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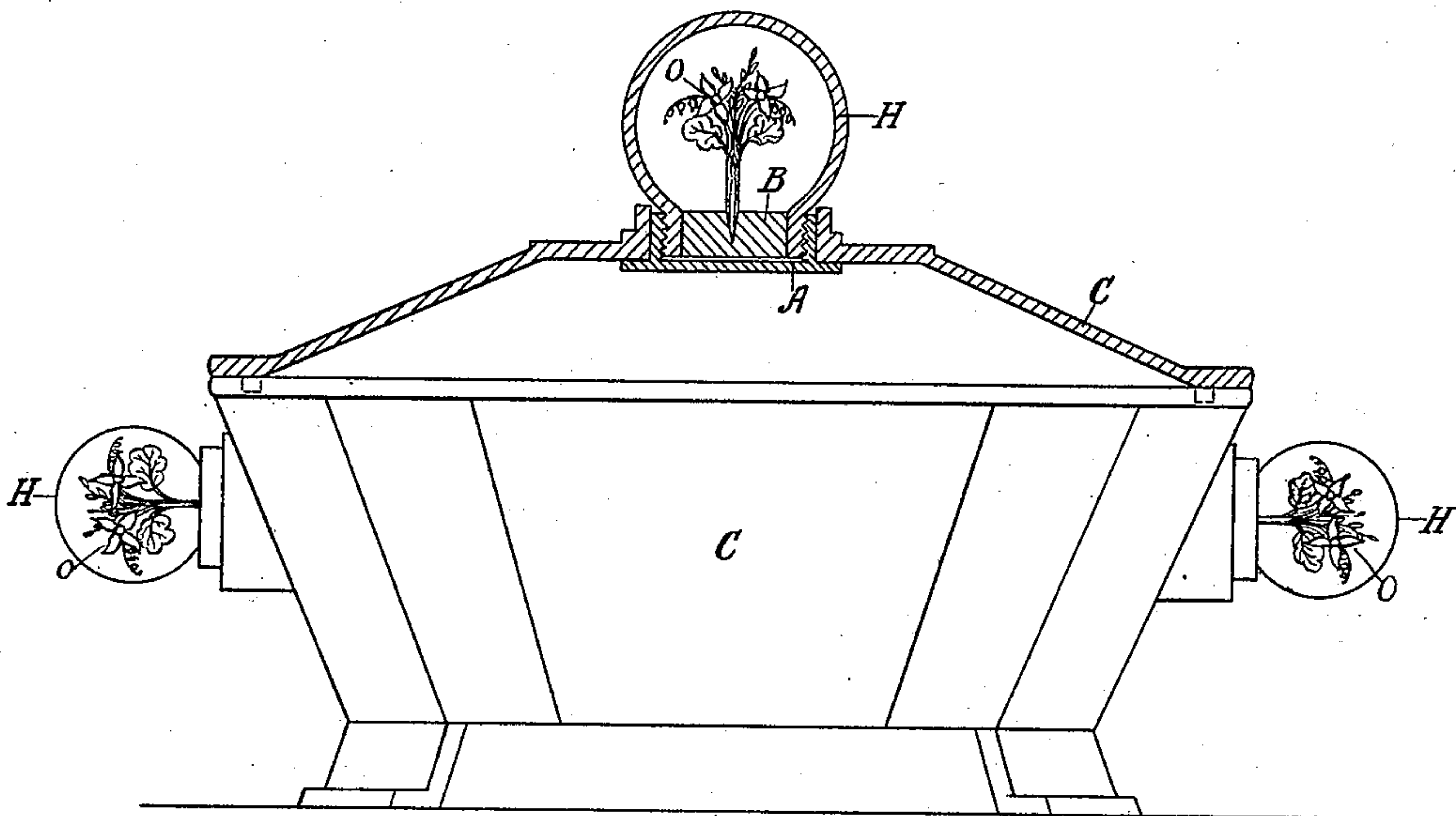


Fig. 2.

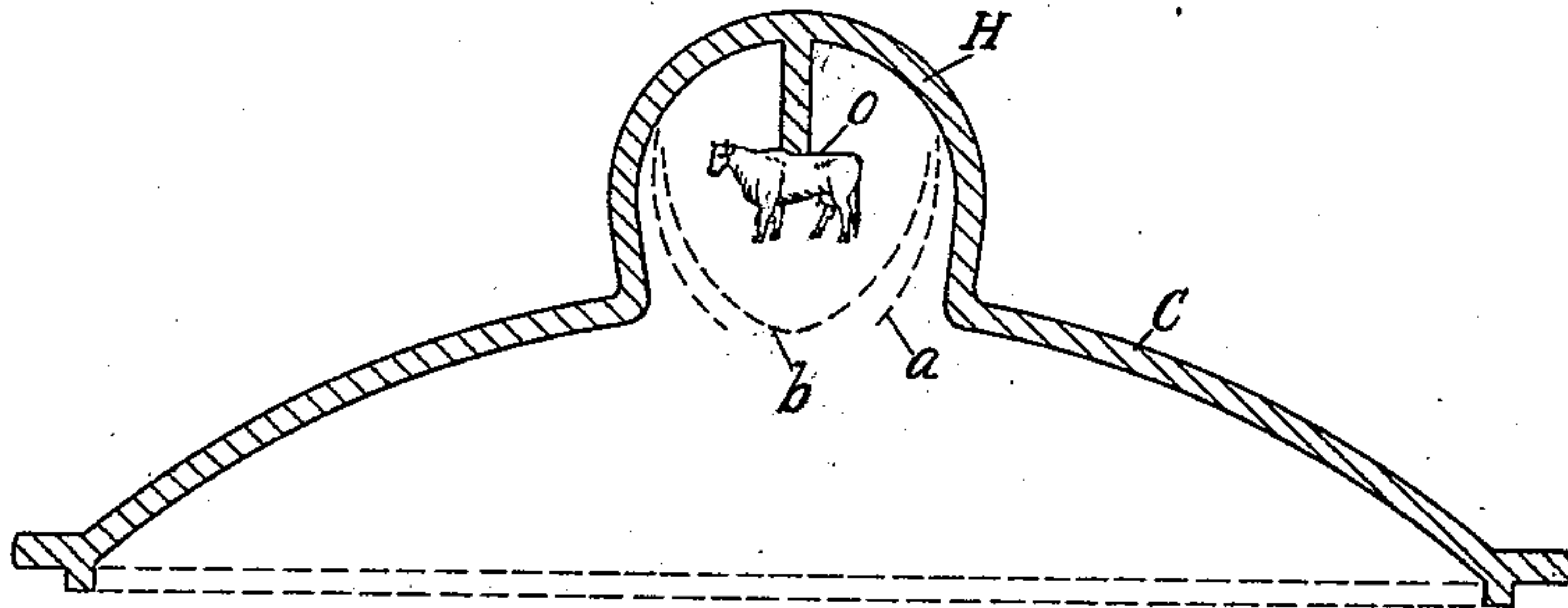


Fig. 1.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN S. DIGNAM, a subject of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, residing in the city of London, Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada, have invented a new Style of Ornamenting the Handles of Articles of Glassware, of which the following is a true and exact description.

My invention relates to that class of dishes, irrespective of for what use they are intended, that are made of glass or that have glass cover knobs or handles; and it consists in forming the cover knobs and handles of said dishes hollow, so that they can be beautified in the different ways hereinafter described, and also in making the said handles and cover knobs detachable, so they can be readily removed for shipment or replaced by others in case of breakage.

Figure 1 is a cross-section of cover and knob. The cover C and knob H are here made in one piece. Fig. 2 is a cross-section of the cover C and knob H, made separately and connected by a metal coupling, A, also showing the removable disk B, which holds the decoration O in place, and also prevents moisture, &c., from entering the knob. In this figure is also shown a dish with handles made and decorated as described.

The decoration O may be an independent article of any suitable design or material, as shown in Fig. 2, or it may consist in painting or decorating the inner surface of the knob or handle in any of the well-known methods used for such purposes, and in either case the knob or handle should be closed to exclude moisture, &c.

If the article is made in one piece, as in Fig. 1, the decoration may consist in a figure or

pattern pressed on the inside of the handle. If a figure is chosen, as in Fig. 1, it may be made in one piece with the knob or handle, or in a separate mold and stuck to the inner surface, and the opening to the knob can then be closed, as shown by the lines *b*; but if any decoration is used other than what can be put in in course of manufacture the opening would be only partly closed, as shown by the lines *a*, but the opening thus left would be entirely closed by the disk B after the decoration had been completed.

I am aware that heretofore knobs for doors have been made hollow and decorated internally; and I do not claim such as my invention.

Although a particular article is shown and a way of fastening the knob or handle to the article, I do not wish to limit myself to these; but

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A dish or cover having hollow transparent glass handles or cover knobs adapted to receive and display an internal decoration.

2. A dish or cover having hollow handles or cover knobs formed of glass or like substance, and decorated on the inner surface.

3. A dish or cover having hollow handles or cover knobs formed of glass or similar material and containing an ornamental article.

4. A hollow transparent handle or cover knob adapted to receive and display an internal decoration to be attached to the dish or cover in such a way as to be readily removed.

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