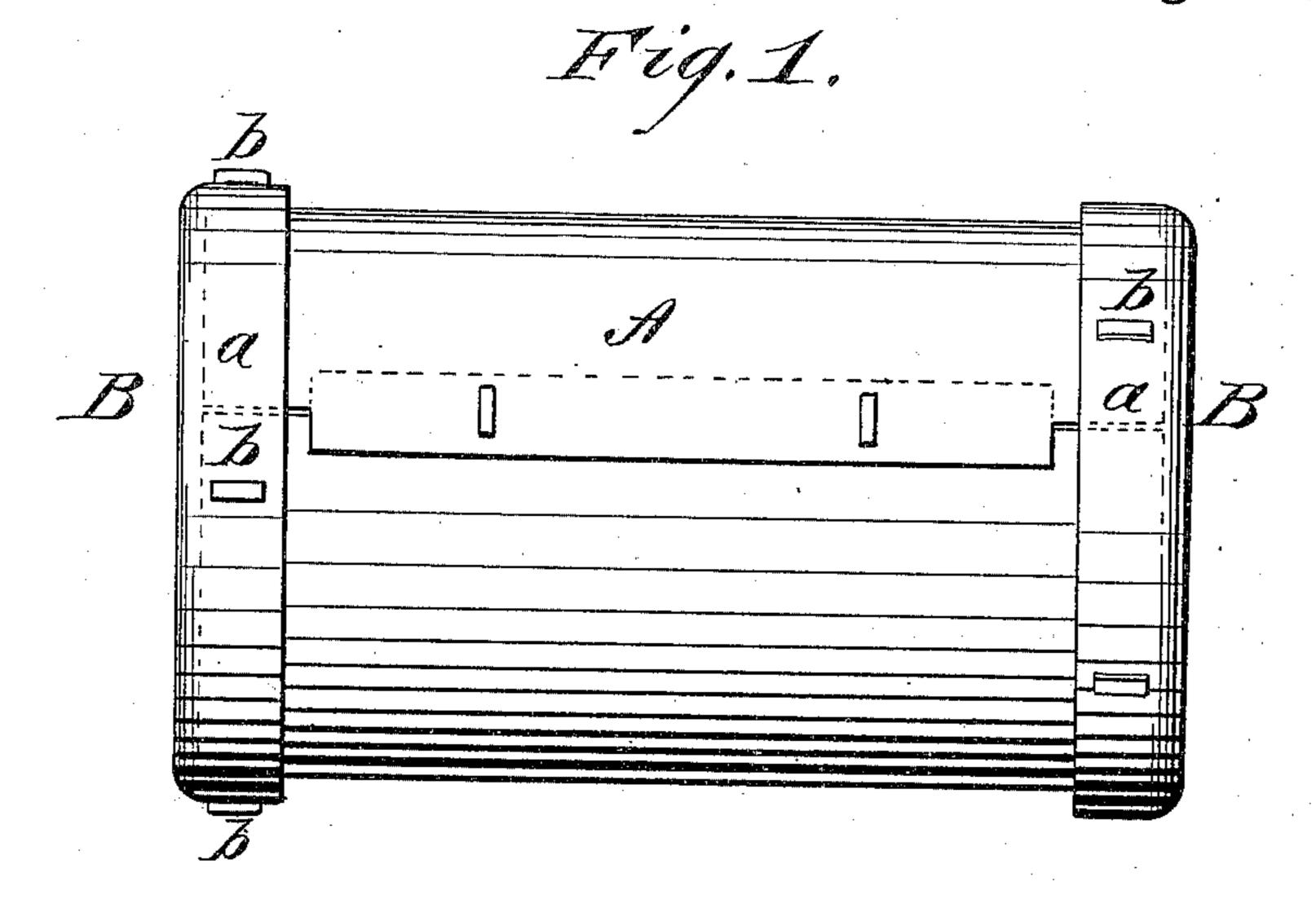
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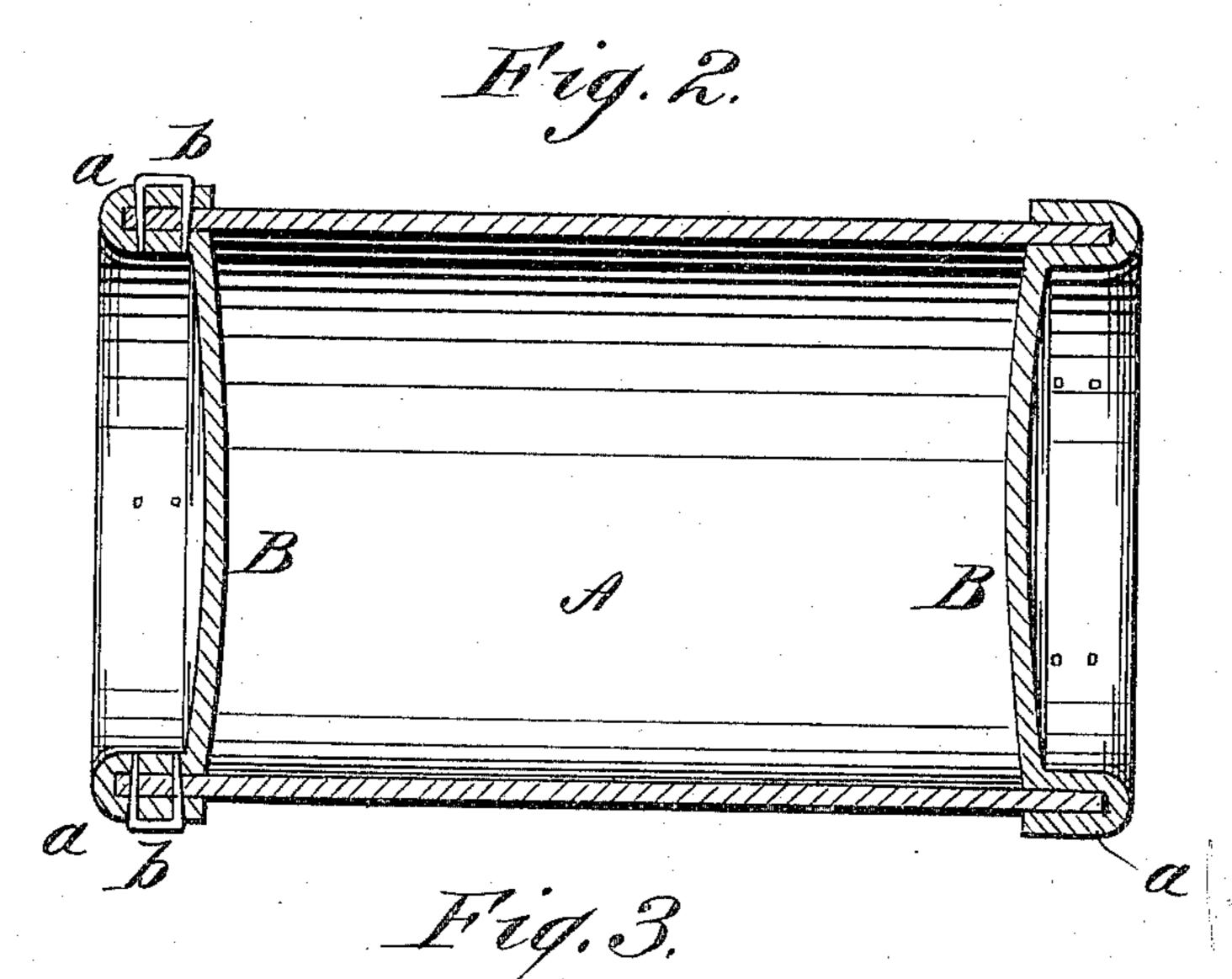
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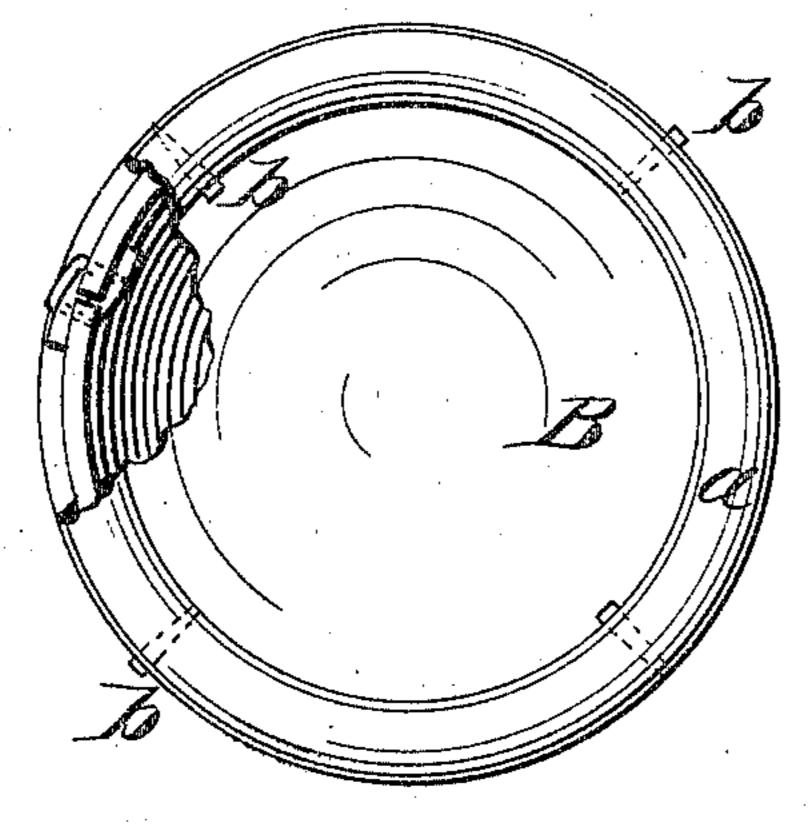
PAPER KEG OR CASK.

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PAPER KEG OR CASK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Charles H. Wickersham, of Pottstown, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and Improved Paper Keg or Cask, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention consists in a packing keg or cask formed of paper, and constructed as hereinafter described and claimed, such cask being adapted for containing nails or other merchandise.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a side elevation. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional elevation, and Fig. 3 an end view of the keg partially broken.

The main portion A of the cask or keg consists of a cylindrical shell, and to this are attached two dished and flanged heads, B, both the shell and the heads being made of heavy paperboard. To form the shell, the sheet of board 25 is notched at the corners, so that when rolled up and the lapped portion fastened by staples, as shown, there is but a single thickness at the ends, where the heads slip on. The heads B are made with the folded flanges a_i 30 so as to slip over the ends of the shell and protect the edges of the latter, and at the same time the flanges form a chine, by which the keg may be easily handled. At the inner side of the shell the heads B are formed to fit the 35 shell closely. The heads are secured to the

shell by means of iron or wire staples b, which should be of such a length as to pass through the shell and both the inside and the outside flanges of the head without the point coming through the surface. These staples b may be 40 driven either way or both ways alternately, as desired. When driven from the outside, the frequent rolling of the keg, as is the case with nail-kegs, will aid in keeping the staples securely in their places, and when driven from 45 the inside the heads of the staples give additional strength to the heads of the keg. It is to be observed that the staples pass through three thicknesses of paper, thus making a very secure fastening, and at the same time, the 50 weight being divided upon the staples, it is impossible for them to be torn out by any downward pressure that the paper will stand.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—55

The paper keg or cask herein described, the same consisting of the shell A, formed of a sheet of board, notched at its four corners, and bent into cylindrical form, the longitudinal sides of the notches resting against each 60 other, and the portions of the edges of the board between the said notches being overlapped and secured together, and end caps, B, fitting over the ends of the cylinder, substantially as set forth.

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