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Fig. 1 .

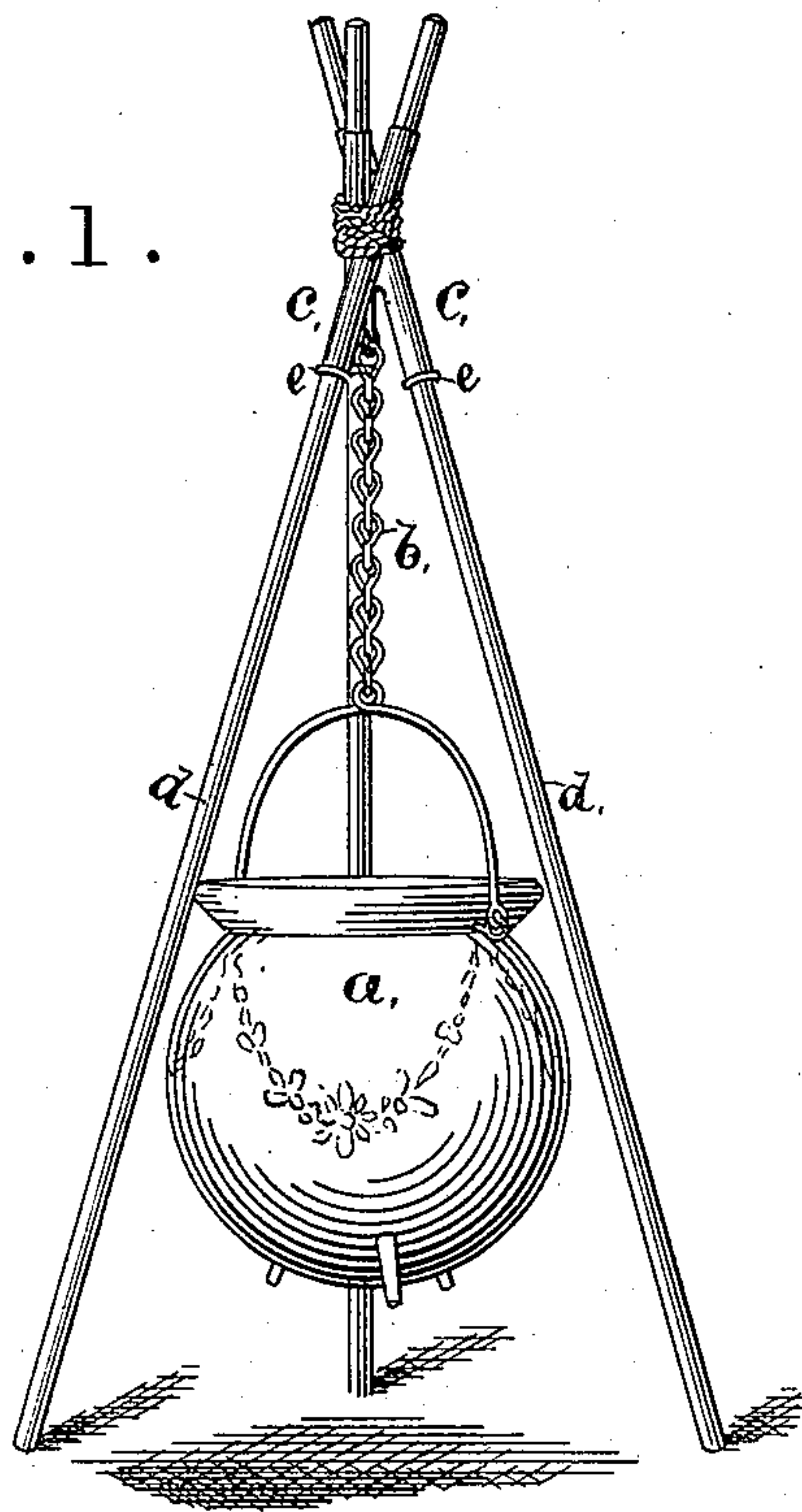


Fig. 2 .

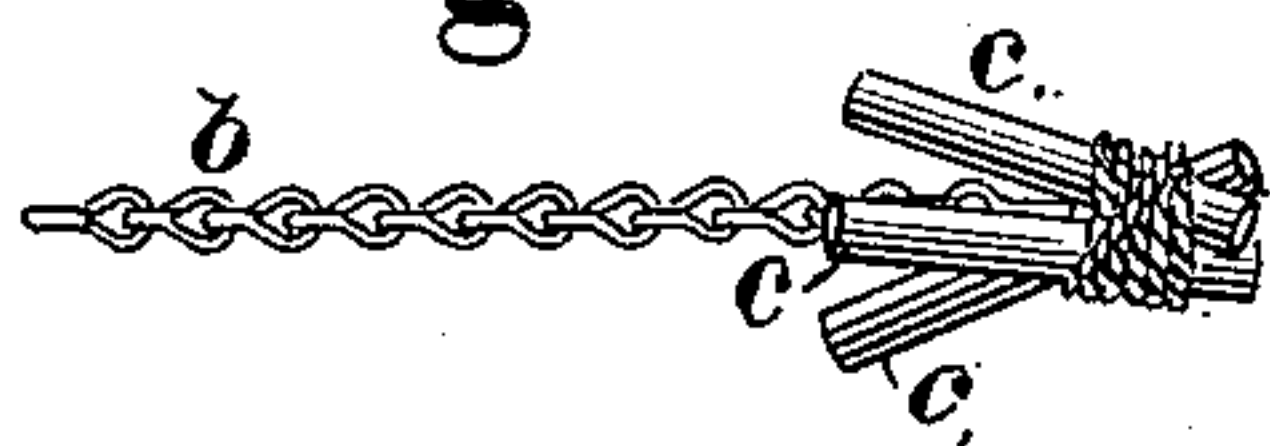
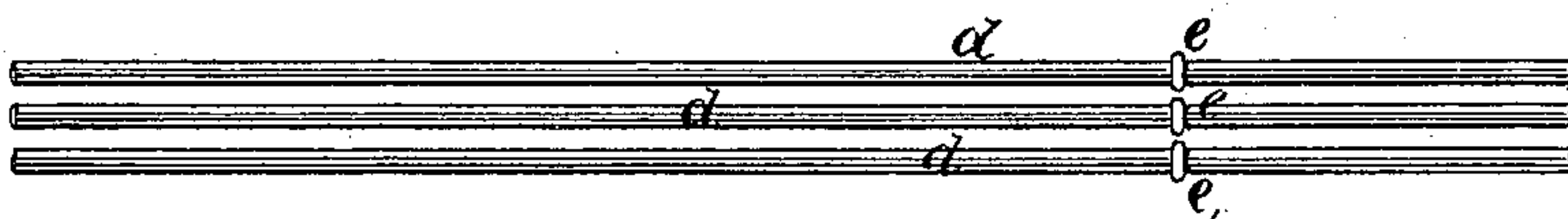


Fig. 3 .



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TOY GIPSY-KETTLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN G. JOHNSON, of the city and county of Providence, and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Toy Gipsy-Kettles; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention has reference to an improvement in toy camp or gipsy kettles, such as are used for ornaments and are supported on a tripod.

The object of this invention is to construct these gipsy-kettles so that the same can be packed into a small space.

The invention consists in providing three sleeves, secured together, and three rods with shoulders or collars, so that they can be inserted into the sleeves to support the kettle, and can be readily removed so as to be packed into a box smaller than would be required for the same size as heretofore constructed.

Figure 1 is a perspective view, showing the tripod supporting the kettle. Fig. 2 is a view of the three sleeves secured together with the chain on which the kettle is supported. Fig. 3 is a view of the three rods provided with collars, which, when inserted into the sleeves, form the tripod.

In the drawings, *a* represents a gipsy or camp kettle. *b* is the chain by which the kettle is suspended. *c c c* are three sleeves or tubes, secured together so as to point to three different points of a circle. *d d d* are three rods or sticks, each provided with a shoulder or a collar, *e*, on which the sleeves *c c c* rest when the rods are inserted into the sleeves, as is shown in Fig. 1.

Toy gipsy-kettles are largely used as orna-

ments. The kettles are made of various materials, and are used to hold flowers and other articles. They are also used with glass kettles for gold-fish or other ornamental fish, and form a regular article of manufacture and sale.

When the tripod is permanently secured together it requires a large box to contain the same. It is difficult to secure the kettle, when made of fragile material, within the tripod, and the kettle is liable to break in shipping or handling. The tripod is also liable to break, and the rods are easily bent out of shape. To remedy these defects and produce a more saleable, more durable, and more convenient article, I secure the three sleeves or tubes *c c c* firmly together, provide the rods each with a collar or shoulder, so that the rods, sleeves, and kettle can be packed securely in a box much smaller than the boxes formerly used, and can be set up by inserting the rods into the sleeves or tubes.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a toy gipsy-kettle consisting of the kettle, three tubes or sleeves, from which the chain is suspended, and three rods provided with shoulders constructed to enter the sleeves, as described.

2. In a tripod constructed to support a kettle, the combination, with the sleeves *c c c*, secured together, of the rods or legs *d d d*, constructed to enter the sleeves and support the kettle, as described.

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