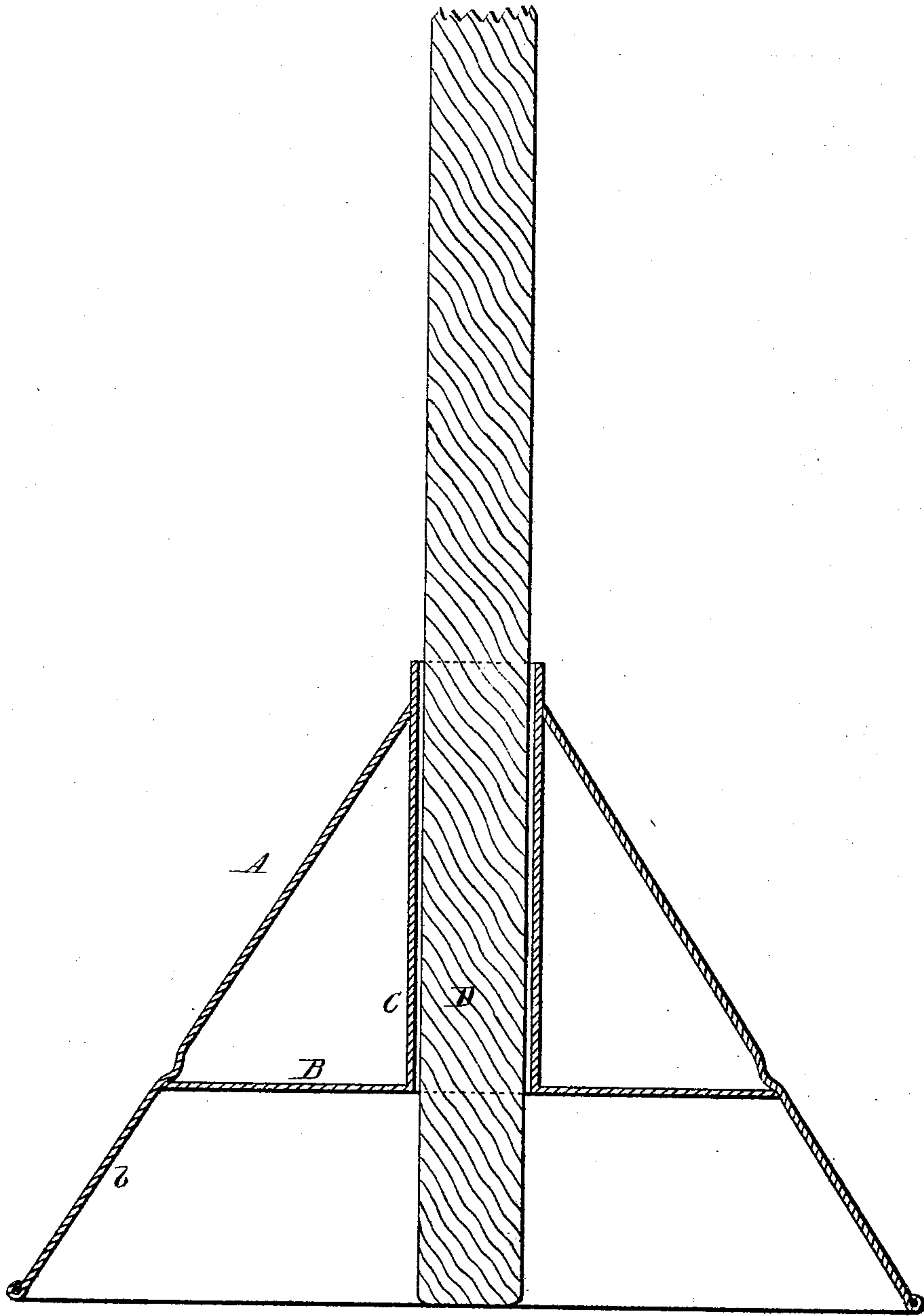


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IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTHES-POUNDERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 128,531, dated July 2, 1872.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AARON W. BUNNELL, of Linesville Station, in the county of Crawford and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Clothes-Pounders; 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 drawing making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

The figure of the drawing is a representation of a vertical section of my invention.

My invention has relation to wash-pounders; and it consists in the novel construction of a device having a flaring rim, a flat bottom, and a vertical handle, which extends to a level with the edge of said rim, said device being used in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified.

In the drawing, A designates the pounder-head, consisting of a funnel-shaped cup having a flat inner surface or partition, B, a rim, *b*, extending some distance below said bottom, and a central tube, C, through which passes a

handle, D, extending down to a level with or below the edge of the rim *b*.

The pounder is used in the same way as other wash-pounders—that is, by striking the clothes in the wash-tub with the edge of the pounder-head—the end of the handle, together with said edge, so to act upon the clothes as to cause the water to splash up against the flaring rim, by which means it is directed toward the center of the pounder-head and against the flat partition, and is then made to react and pass down through the clothes, thereby thoroughly cleaning them.

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

The wash-pounder having the partition B, conical flaring rim *b*, central tube C, and handle D, 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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