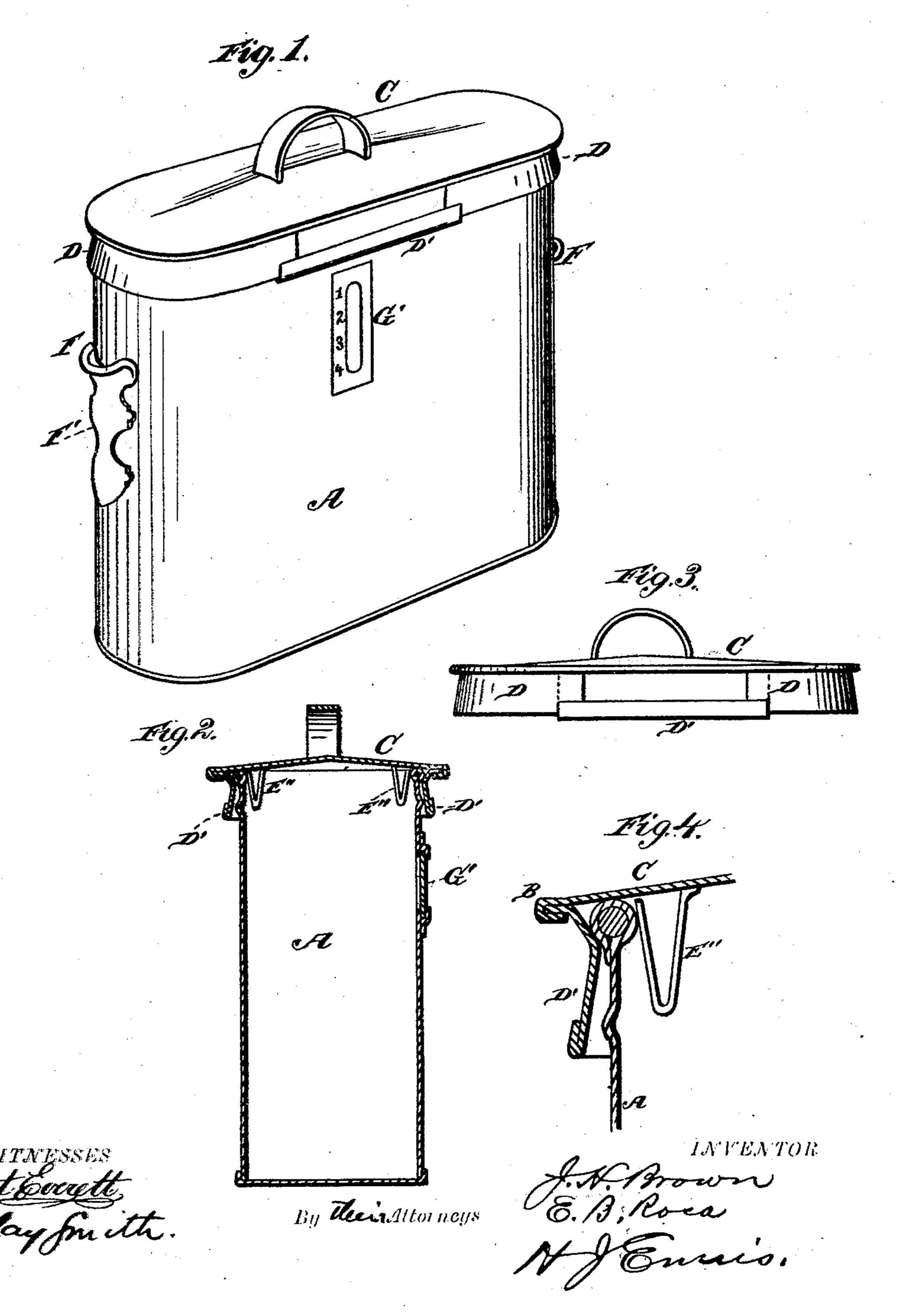
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, J. H. Brown and E. B. Rosa, citizens of the United States, residing at Wellsville, in the county of Allegany and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Milk Cans; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Our invention relates to cans for milk or oil, or other recipient; and the novelty consists in the construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter set forth, and for the purposes specified.

In carrying out our invention we employ a can or vessel which has a beaded upper edge, upon which operates a cover having a downwardly-extending flaring flange, which acts over the beaded ends of the can, and to which are attached spring-flanges, which operate to spring in the downwardly-extending flanges to form a seal and prevent volatilization or the admission of air.

The structure is such that the complete can will be sealed upon placing the lid upon the vessel with a slight downward pressure, which may be formed into a lock by further pressure downward. The lid is provided with a springabutment, which serves to hold the same in either a sealed or locked position.

In the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective elevation. Fig. 2 is a central vertical section. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the lid

or cover; and Fig. 4 a detail section, showing 40 the beaded end of the can locked between the two springed portions.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the can or vessel, of oval form; F, the handles; F', the bearing-plates, and G' the incased 45 glass.

C represents the cover, having semicircular outwardly-flaring flanges D, to which are secured spring-flanges D', which operate upon parallel sides of the vessel A.

E" represents a spring-abutment upon the cover C, which, when said cover is placed in position, operates with a constant force to prevent the sides of the vessel A from bending inward.

It will be observed that the action of the parts D' and spring portion of the part E", in connection with the beaded upper edge of the vessel A, is such that a slight pressure will seal the can, the parts D' springing in the 60 parts D, as shown, and that a further pressure downward will lock the can between the spring portions D' and E", as shown in Fig. 4.

What we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The beaded can A, of oval form, combined with the cover C, having outwardly-flaring and downwardly-extending flanges D, spring-flanges D', and spring-flanges or stops E'', all adapted and combined to operate together, as 70 and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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