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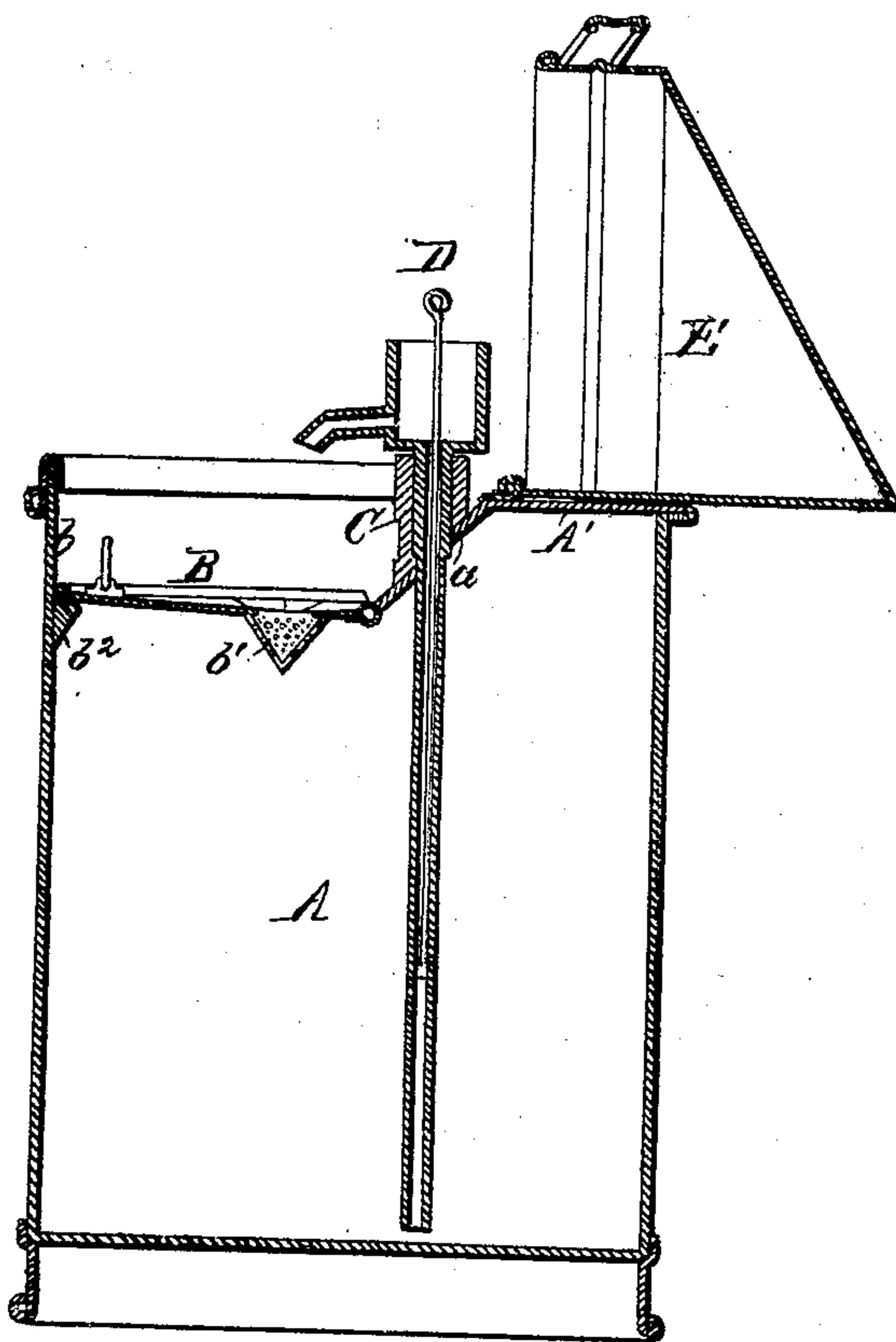


Figure 1.

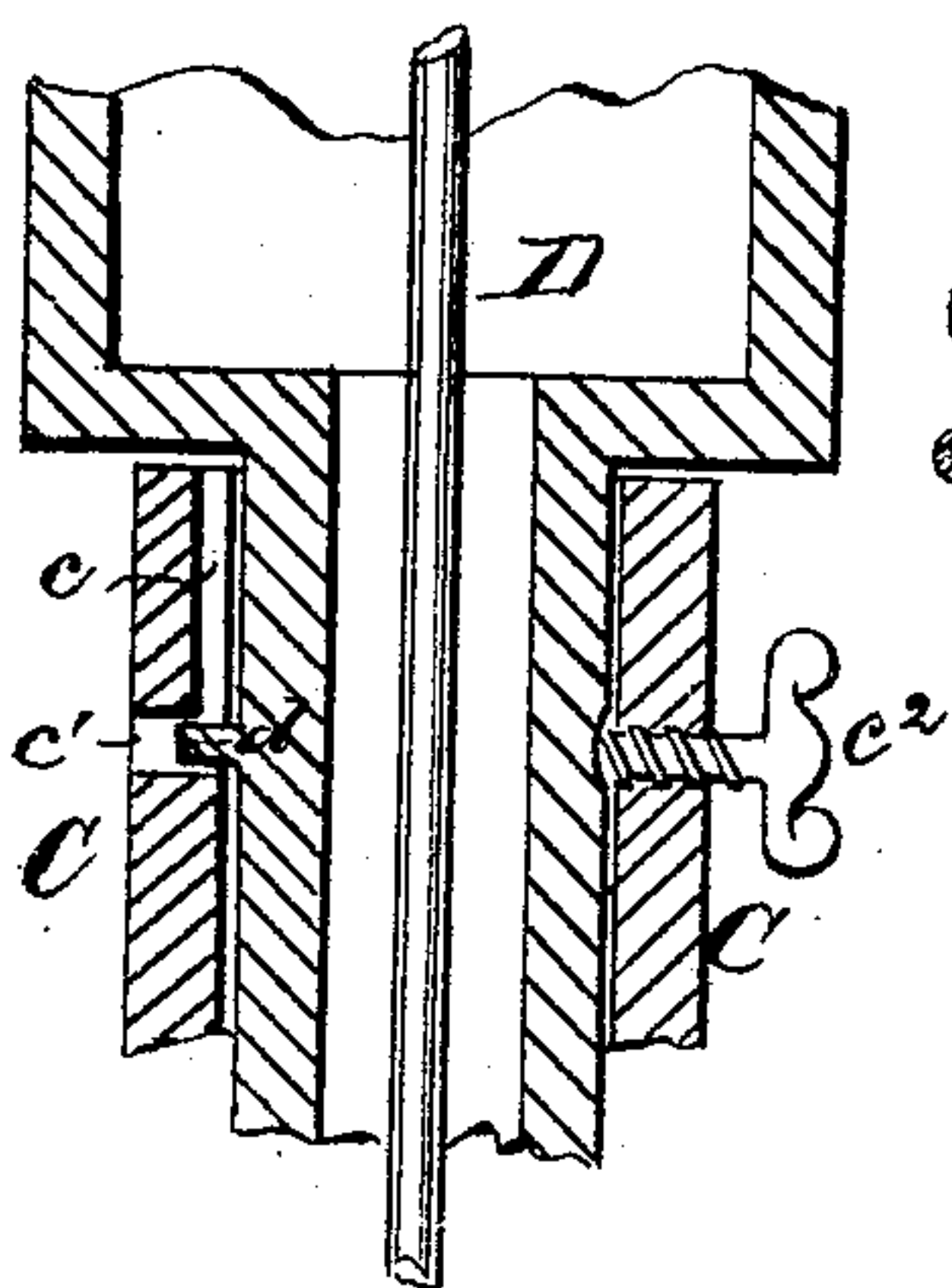


Figure 2.

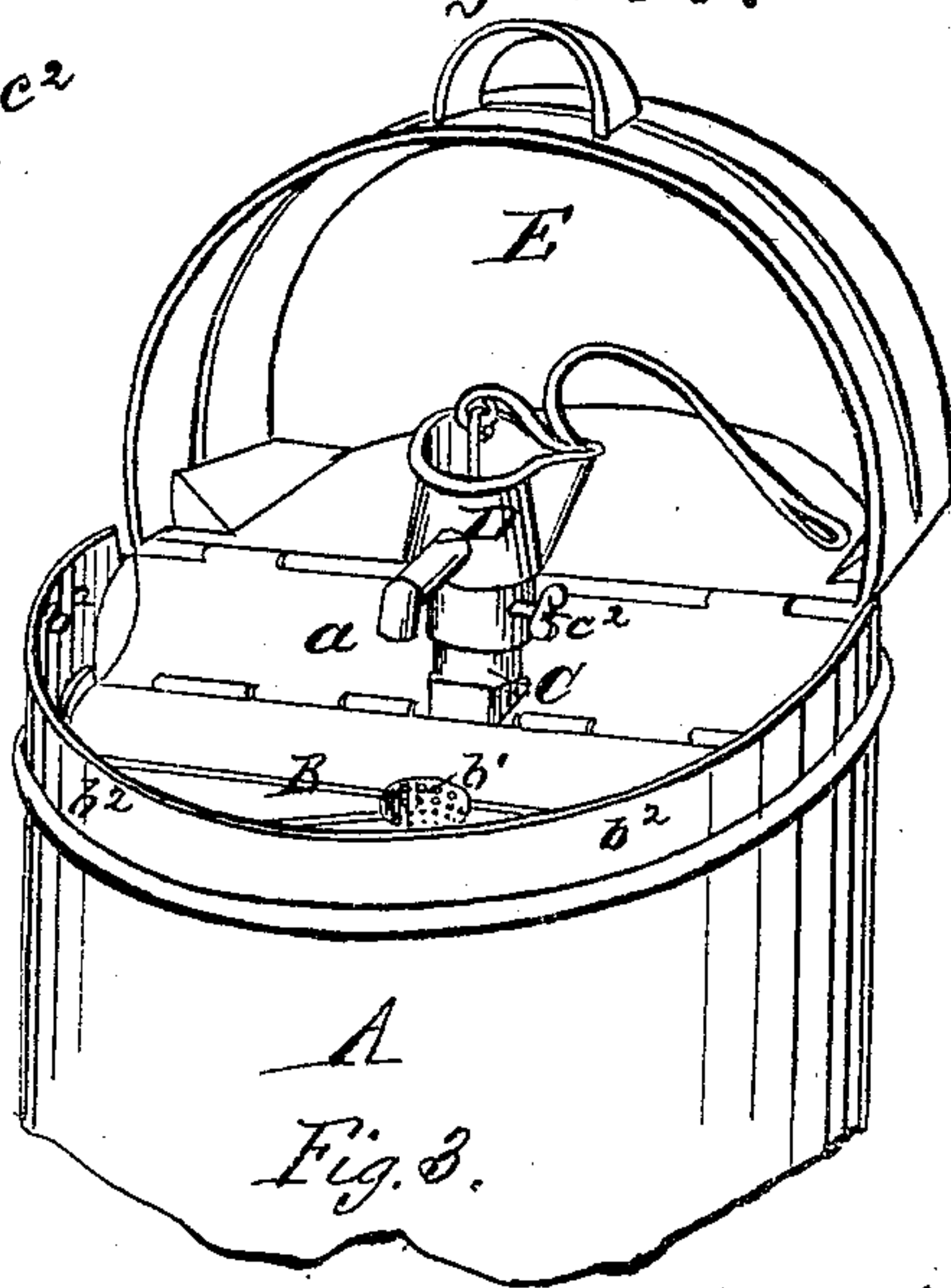


Fig. 3.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN OIL-CANS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, LEWIS W. HEMP and JOHN Z. SKINNER, both of St. Louis, county of St. Louis and State of Missouri, have made certain new and useful Improvements in Oil-Cans; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full and true description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

This invention relates to an improved manner of supporting and steadying the pump; also, in arranging an inclined back and hinged leaf, in combination with the body of the can; all of which will now more fully appear.

To enable those skilled in the art to make and use our said improvements, we will now more fully describe the same, referring to—

Figure 1 as a tranverse sectional elevation; to Fig. 2 as an enlarged detail of neck-supporting pump; to Fig. 3 as a perspective of top part of can.

A represents the oil can. Said can is covered on top at A', so as to form a partially open-mouthed can. The top A' is inclined to form a back, *a*, (see Figs. 1 and 3,) being properly soldered and strengthened. To said back *a* is hinged a door or segmental leaf, B. Said leaf, in conjunction with top rim part *b* of can, forms the required pan for the can, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 3.

By thus forming the pan it is evident much material is saved, less labor and expense incurred, and also more convenient for use and for purposes of inspecting, cleaning, repairing, or otherwise getting at the inside of the can.

The inclination of back *a* allows the pan-

leaf B to be arranged so as to swing clear of center line, and otherwise is more durable to support the pump. The pan-leaf B otherwise is formed with corrugations to feed the oil in its passage to a screened funnel, *b*<sup>1</sup>. To support the leaf B the same rests on a lug, *b*<sup>2</sup>.

The supporting-neck C we provide with a vertical groove, *c*, terminating in a hole, *c*<sup>1</sup>; further, a thumb-screw, *c*<sup>2</sup>, engages the opposite side. (See Fig. 2.) The pump D has a stop-pin, *d*, and, being placed in can, is readily seated in neck C, and retained in operative position by its pin, and, further, can be firmly secured by the set-screw *c*<sup>2</sup>, as clearly shown in Fig. 2. All lateral or turning motion of the pump, as well as difficulties frequently encountered to truly seat the pump, are thus obviated. E is the proper cover of can hinged on top.

Having thus fully described our said invention, what we claim is—

1. The supporting-neck C, when provided with a groove, *c*, hole *c*<sup>1</sup>, set-screw *c*<sup>2</sup> to receive and retain the pump D in operative position, substantially as shown and described.

2. An improved oil-can, A, having top A', inclined back *a*, hinged door or leaf B, supporting-neck C, as described, pump D, cover E, all combined, constructed, and arranged as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony of said invention we have hereunto set our hands.

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