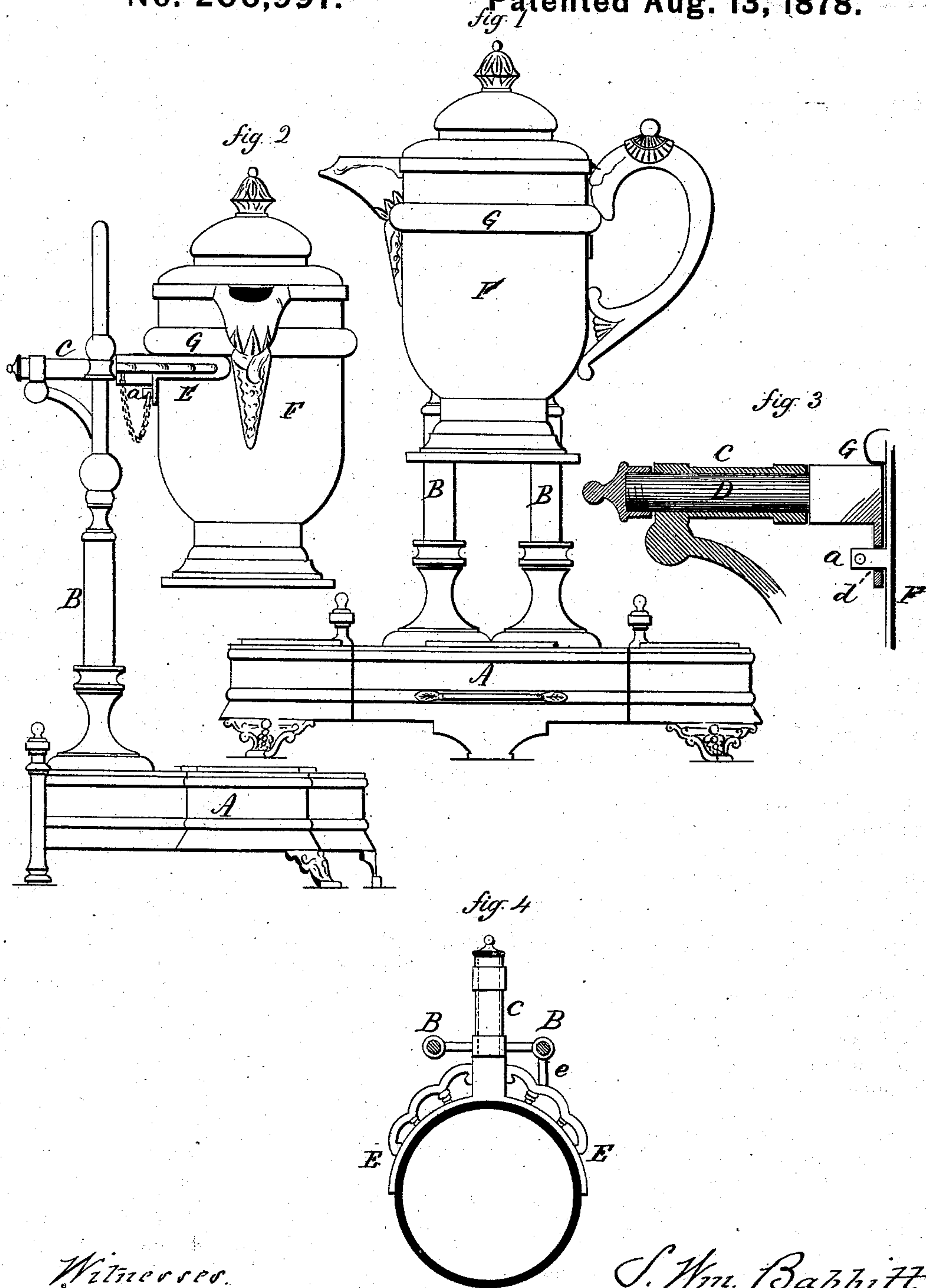


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## IMPROVEMENT IN PITCHERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, S. WILLIAM BABBITT, of West Meriden, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Water-Pitchers; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, a front view; Fig. 2, a side view; Figs. 3 and 4, detached views.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of pitchers which are hung upon a pivot, and so as to be tilted without lifting the pitcher, automatically resuming its vertical position when left free from the force which tilted it.

In the usual construction of this class of pitchers they have been hung upon a pivot upon each side, leaving the spout at the front.

In this construction the pitcher is almost entirely hidden by the frame-work which supports it, and the frame-work itself generally interferes with the convenient tilting of the pitcher.

The object of this invention is to suspend the pitcher at a single point, thereby leaving the handle, spout, and front side of the pitcher as free of access as if it were not suspended, and in such construction the invention consists.

A represents the base, which may be of any desirable form, at one side of which a support, B, rises, here composed of two posts. In this support, above the base, a horizontal socket, C, is formed, and in this a spindle, D, rests, carrying a yoke, E. This yoke lies in a horizontal plane, and corresponds to the shape of the pitcher F.

The pitcher is constructed with a rib or projection, G, which will rest upon the upper surface of the yoke, and so that the pitcher will be supported thereby; and in order to secure the pitcher to the yoke a stud, *a*, is formed on

the side of the pitcher, and so as to pass through a perforation, *d*, in the yoke, and be there secured by passing a pin through the stud or otherwise; or other attachment may be made to secure the pitcher on the yoke, it being understood that the attachment is made so that the spindle D is at right angles to the vertical plane through the spout and handle, as shown. This construction leaves the opposite side, or practically the front of the pitcher, free as if the pitcher stood upon a waiter, and it may be tilted without any inconvenience from the supporting device, and when occasion requires the removal of the pitcher it is only necessary to disconnect it from the yoke.

To insure the pitcher resting in its vertical position, a stop, *e*, extends outward from the support on the side of the socket next the handle to beneath the yoke, and so that the yoke will rest thereon when the pitcher is in its vertical position. The handle being heavier than the spout overbalances that, and tends to bring the pitcher back to the position of rest after it has once been tilted.

From the foregoing it will be understood that no broad claim is made to suspending the pitcher so that it may be tilted; but

What is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. A support for tilting pitcher, consisting of a single socket or pivot, and a yoke or rest arranged to turn in the said socket, combined with a pitcher supported in said yoke or rest, substantially as described.

2. A support for tilting pitcher, consisting of a single socket or pivot, and a yoke or rest arranged to turn in the said socket, combined with a pitcher supported in said yoke or rest, and a device, substantially such as described, to secure the pitcher in the said rest, substantially as specified.

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