

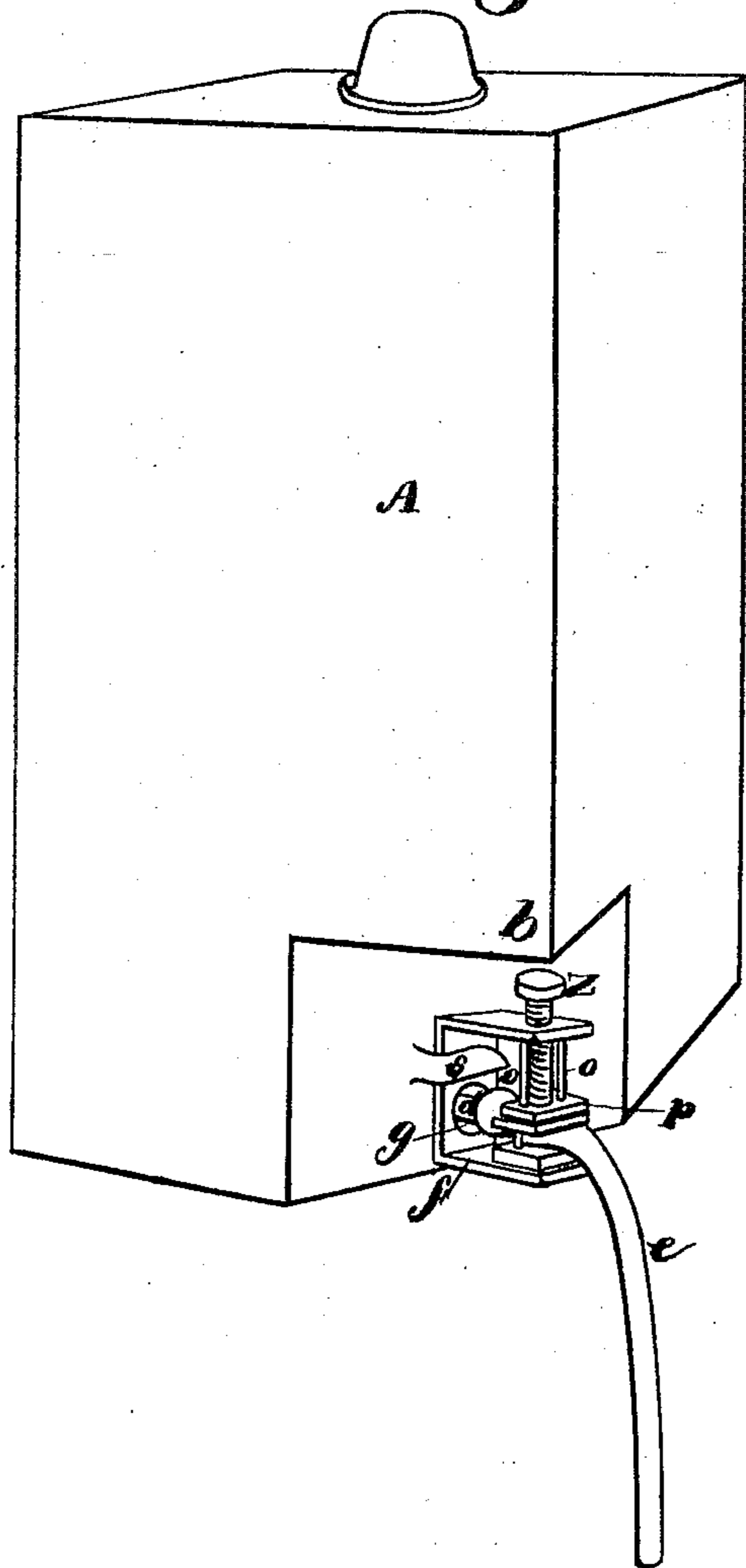
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*Fig. 1.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN OIL-CANS AND FAUCETS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, A. H. MARSHALL and G. W. MARSHALL, of Lower Lake, Lake county, State of California, have invented an Improved Oil-Can and Faucet; and we do hereby declare the following description and accompanying drawings are sufficient to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which it most nearly appertains to make and use our said invention without further invention or experiment.

Our invention relates to certain improvements in the means for drawing oil from oil-cans; and it consists of certain details of construction, combined as are hereinafter described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of our invention.

Let A represent an oil-can of the usual form. In constructing cans of this description we make an indentation or recess in one of the bottom corners of the case, in which we place the device through which the oil is to be drawn from the can. This indentation or recess is made by taking out a portion of the corner of the can, and closing the openings thus made by plain pieces of tin, thus producing a jog in one of the bottom corners of the can, and an overhang, *b*, which will protect the faucet from injury, and allow the cans to be packed closely and tightly without interfering with it.

The faucet which we use consists of a nipple, *a*, which is secured to the can in the indentation, an india-rubber tube, *e*, which is drawn on over the nipple, and a clamp, which serves to pinch the tube together and cut off the flow of oil. The india-rubber tube *e* can be of any desired length for convenience in filling vessels, such as lamps, cans, and the like. The clamp consists of a metal plate, *f*,

which is bent in the form of a U, and which has a hole, *g*, in its middle, so that it can be slipped on over the tube *e* and nipple *a* close up against the can. The arms of this frame or U-shaped plate extend out beyond the nipple. The outer ends of these arms are connected by the parallel guide-rods *o o*, along which a plate, *p*, is arranged to move and be guided. This plate serves as the movable clamping-jaw which pinches the india-rubber tube, and a screw, *Z*, serves to move it along the guide rods. The face of this plate, as also the opposite face against which the tube is compressed, is faced with a thin piece of india-rubber to prevent them from injuring the tube. A metal hook or spring-plate, *s*, on the case serves to hold the clamping-frame when it is turned vertically.

We thus provide a very convenient faucet or lamp-filler attachment for oil-cans, and at the same time protect it from injury. We place the faucet at the lower part of the can, where it will be most convenient, and it can be operated by simply turning the screw. The clamp can be removed, if desired, when the can is packed for transportation.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The can A, provided with the nipple *d* and india-rubber tube *e*, in combination with the clamping-jaws and a device for holding the clamping-jaws to the can, substantially as set forth.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands.

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