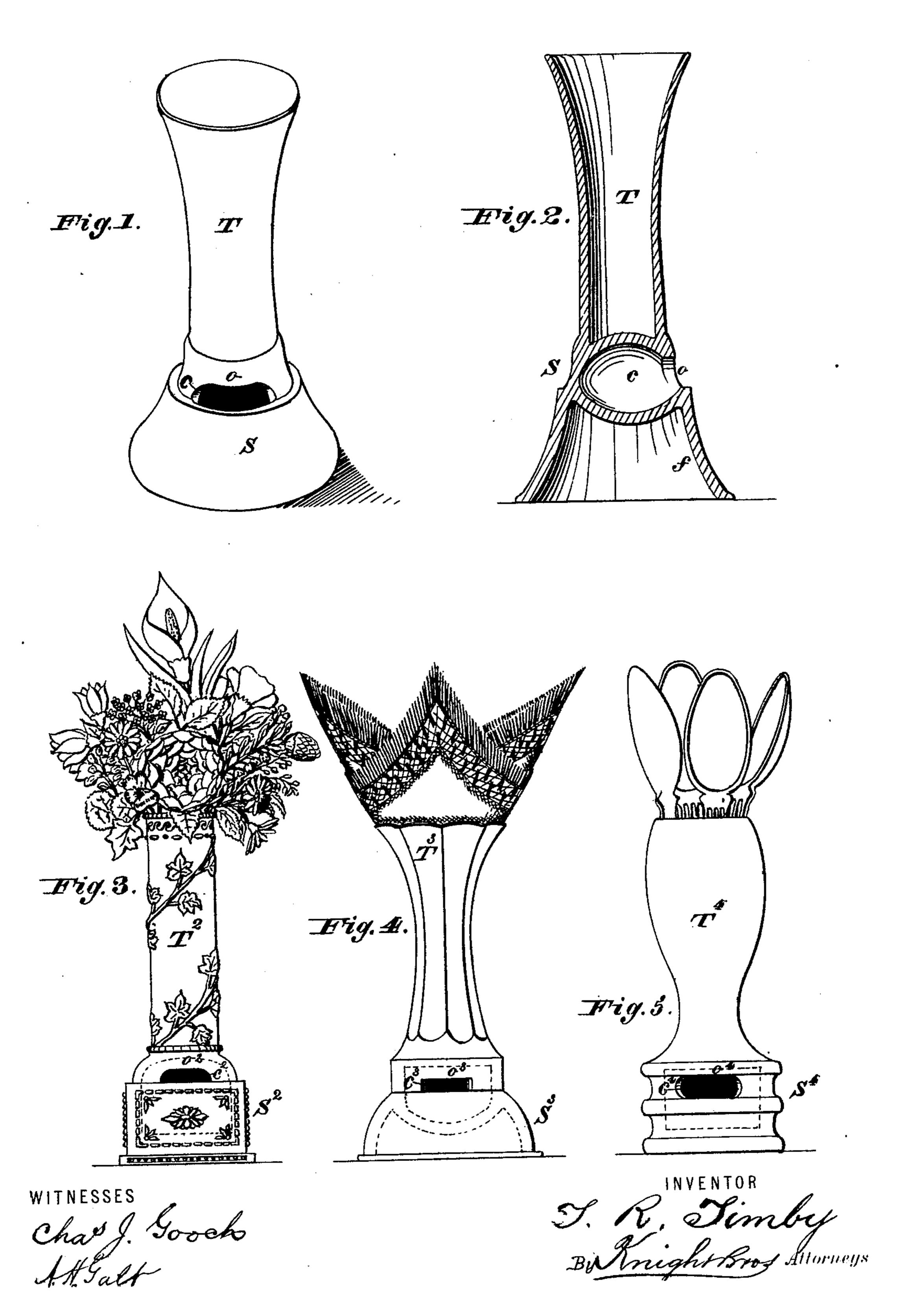
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IMPROVEMENT IN SALT-CELLARS AND NAPKIN-HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Theodore R. Timby, of Tarrytown, in the county of Westchester, in the State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Table-Ware for Holding Salt and other Articles, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates, primarily, as an improvement, to those "salts" or small "salt-cellars" for individual use which are now commonly considered essential articles of table furniture.

The present invention consists, first, in salts, or holders for salt or other condiments, so constructed that they can be more conveniently used, and with less danger of spilling the contents; and, secondly, in the combination of a holder for salt or other condiments and a holder for a bouquet, napkins, spoons, or other articles, the former constituting the base or support of the supplemental holder.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a "table-vase" illustrating this invention. Fig. 2 represents a vertical section of the same. Figs. 3, 4, and 5 are front elevations of other forms of the table-vase, illustrating the use of its upper part as a bouquet-holder, and as a napkin-holder, and as a spoon-holder, respectively.

Like letters of reference indicate correspond-

ing parts in the several figures.

This new article of table-ware may be made of glass, porcelain, stoneware, wood, or metal, of any plain or ornamental design. Its general shape is that of a vase, and it is so molded or shaped as to combine two complete articles required or desirable at every plate around a dining-table.

The first of these embodied articles is an individual salt, or holder for salt or other condiments. This holder is marked S in the drawing, and is constructed, as shown, with a covered bowl or chamber, c, having a lateral orifice, o, of suitable shape to admit of the insertion of the point of a knife and the removal of a small quantity of the salt or

other condiment thereon. Two or more orifices may be provided for greater convenience.

The covered holder S constitutes the base of the vase, and may be more or less high, as preferred.

In the first illustration a deep flange, f, extends below the bottom of the chamber c, as shown in Fig. 2. This is not essential, and the shapes of the chamber c and orifice o may be modified, as illustrated in Figs. 3, 4, and 5.

Rising from the holder S is a supplemental holder, T, which is the bowl or body of the vase, having the ordinary open upper end. The internal shape of this holder will be determined by the design of the vase. Four ordinary forms are represented. Each supplemental holder is adapted to receive and support a small bouquet, Fig. 3, a table-napkin, Fig. 4, or one or more spoons, Fig. 5, and, with or without special modification, they may be adapted for other uses. For example, a slight modification of the design illustrated in Fig. 5 would adapt the supplemental holder T4, there shown, to be used as an egg-cup. All such modifications are intended to be included within the scope of this invention.

The table-vase may be made of different sizes; but the following proportions are preferred: height, about six inches; extreme width of base, about three inches.

The following is what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, namely:

1. A holder for salt or other condiments, constructed with a covered bowl or chamber, having one or more lateral orifices, substantially as herein illustrated and described.

2. A table-vase consisting of a holder for salt or other condiments and a supplemental holder for a bouquet, napkins, spoons, or other articles, the former constituting the base of the vase, substantially as herein set forth.

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