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Fig. 1

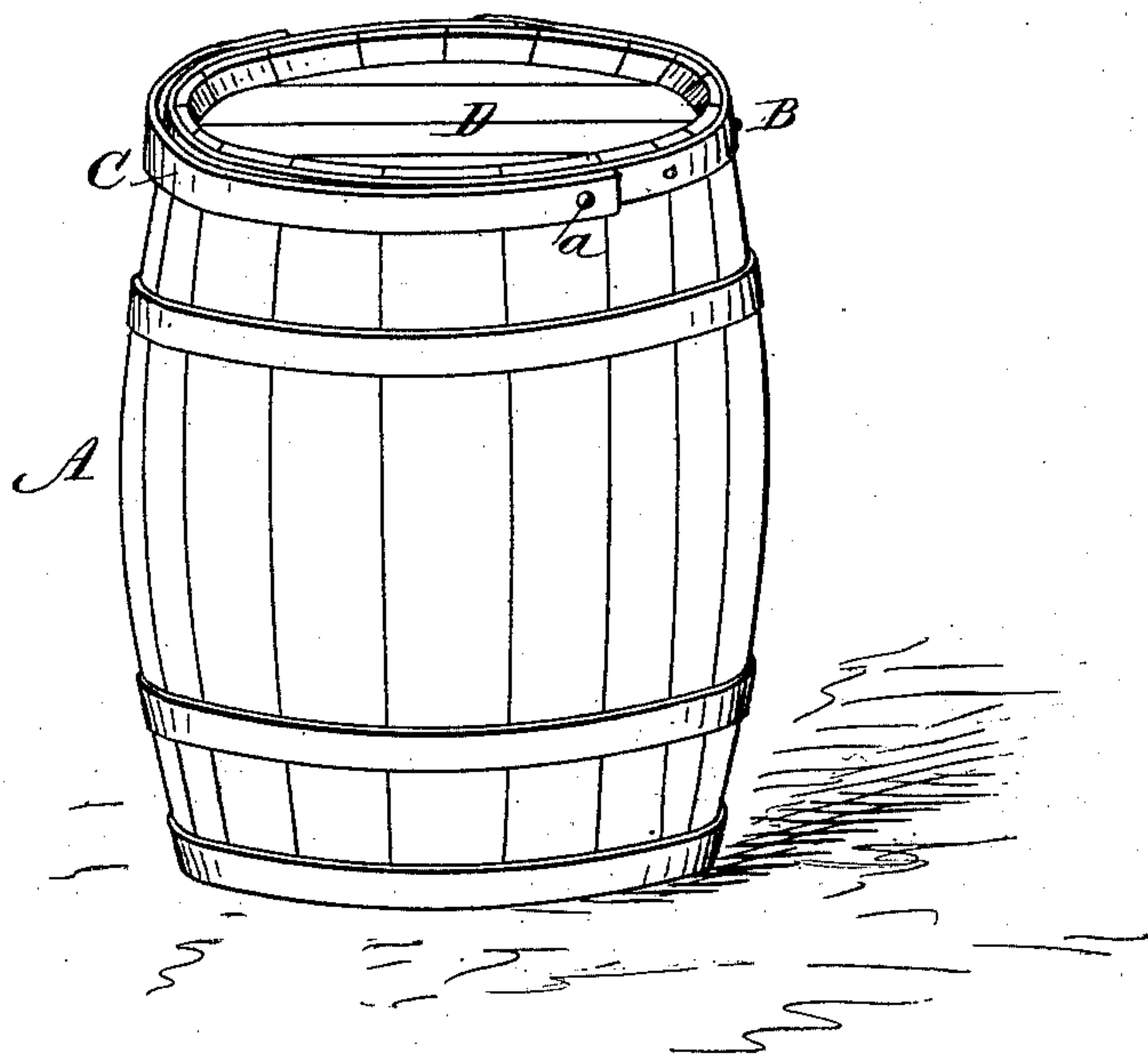
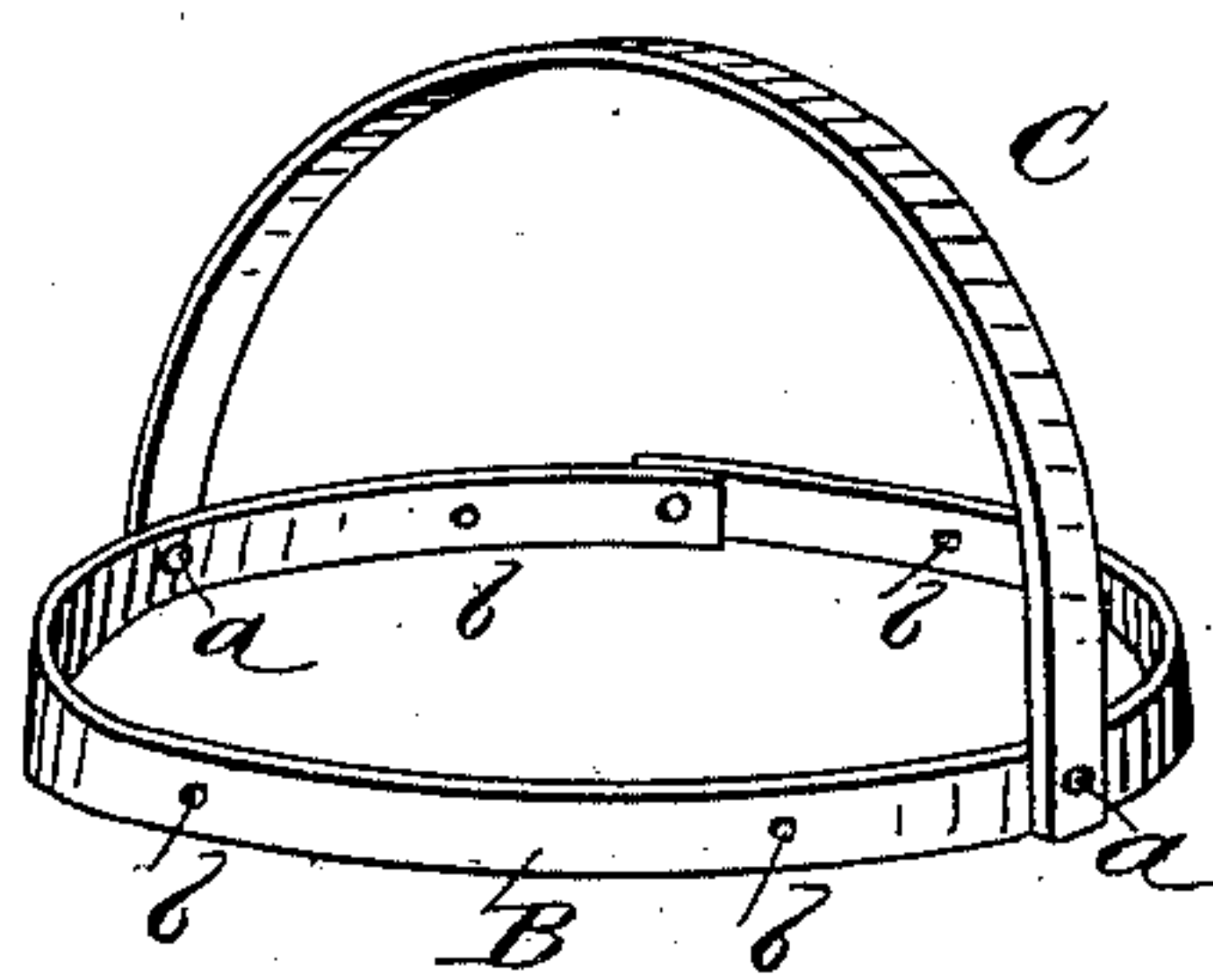


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN H. SCHEEL, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Convertible
5 Keg, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a combined hoop and bail for kegs; and it consists in the peculiar construction and arrangement of parts, as here-
10 inafter fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the combined hoop and bail removed.

The keg A is of ordinary bilged form and
20 hooped in any ordinary manner, except at the head end, where it is provided with the hoop B, which has hinged to it a bail, C. The hoop B and bail C are both of sheet-iron, and the bail is pivoted to the hoop by the pins *aa*. The inner
25 radius of the bail C from the center of the line connecting the pivots is the same or slightly less than the larger exterior radius of the hoop B, so that it can only fall to the level of and rest against the middle or lower portion of the
30 hoop. When the hoop A is applied to the

keg, the bail may be folded to one side, and will lie in line with the hoop, as shown in Fig. 1, and appears as part of the hoop, so that when the head D is in place the keg will have the usual appearance as though without a
35 bail.

To remove the head D, the hoop B and perhaps the hoop below it will have to be removed. The head being removed, the hoop B will be replaced upon the end of the keg and
40 secured by rivets passed through the orifices *b b* made therein, so by means of the bail C, the keg may be used as a bucket or pail. By this means the small butter and other packages
45 which are now destroyed after the contents are removed may be utilized and made to serve useful purposes.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a combined hoop and bail consisting of a hoop provided with a pivoted bail having substantially the same inner radius, from the center of the line connecting the pivots as the larger
55 exterior radius of the hoop, as set forth.

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