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Fig. 1.

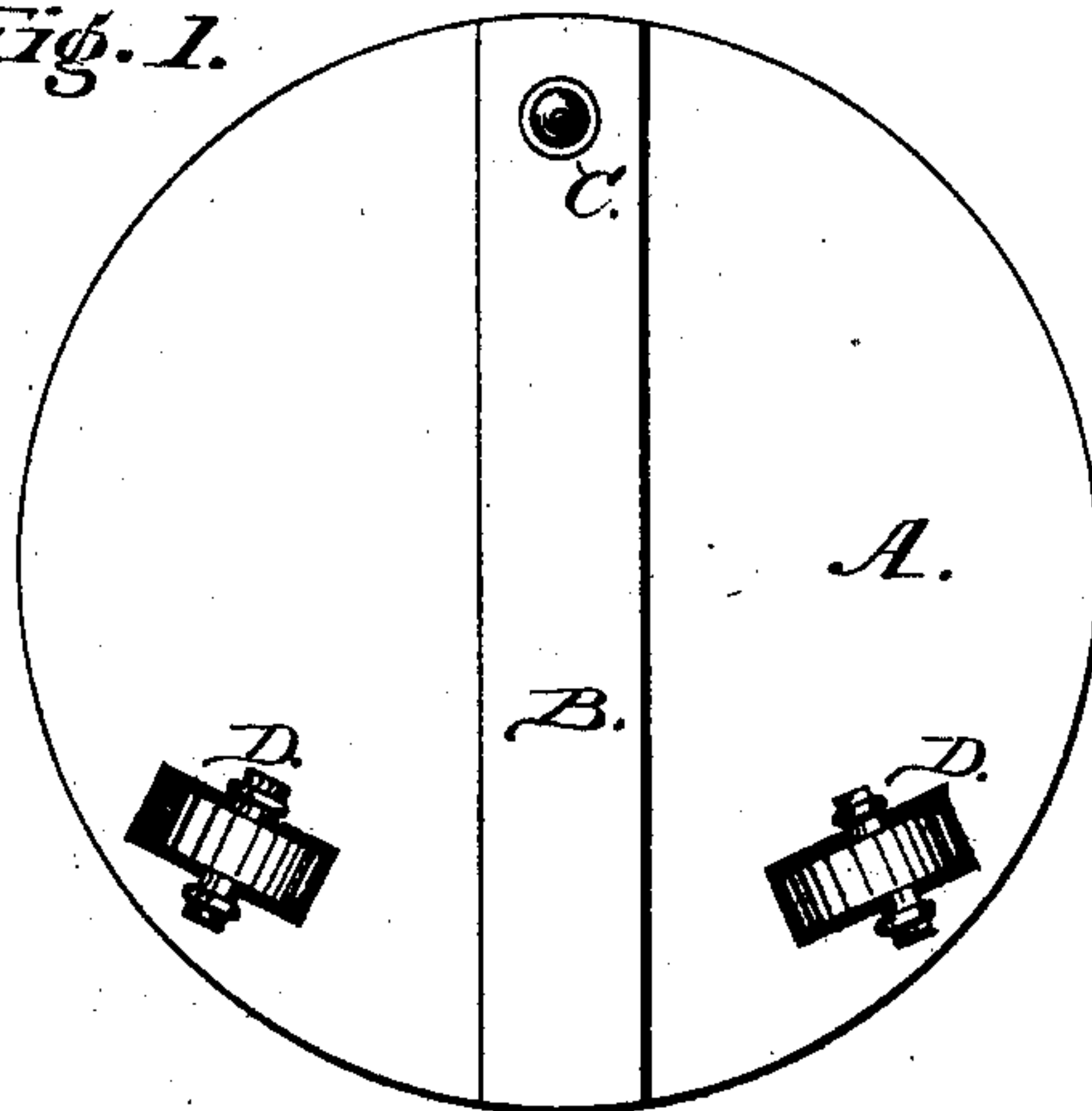
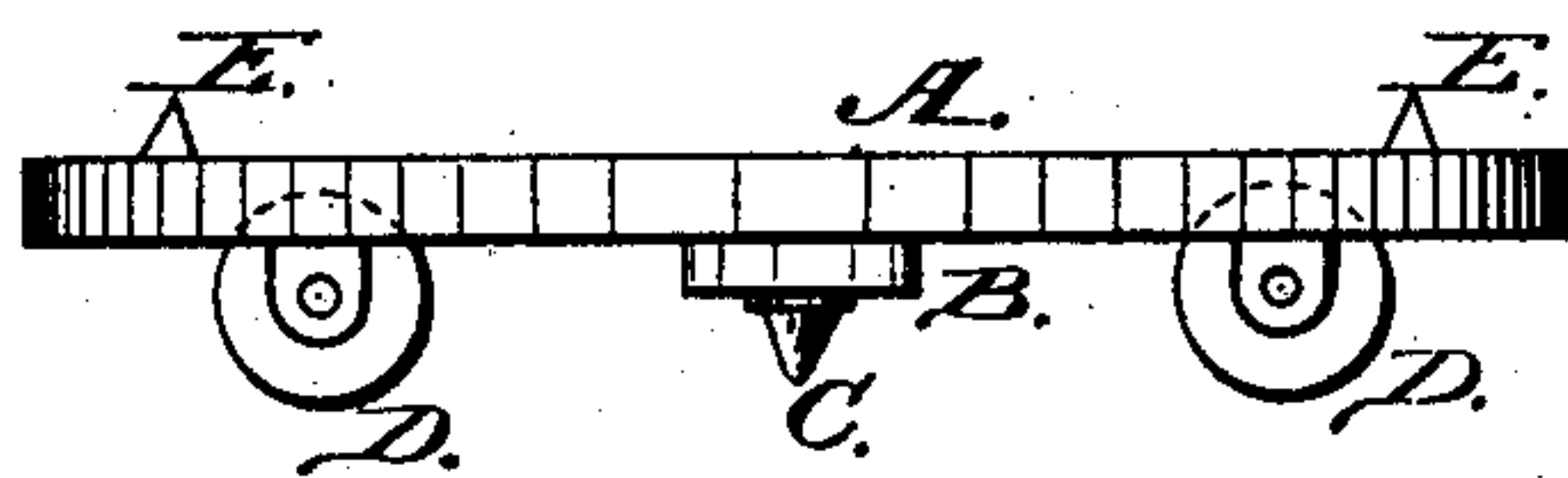


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. VEBER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bowling Green, in the county of Wood and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Swinging Platforms for Barrels; and I 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 the letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention has for its object to provide an improved revolving platform for handling barrels, whereby the barrel may be rapidly and easily turned around out from under the counters of stores to get at its contents, or as readily turned back again out of the way; and the invention consists, essentially, of a circular platform having a central cross-beam arranged across the bottom thereof, a sharp downwardly-projecting pivot being arranged at one end of said cross-beam, and the bottom of the platform opposite to said pivot being provided with two casters or wheels, while the upper surface of the platform is provided with two or more upwardly-extending points or spurs to receive and hold the barrel in place upon said platform, all as will be hereinafter more fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a bottom-plan view of my invention, and Fig. 2 a side elevation thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts in both figures.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the circular platform, which may be constructed of either wood or metal, and of such sizes as may be deemed desirable. Across the bottom of said platform is rigidly secured the central cross-beam, B, to prevent warping or splitting of the platform. At one end of this cross-beam is provided a downwardly-projecting pivot, C, as shown.

To the under side of the platform A, opposite the pivot C, is attached suitable metallic casters or wheels, D, one on each side of the

central cross-beam, B, as fully shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings. The journals of these wheels or rollers D are arranged in suitable bearings on lines which are radii of a circle of which the pivot C is the center, whereby the platform is enabled to oscillate or swing freely from side to side upon said pivot, with but a slight power applied to it.

Upon the upper surface of the platform A is provided two or more upwardly-projecting spurs or penetrating-points, E, which are adapted to sink in the bottom of the barrel and hold it in place upon the platform.

The construction of my invention being as described, it will be observed that in the operation of the same the platform is adapted to be placed on the floor beneath the counter of a grocery or other store, and a barrel from which the merchandise is to be sold is adjusted upon the said platform. To get at the contents of the barrel, the top of which is open, the barrel is pulled gently to one side, which operates the wheels or rollers and causes the platform to turn on its pivot, which rests upon the floor of the store, thereby bringing the barrel out from under the counter. A reverse movement of the hand causes the platform to turn again on its pivot and carry the barrel back again under the counter, out of the way.

The advantages of my invention will be readily apparent without a more minute description, inasmuch as it combines in its construction and operation a high degree of utility and novelty with a ready adaptation to the purpose contemplated.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is—

As an improved article of manufacture, the herein-described swinging platform for barrels, consisting of the circular platform A, having central cross-beam, B, and provided with the pivot C and rollers D on the bottom thereof, and with the spurs or points E on the top, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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