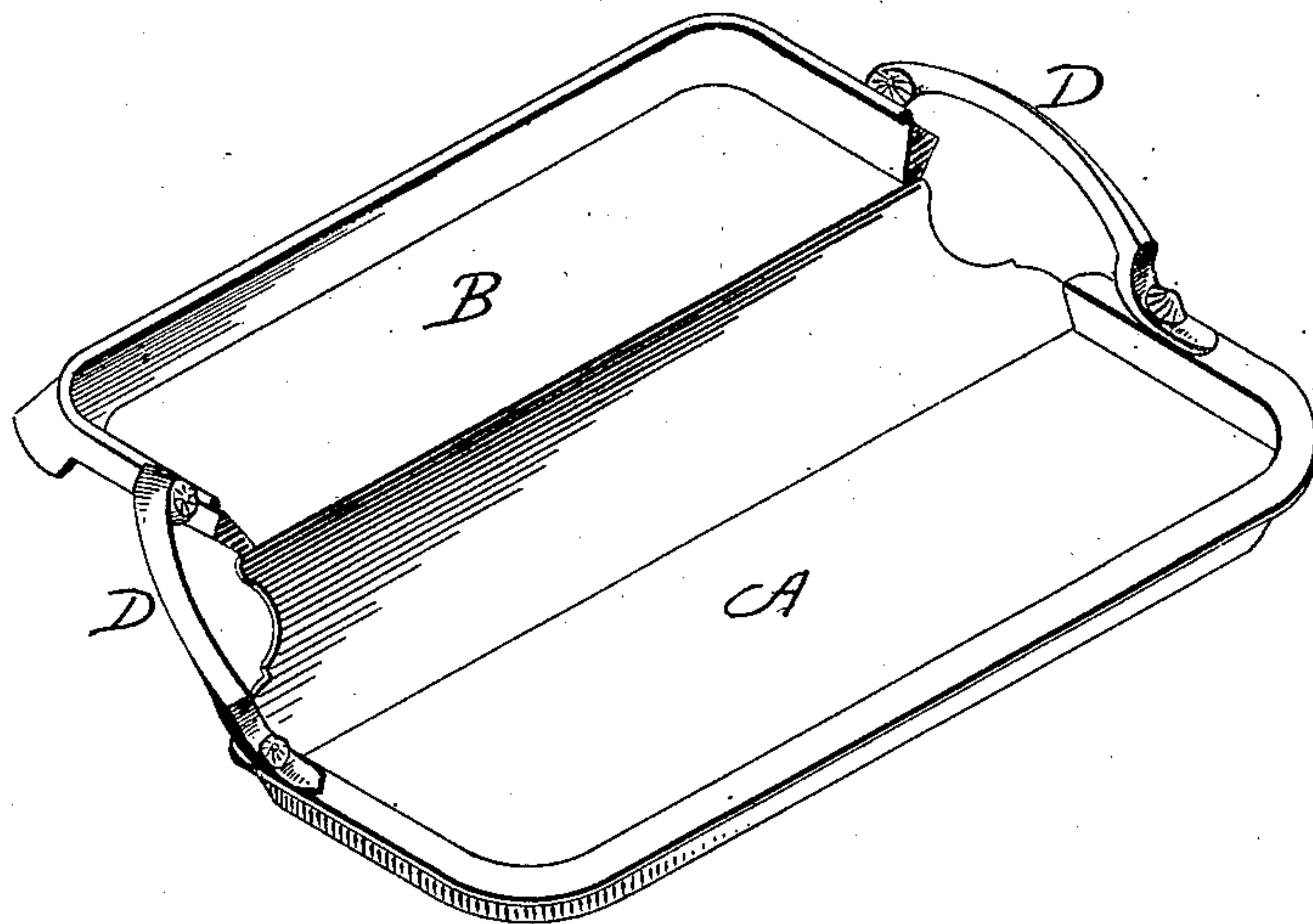


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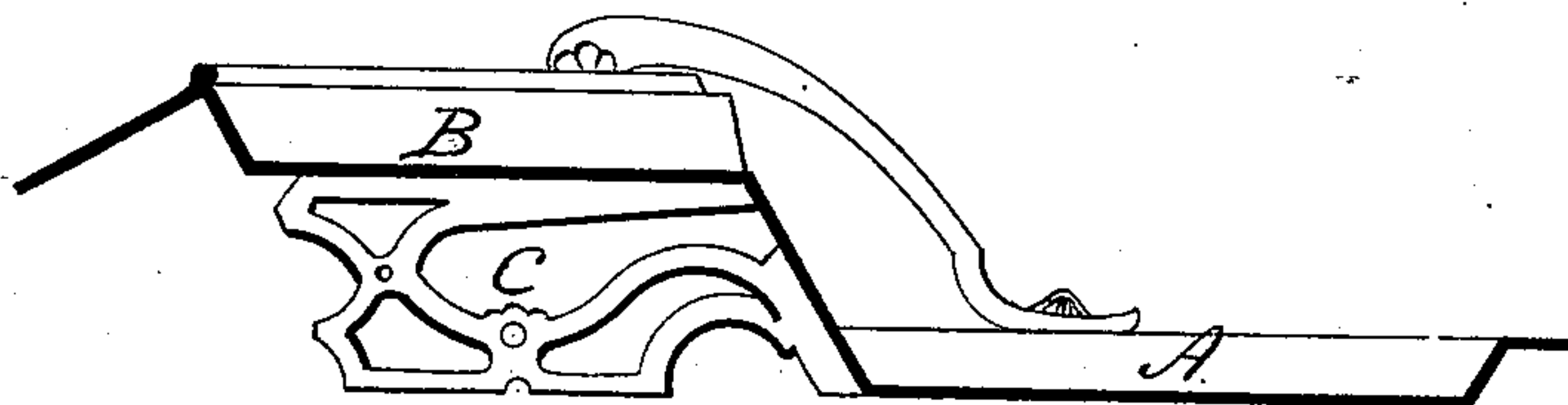
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*Fig 1*



*Fig 2*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN WAITERS.

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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 Waiters; 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, perspective view; Fig. 2, transverse central section.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of waiters designed to be carried in the hands of the servant, but is applicable to other uses; and it consists in a principal tray, combined with a second tray, elevated above the principal tray, as more fully hereinafter described.

A represents the principal tray, which may be of any of the usual forms, and having the usual edge upon the front and two ends. At the rear a second or auxiliary tray, B, is arranged, elevated above the first or principal tray, A, and with an edge around it as a protection to the articles thereon; and, for the purpose of supporting the tray when set upon the table, one or more brackets, C, is arranged beneath the elevated or auxiliary tray, as seen in Fig. 2. For convenience of carrying the tray, a handle, D, is provided at each end.

This construction adds to the convenience of this waiter, in that articles placed at the rear are elevated above those in the front, so that in reaching over from the front to the articles in the rear the danger of interference with the articles at the front is avoided.

The particular form of the waiter is immaterial to this invention, as that will be changed as the use for the waiter or the demands for the trade may require. The handles are not essential, as the waiter could be held without the handles equally as well as ordinary waiters of like capacity.

The auxiliary or raised tray is represented as offset or set back from the principal tray; but, if desired, the principal tray may extend beneath the auxiliary tray, it only being essential to the invention that the auxiliary elevated tray be made as a part of the principal tray and set back from one edge of the principal tray.

I claim—

The herein-described waiter, consisting of a principal tray and an auxiliary tray, elevated above the principal tray and set back from one edge of the principal tray, substantially as described.

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