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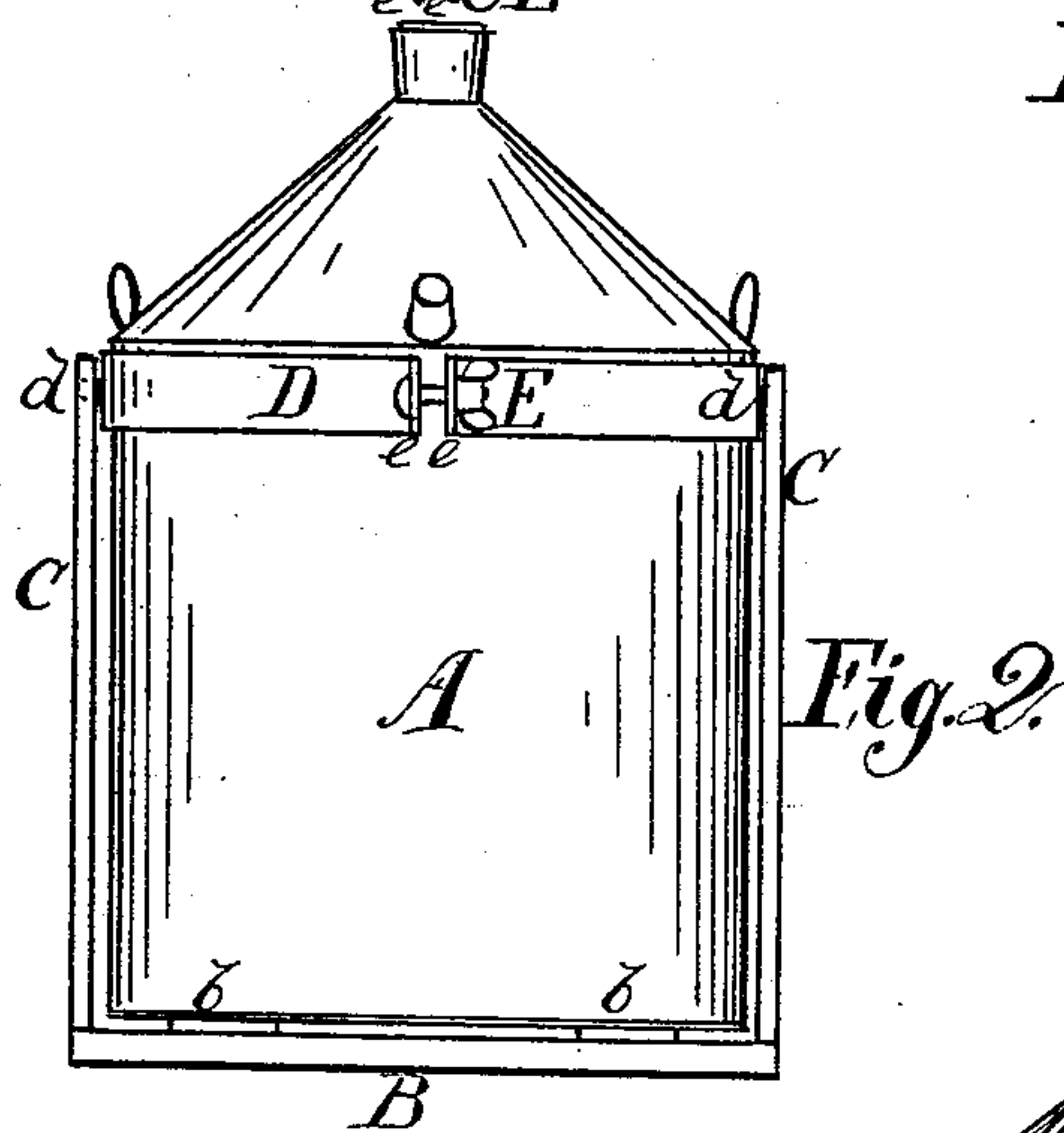
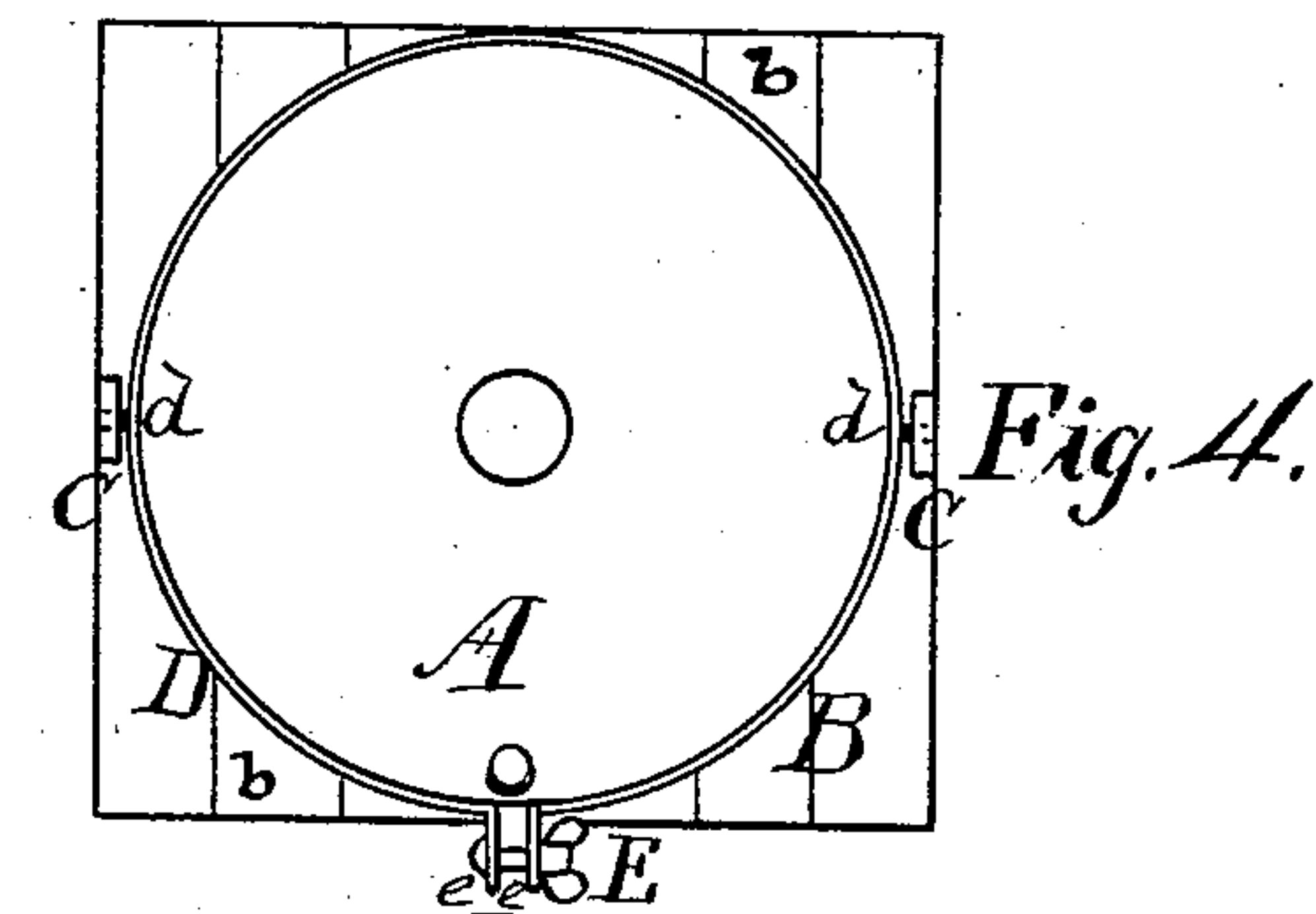
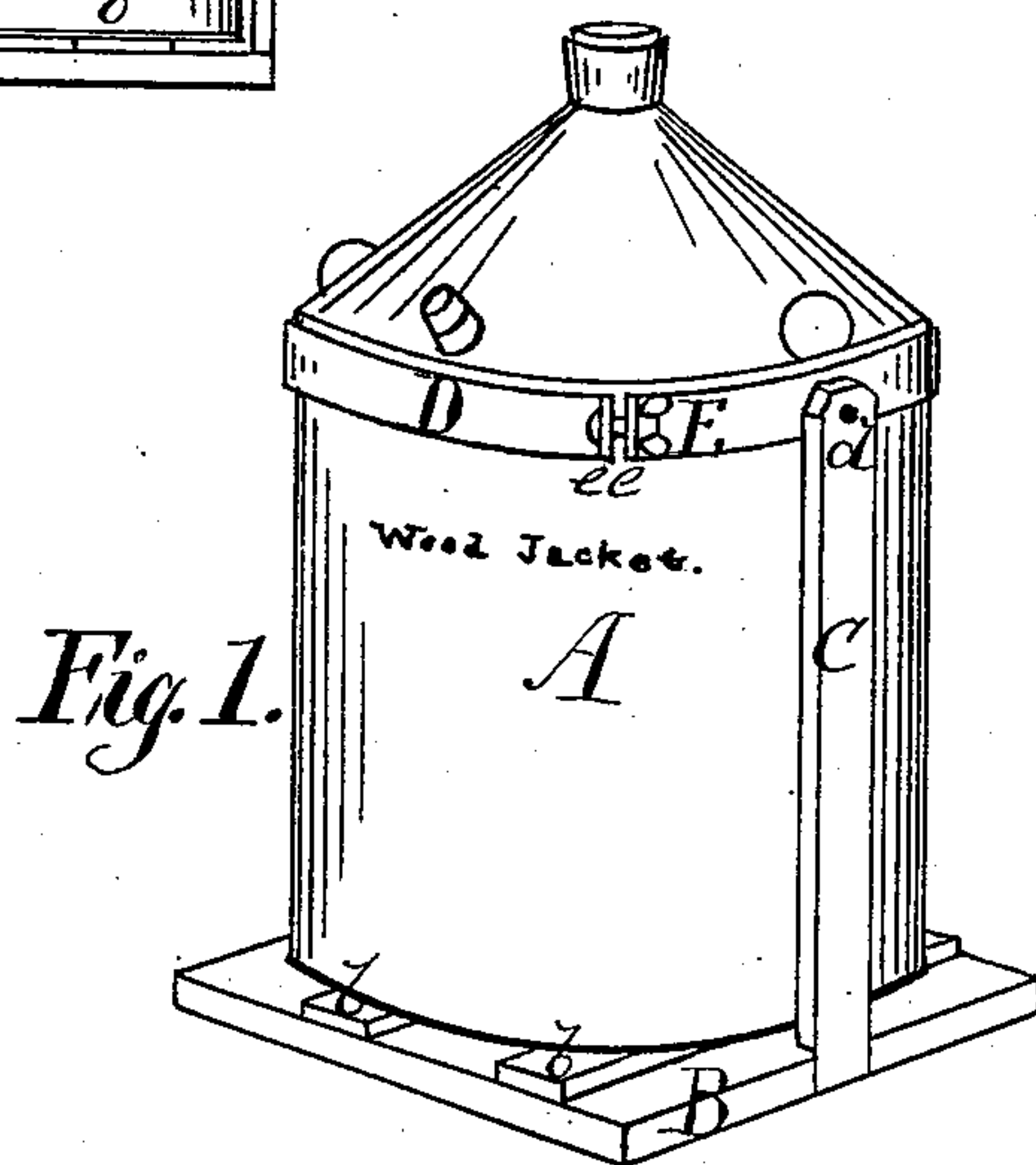
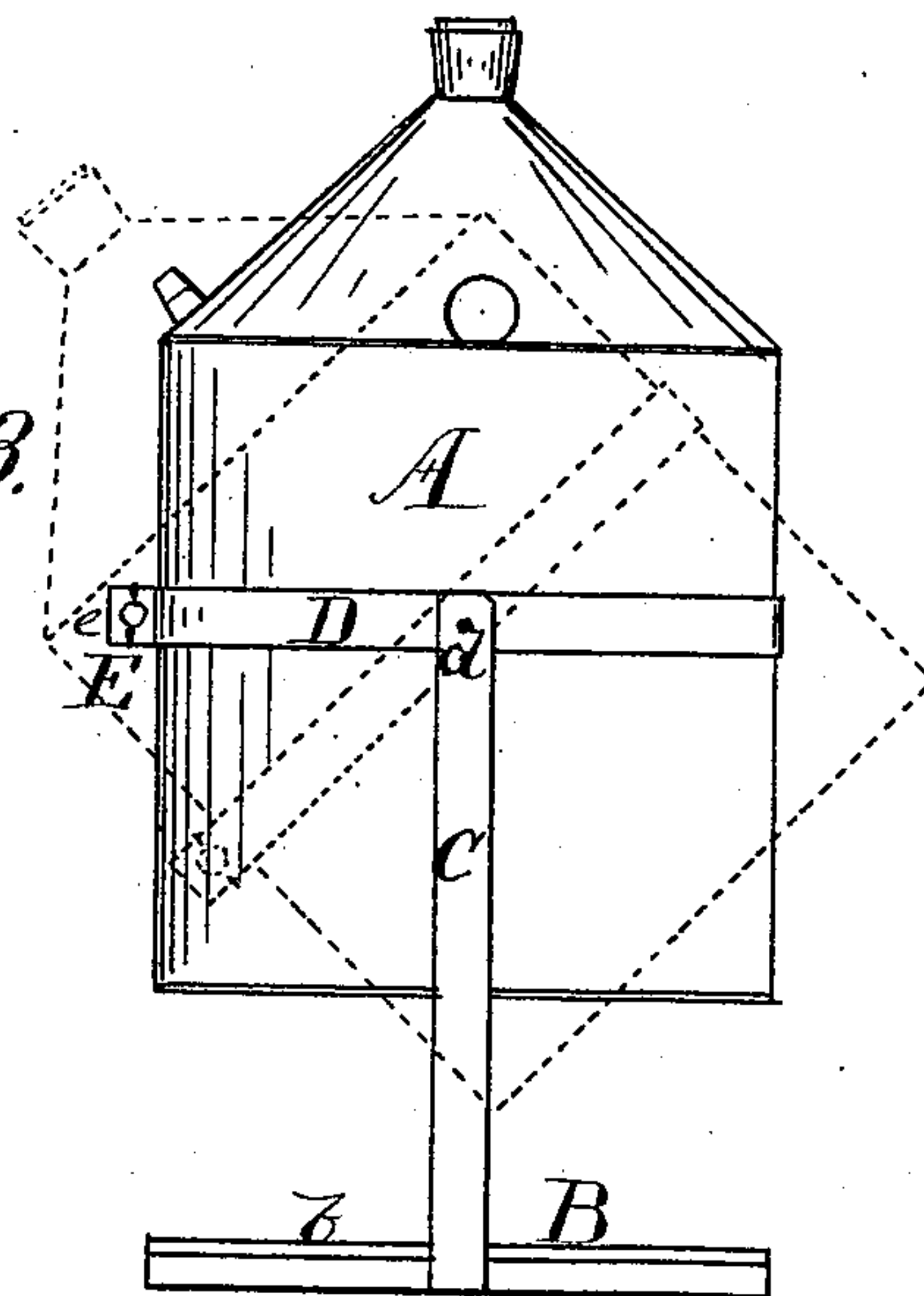


Fig. 3.



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TILTING OIL-CAN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY C. SMITH, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tilting Oil-Cans, of which the following is a specification.

The nature and objects of this improvement will fully appear from the subjoined description, when considered in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view. Fig. 2 is a side elevation. Fig. 3 is also a side elevation, showing the can elevated for tilting. Fig. 4 is a top or plan view.

This improvement relates to the peculiar construction and arrangement of the several parts for the production of a cheap, simple, and efficient shipping oil-can, easily and readily converted into a tilting can for convenience of drawing oil therefrom.

A in the several views is a common wooden-jacketed round tin oil-can used by dealers and consumers of petroleum products.

B is a base-board, which is preferably square in form, and may be stiffened and strengthened with cleats *b b*.

C C are two posts or uprights attached to said base-board, between which the can A is placed. They are the same height as the body of the can, and stand on two opposite sides thereof. At the top ends of said posts is fixed an open hoop or band, D, by means of trunnions *d d*, playing in suitable bearings in the tops of said posts. The open part of said band D is provided with lips or lugs *e e*, through which a screw-bolt having a thumb nut, E, is placed, the purpose of which is to close and se-

cure the ends of the band. The aforesaid can A is placed within the said band D, as shown, and may be secured in either position seen in Figs. 2 and 3 by tightening the band around it.

The inside surface of the band may be roughened by punching small holes through it from the outside, which will prevent the possibility of the can slipping.

For shipment and close packing the can is let down so as to set on the base-board and the band tightened. Then the base, the posts, and the band serve as a protection. When it is desired to tilt the can the band is loosened and the can raised about one-half its length in the band and the band again tightened. The can may then be turned over on the trunnions for drawing or emptying, as may be desired.

The can is provided with a neck for filling, a nozzle or spout for emptying, and a bail for carrying, and makes a very cheap, simple, and convenient oil-can for the purposes above stated.

Having described my invention, I claim—

The band D, having its inside surface roughened by punching holes from the outside, and provided with the lips *e e* for the thumb-screw E, and having the trunnions *d d*, in combination with the posts C C, set apart to permit the movements of the can to and from the base, and jacketed can A, as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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