

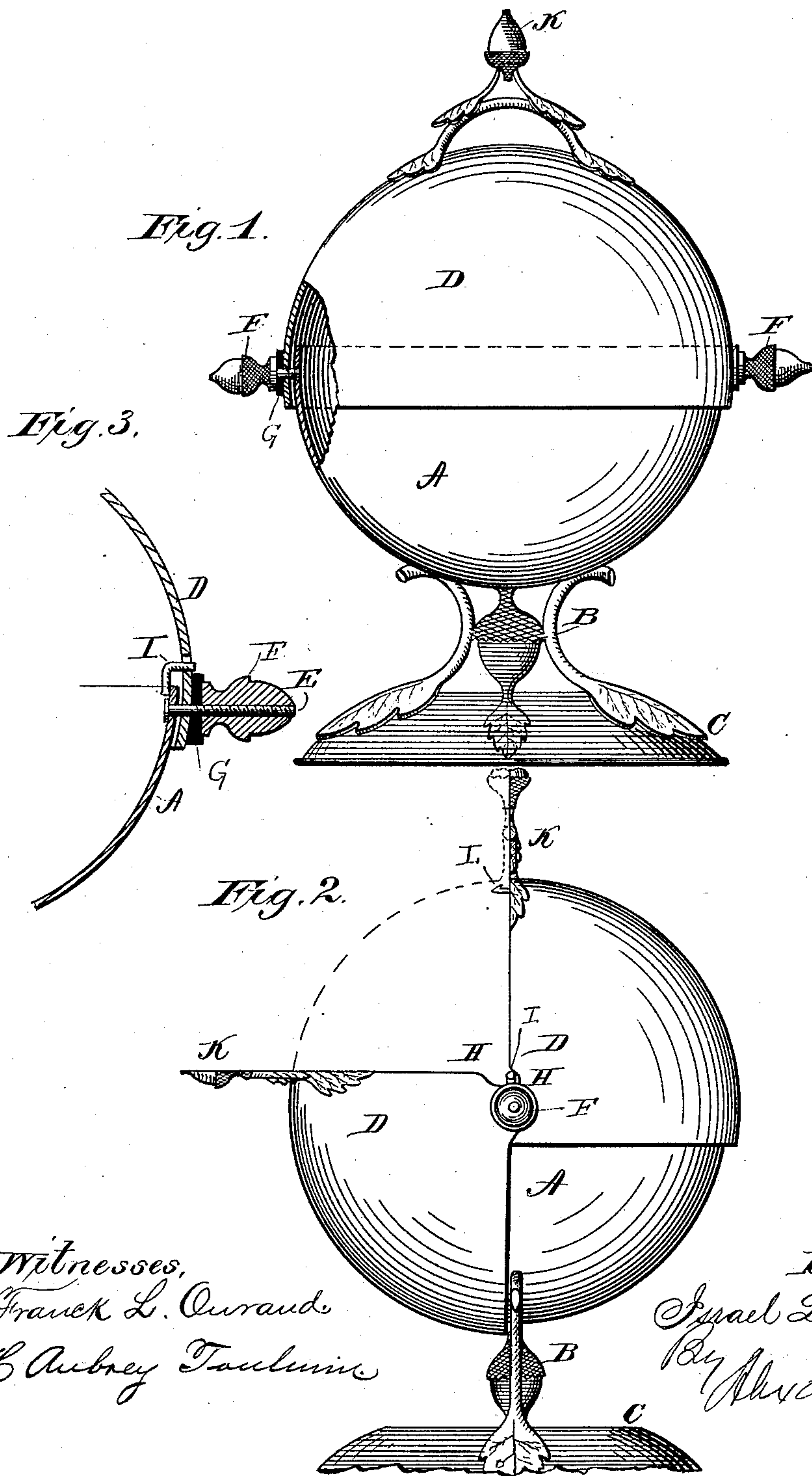
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## TABLE-DISH.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ISRAEL L. LANDIS, of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster, and in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Table-Dishes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improved table-dish for butter, preserves, and other like articles; and it has for its objects to provide a dish which will be ornamental in appearance, easily handled, and which may be opened and closed at will without detaching the covers from the body of the dish. These objects I attain by the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of my improved dish with a portion broken away, showing the method of connecting the lids or covers to the body. Fig. 2 represents a similar view showing one of the covers or lids thrown down; and Fig. 3 represents a detached sectional view, showing the means for attaching the lids or covers to the body of the dish and a stop for holding one of the covers when elevated.

The letter A indicates the body of my improved dish, which is in the form of a hemispherical shell mounted upon a suitable standard, B, provided with a base, C.

The standard and base B may be of any desirable design, being so located in connection with the body as not to interfere with the lids or covers when opened, as more fully hereinafter specified.

The letter D indicates the covers or lids. These are each in the form of a quarter of a hollow hemisphere, slightly larger than the hemispherical body of the dish, and are pivoted at opposite sides to the upper edge of the body of the dish by means of the screw-bolts E, which are secured by the ornamental nuts F.

Between the bases of the nuts and the lids are secured the rubber washers or springs G,

which serve to bind the covers or lids with a yielding pressure and hold the said lids or covers in any desired position. The said lids or covers, near their points of attachment, have recesses H formed at their edges, which engage the stops I when the lids are elevated, and limit their movement, so that they cannot pass beyond a vertical line when elevated.

The letter K indicates a handle, one attached to the edge of each lid or cover. These may be of any ornamental design, and are so constructed that when the lids or covers are brought together to close the dish they will adjoin and form virtually a single handle, by means of which the dish may be carried or moved, and at the same time will enable the covers to be separated and thrown down, so as to either partially or wholly open the dish.

The operation of my invention will be readily understood in connection with the above description.

It will be seen that either cover may be thrown down, so as to partly or wholly open the dish at will, the lids or covers being held in position at any angle by means of the binding washers or springs G. When the lids are closed they are secured by means of engaging-catches L, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In combination with the hemispherical body of the dish, the lids pivoted thereto, and the springs or washers, whereby the lids may be held in any desired position, substantially as specified.

2. In combination with the hemispherical body of the dish, and the pivoted covers thereof, the stops I, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of January, 1881.

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