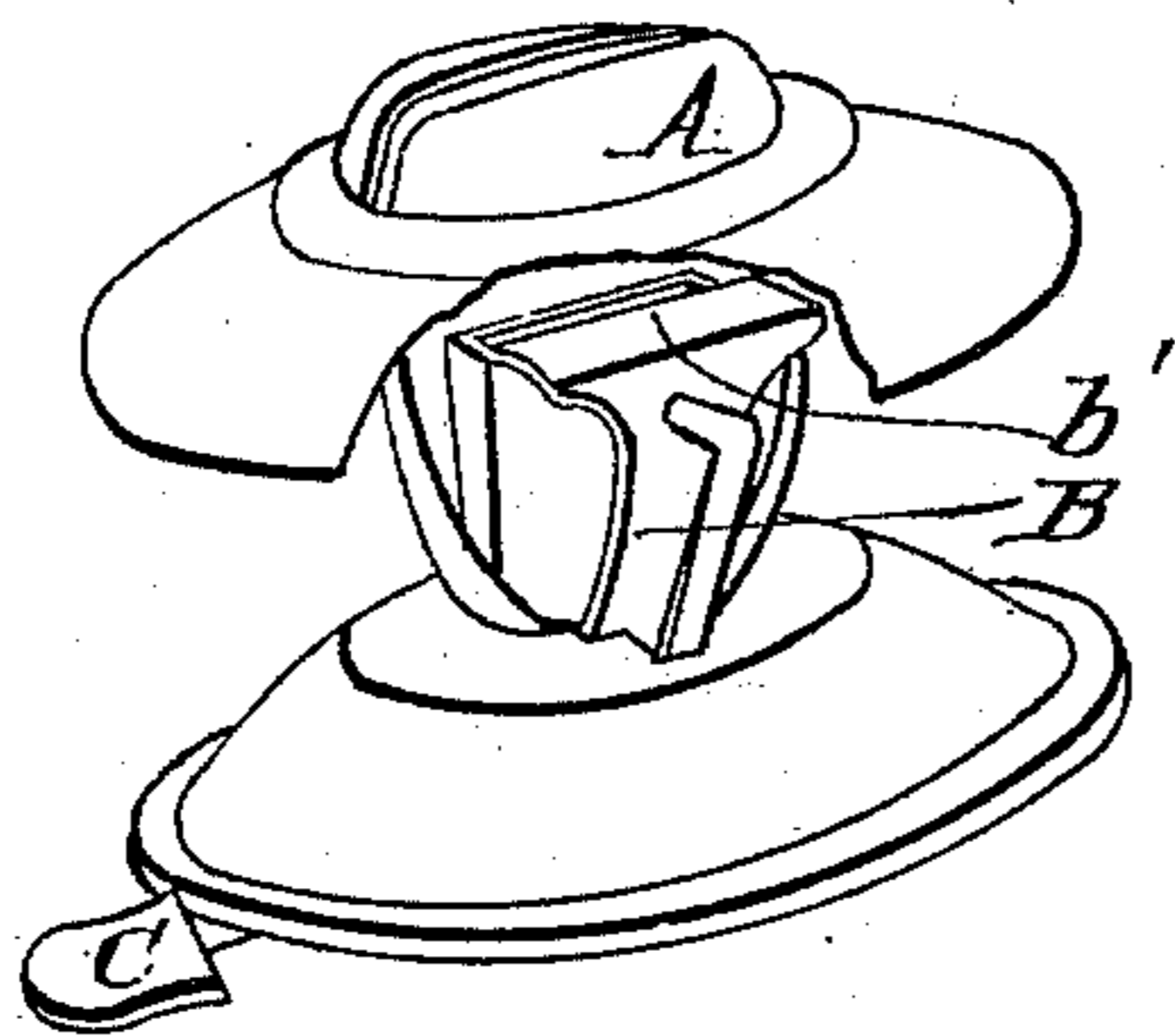


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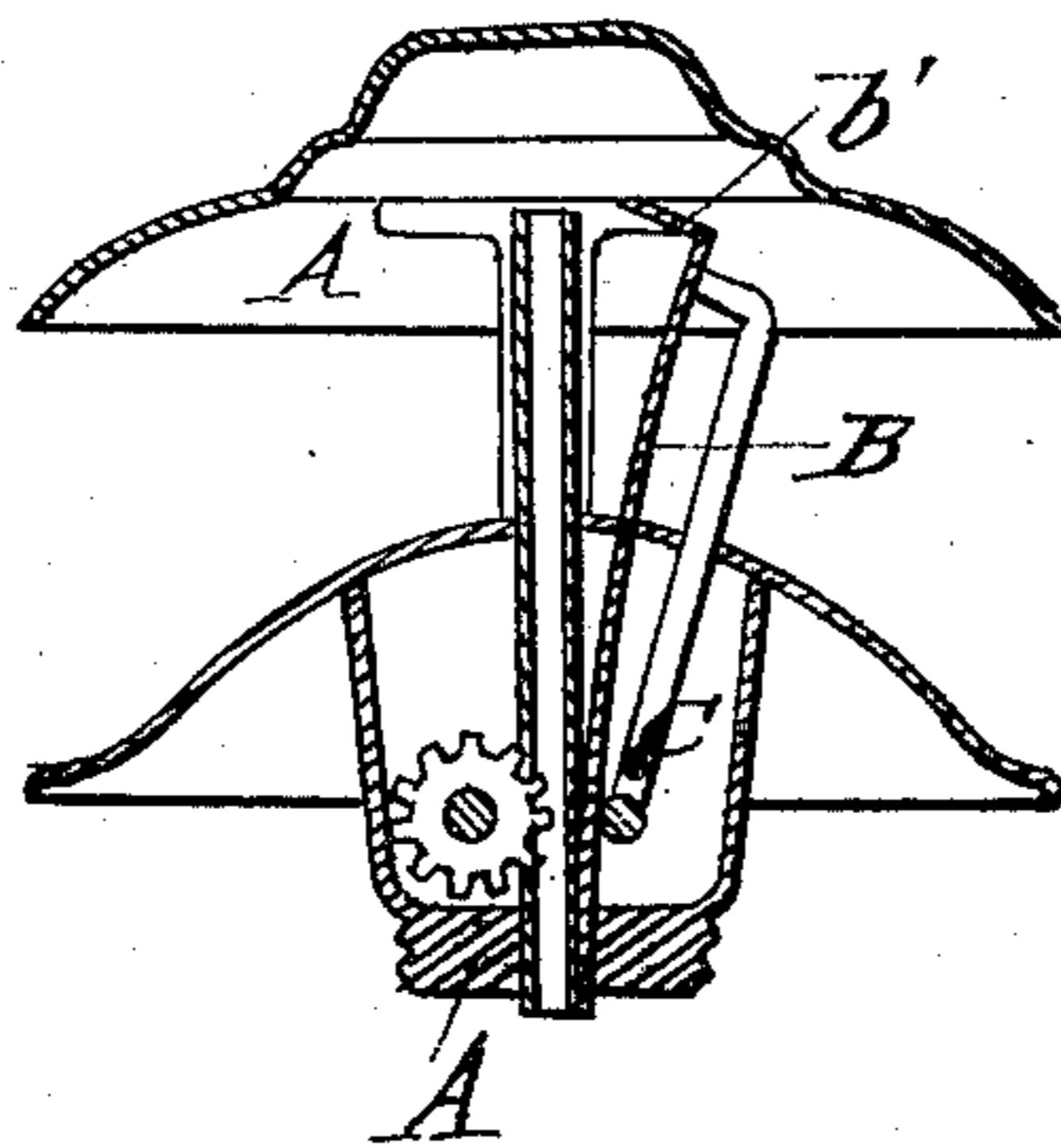
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2*



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## LAMP-TRIMMER AND EXTINGUISHER.

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, CHARLES P. SNOW, of Freeport, in the county of Stephenson, and State of Illinois, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Lamp-Trimmer and Extinguisher; 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, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1, of the drawings, is a representation of my invention in perspective.

Figure 2 is a central vertical section of same.

My invention relates to lamps, and consists, mainly, in the construction and novel arrangement of devices, whereby the wick, when charred, may be readily trimmed, without removing the chimney, and, if necessary, extinguished.

The letter A, of the drawings, designates an ordinary burner.

B, a springing plate; attached at its lower end securely to the outside of the wick-tube, and having its upper end bent at right angles toward the top of the wick-tube, terminating in a cutting-edge sufficiently broad to engage the whole length of the wick. This edge may be parallel to the long side of the wick, or slightly convergent. In either case it will readily remove the charred portion.

C is the operating-lever, the handle of which extends out from under the edge of the lower plate of the burner, so that, being below the chimney, it may be readily reached.

The lever C passing upward, and forming an elbow, is attached to the plate B just below the bend.

By turning the lever C with a quick movement, the cutting-edge of the plate B takes off the charred portion of the wick, and, the pressure of the fingers being removed, springs back immediately without extinguishing the flame.

When it is desired to put the light out, the ledge *b'* of the plate B is kept for a few seconds over the wick.

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

The lamp-trimmer and extinguisher herein described, having springing plate B, with cutting-ledge *b'* and levers C, constructed and arranged to operate substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the above, I have hereunto subscribed my name, in the presence of two witnesses.

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