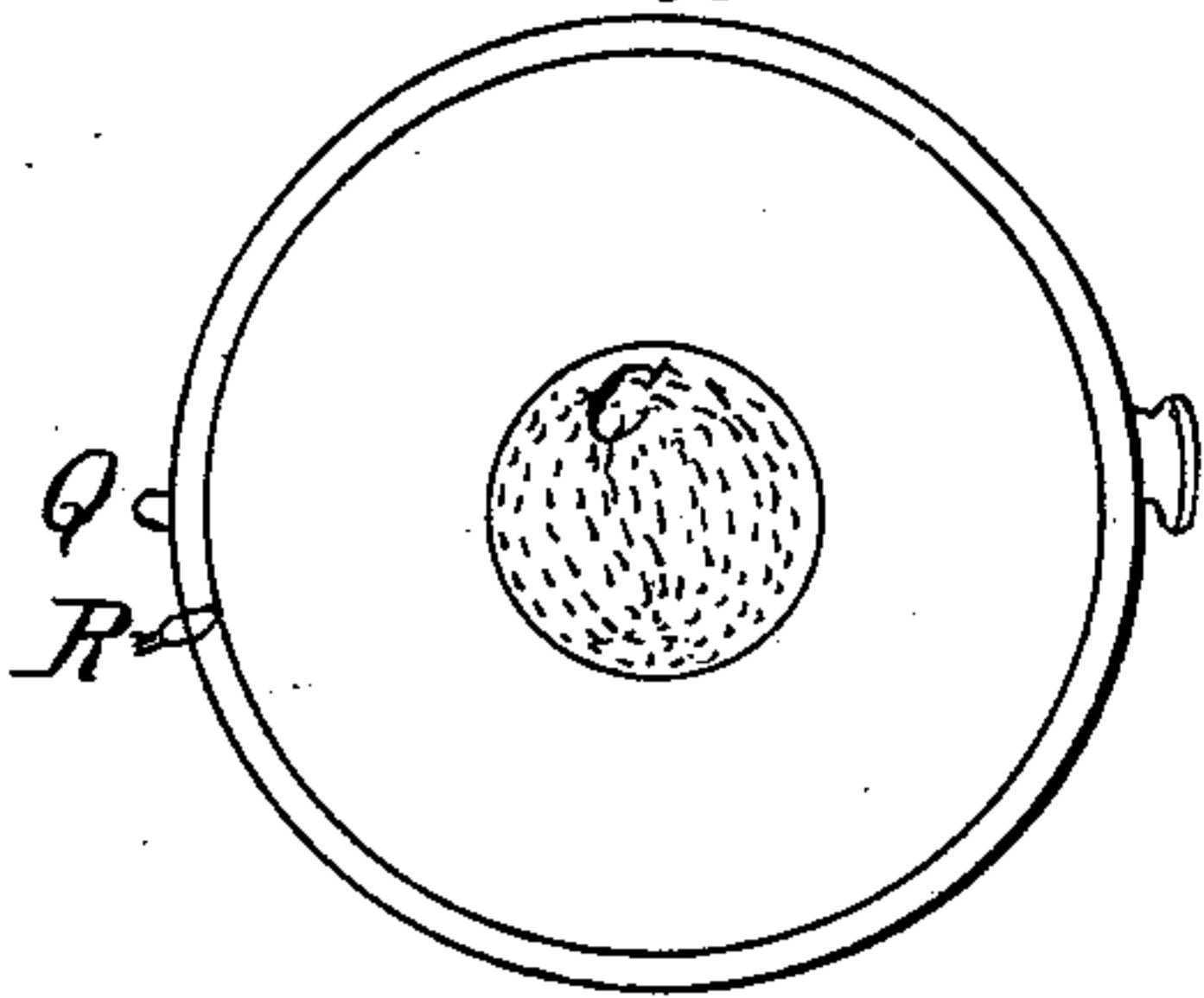


Fig. 2
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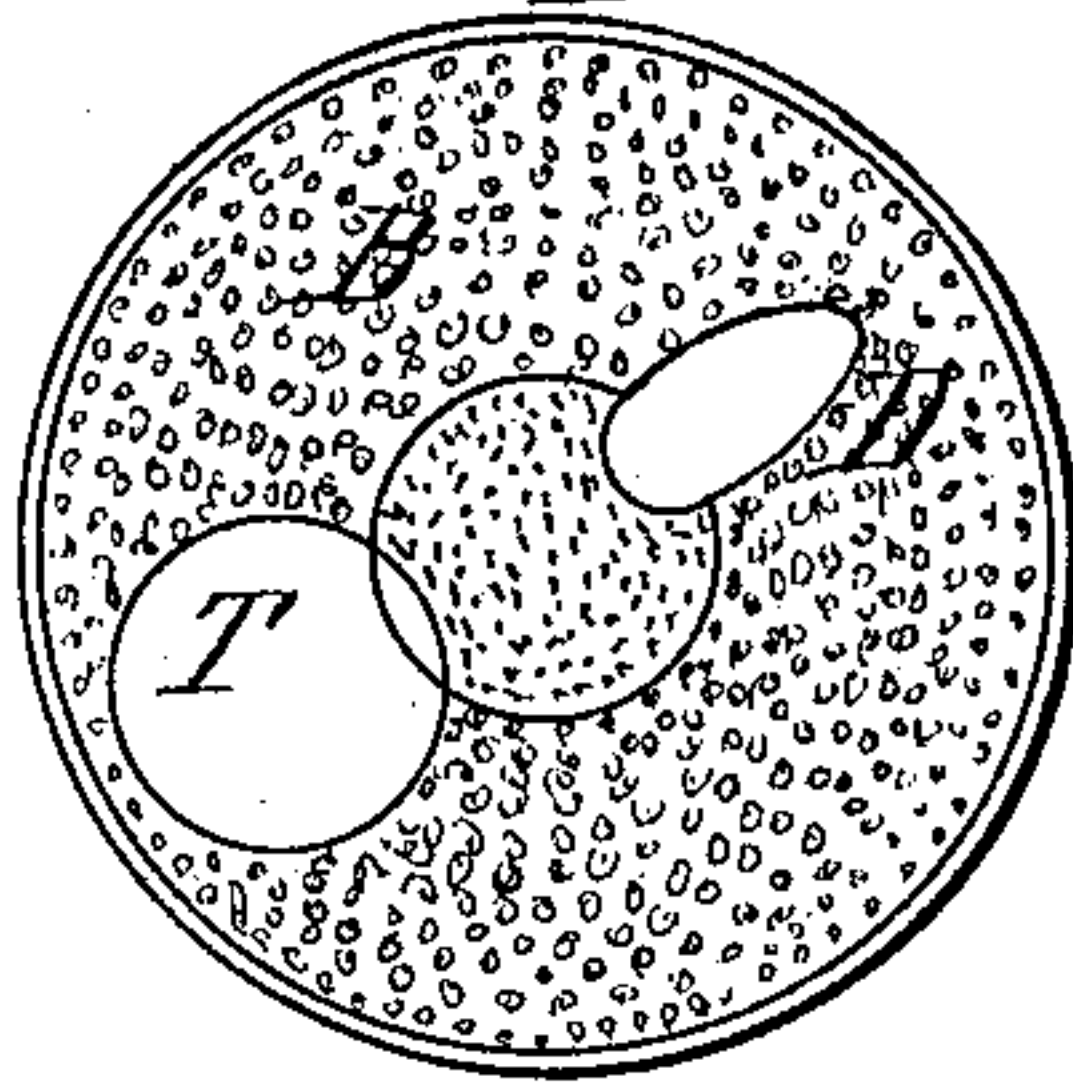


Fig. 4

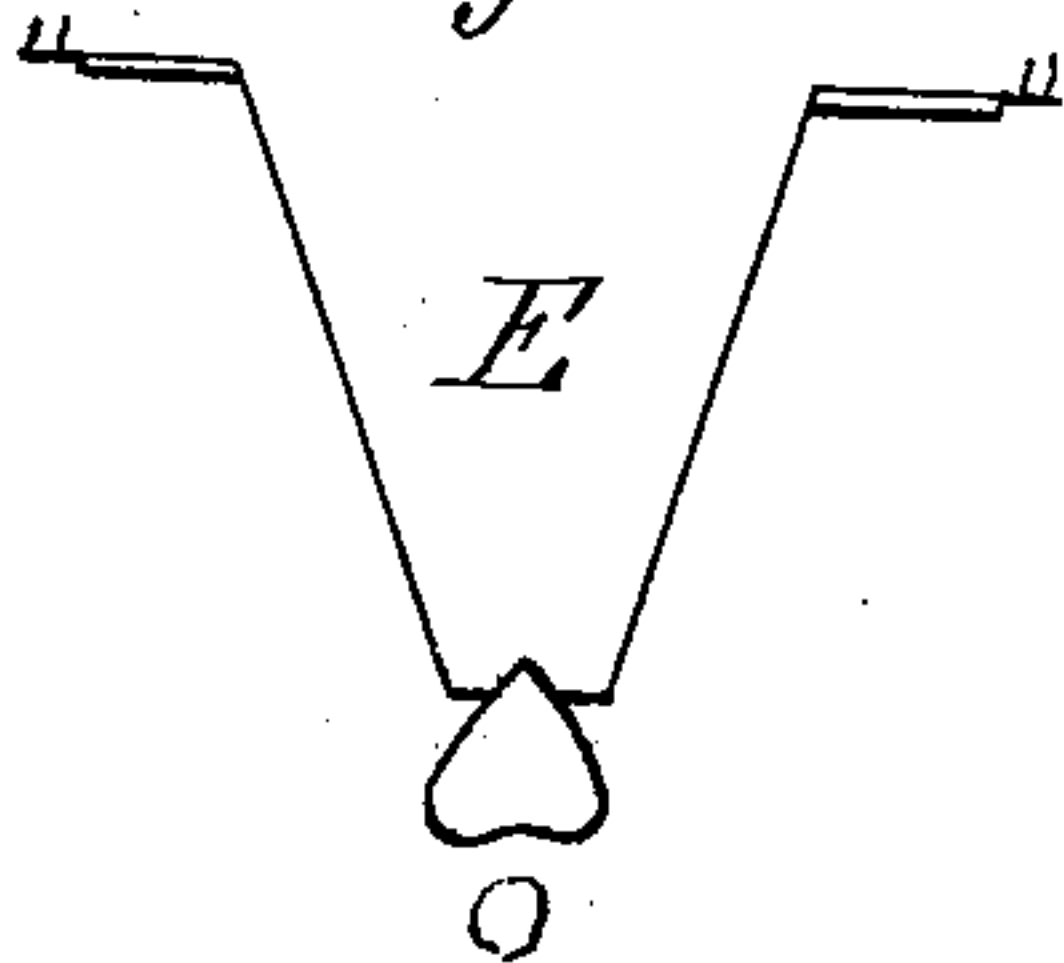


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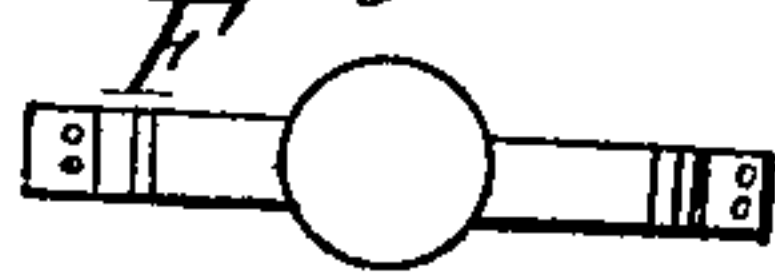
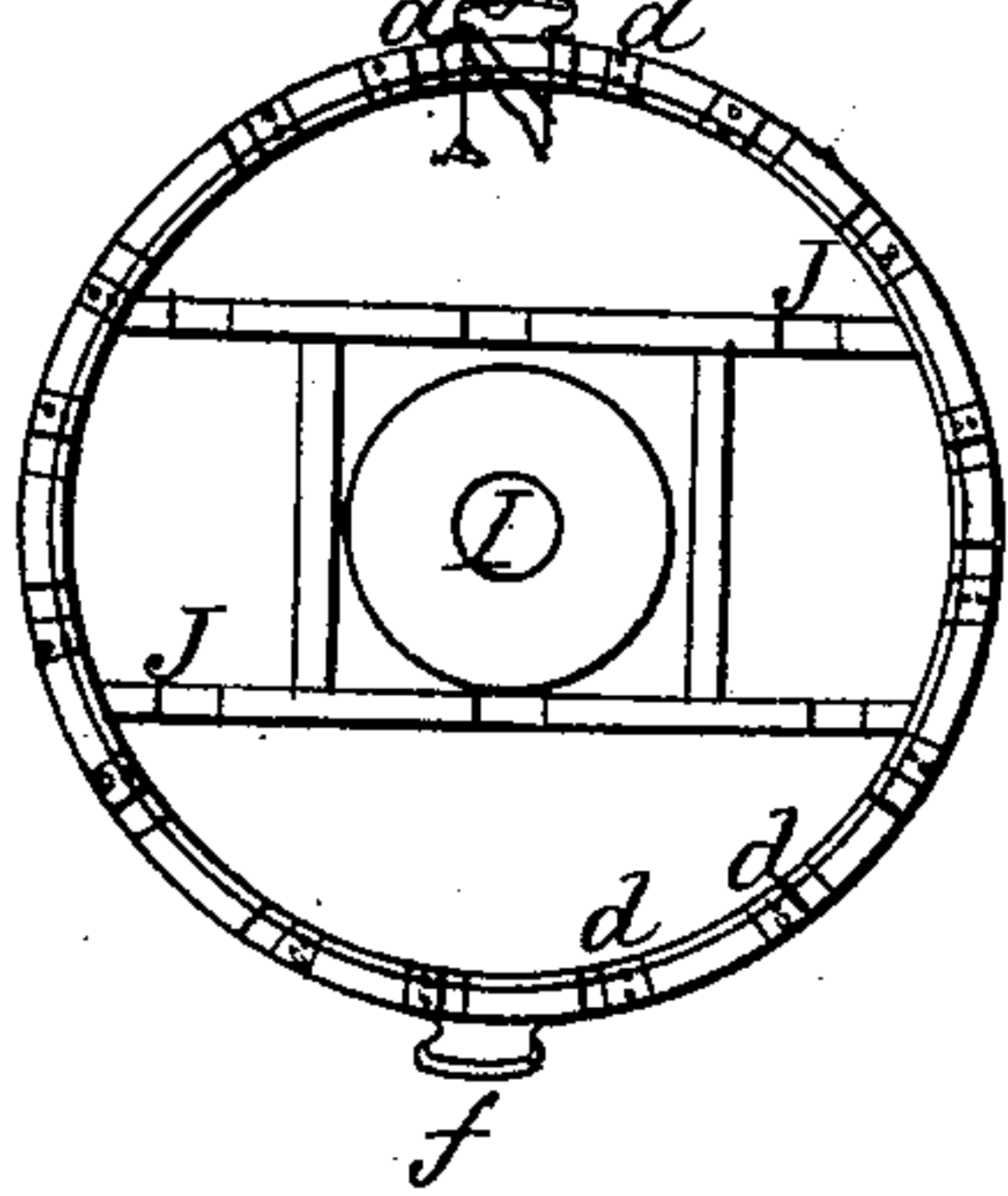
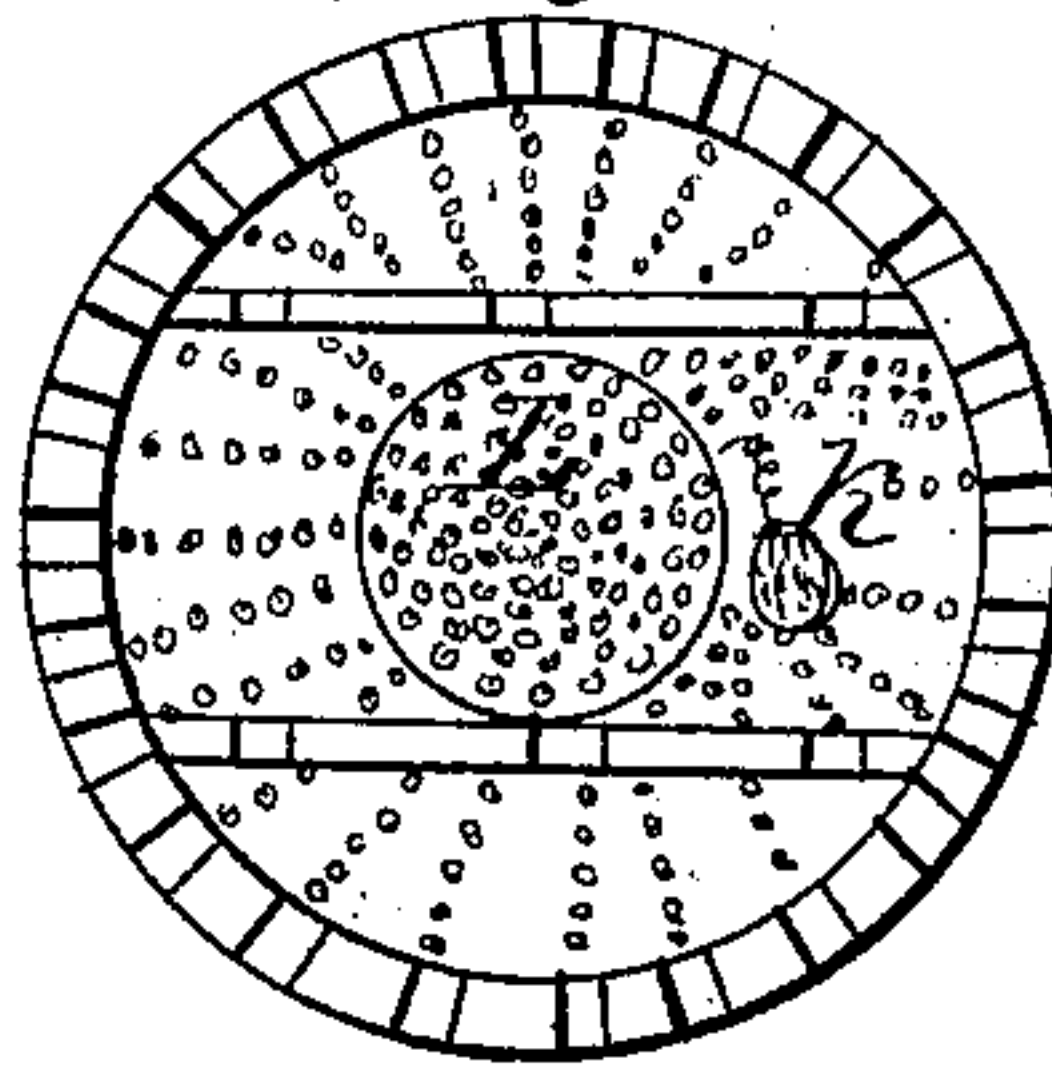


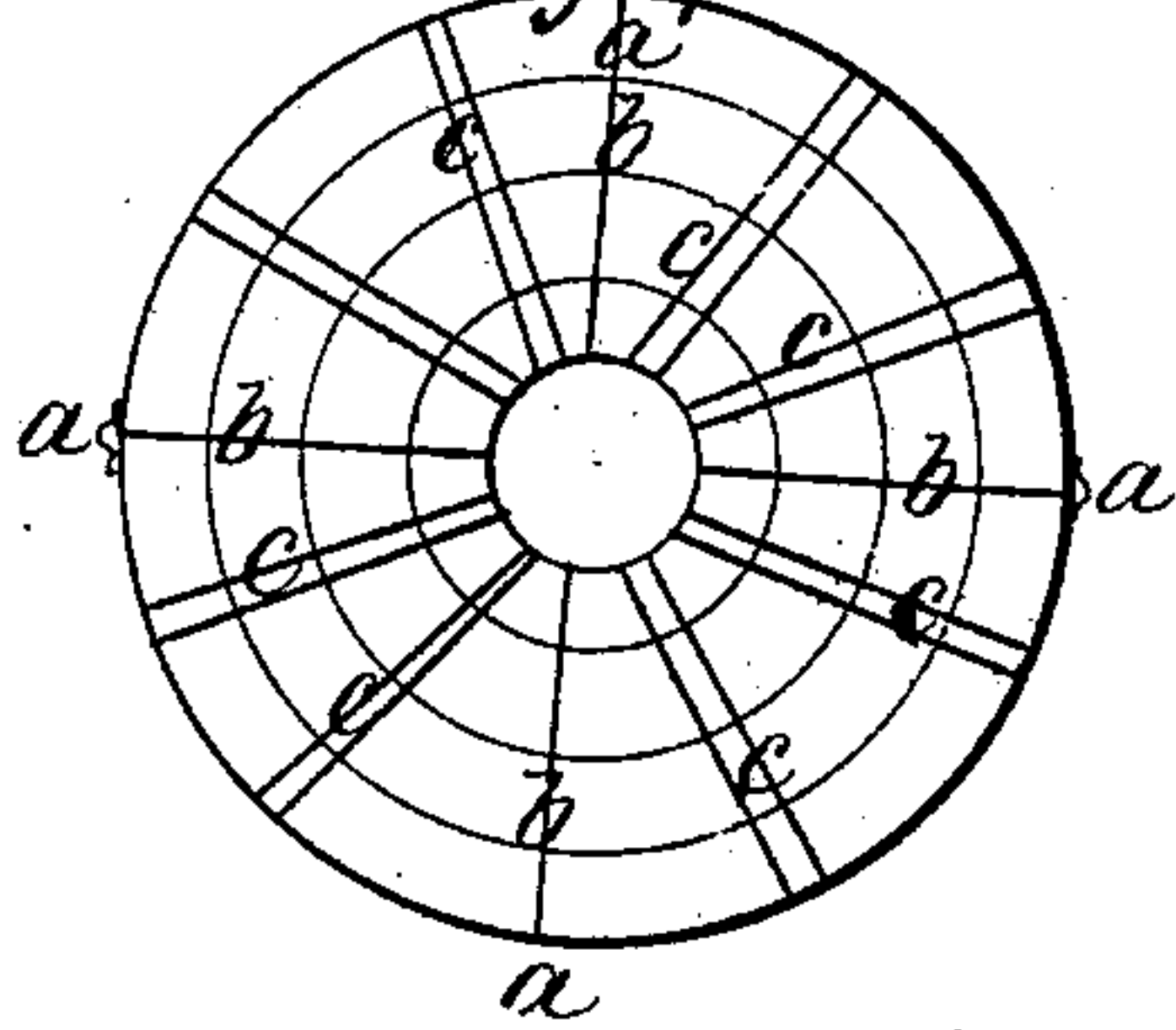
Fig. 3
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Fig. 6



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Fig. 7



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IMPROVED PARLOR-BATH

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

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, J. RUTHERFORD WORSTER, of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Portable Combination Parlor-Bath; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention and improvement consists in the construction of a combination of insulation and electricity in a detachable portable parlor-bath, and electrifying a person in an insulated state, while receiving a steam, vapor, medicated, or any other description of bath, and protecting the lungs from inhaling the sickening exudations from the surface during the process.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

I construct three substantial wooden frames, which, when put together with hinges, J J, form a circle, about four feet in diameter, and fold on each other, for portability, when required. (See N, Figure 3.)

This frame is covered with zinc, or any other light metal, (see A, Figure 1,) and surrounded by a curb two inches high, to hold the waste water of shower or sponge-bath.

In the centre is an aperture, for a boiler, with perforated cover, which may be of any required dimensions, C.

Hinges are attached, *f f*, on both wings, and, when folded, it will hold all the appurtenances belonging to the bath, and is as portable as a common trunk.

Q is a staple, to attach the electrode of a battery or electrical machine, and

R, a spigot or plug, to draw off the waste water.

Under-side view of A, fig. 1. (See N, fig. 3.)

I, chamber in bottom of boiler.

J J, hinges.

d d d d, lips to catch the legs. (See E, Figure 4, and N, fig. 3.)

B, Figure 2, a wooden platform, one or two inches less diameter than the bed-plate, cut out in the centre, and covered with a perforated metallic plate, corresponding to the boiler below, on which are a movable stool, T, and foot-tub, D. Under-side view of the last, L, Figure 6, shows the metallic centre, chain, and clog, which connects with the centre above, and falls on the bed-plate, when the bath is together, and closes the electrical circuit.

E, fig. 4, is one leg of the platform, and

O the mode of applying the insulator.

The legs are made of heavy hoop-iron, with a hole in the bottom, to receive the apex of the insulator, and are sufficiently strong to bear the superincumbent weight.

d d d d, lips to which to attach legs.

F, Figure 5, view of leg and insulator from bottom.

M, Figure 7, vertical view of canopy, made of rattan-hoops, and put together with binding, somewhat like a hoop-skirt.

a a a a, light wooden props, to hold up canopy, extend from bottom to top hoop, in screw-sockets, and pass through rings on the intermediates, there being different lengths of props, that, when adjusted, they reach the upper portion of the neck of the bather; and the cover is secured round the neck closely, to prevent the person inhaling vapors from the body.

The covers are India-rubber cloth or heavy duck.

What I claim as my invention, and wish to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A portable parlor-bath, constructed of parts detachable, as described, with combination of electricity and insulation, in the administration of medicated, steam, vapor, sulphur, spirit, or other kind of bath, as used for the purposes herein described.

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