

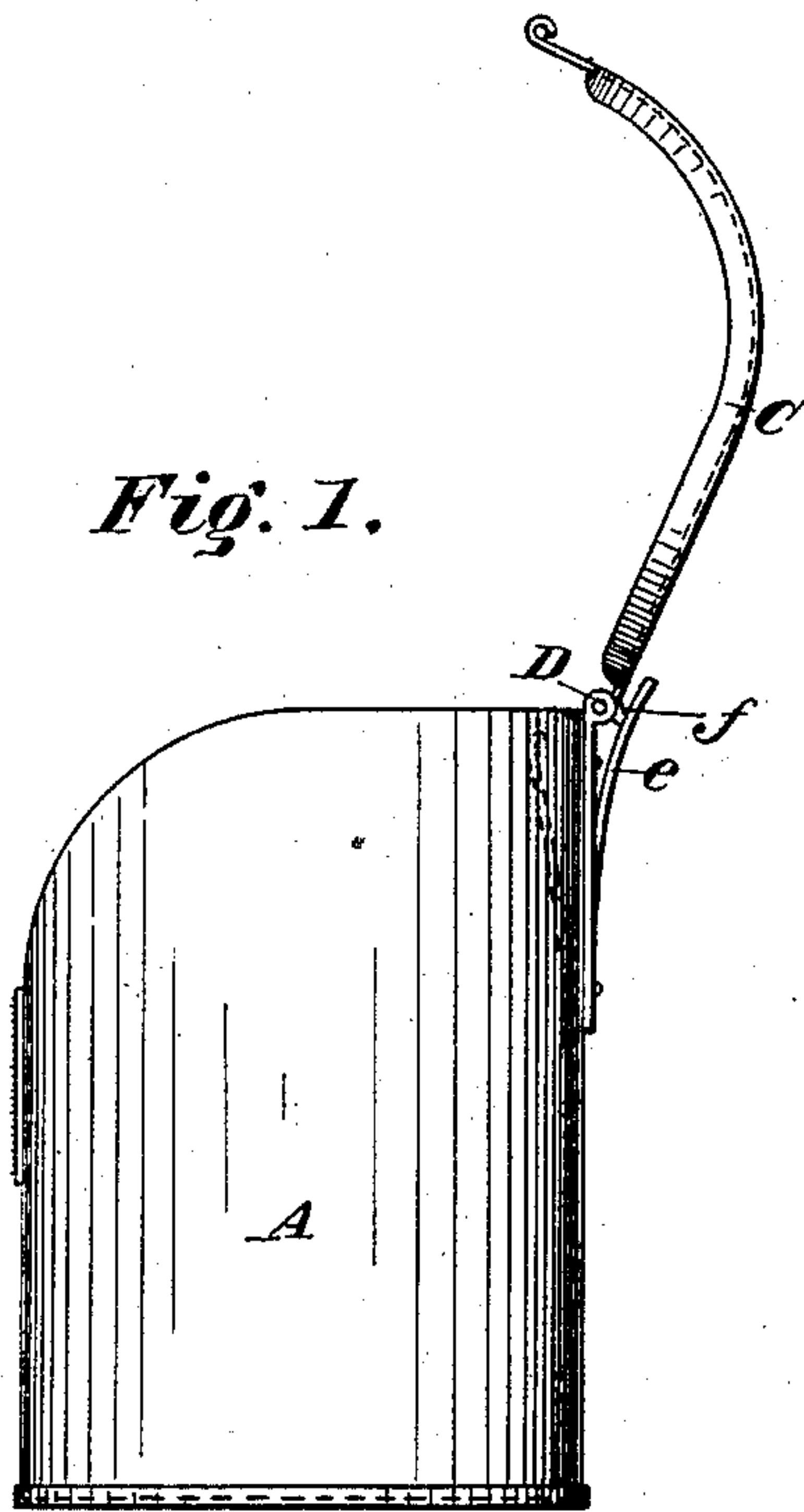
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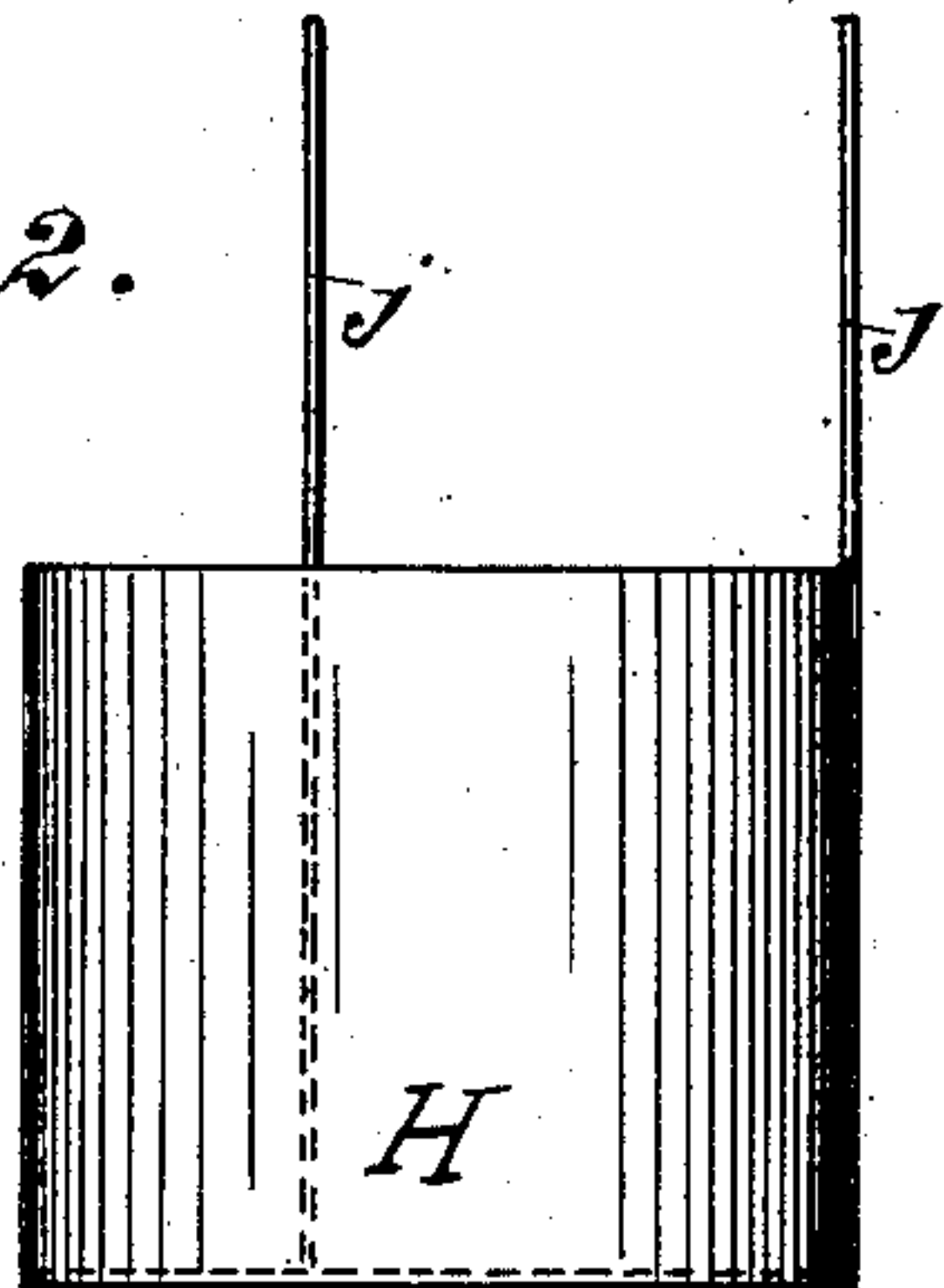
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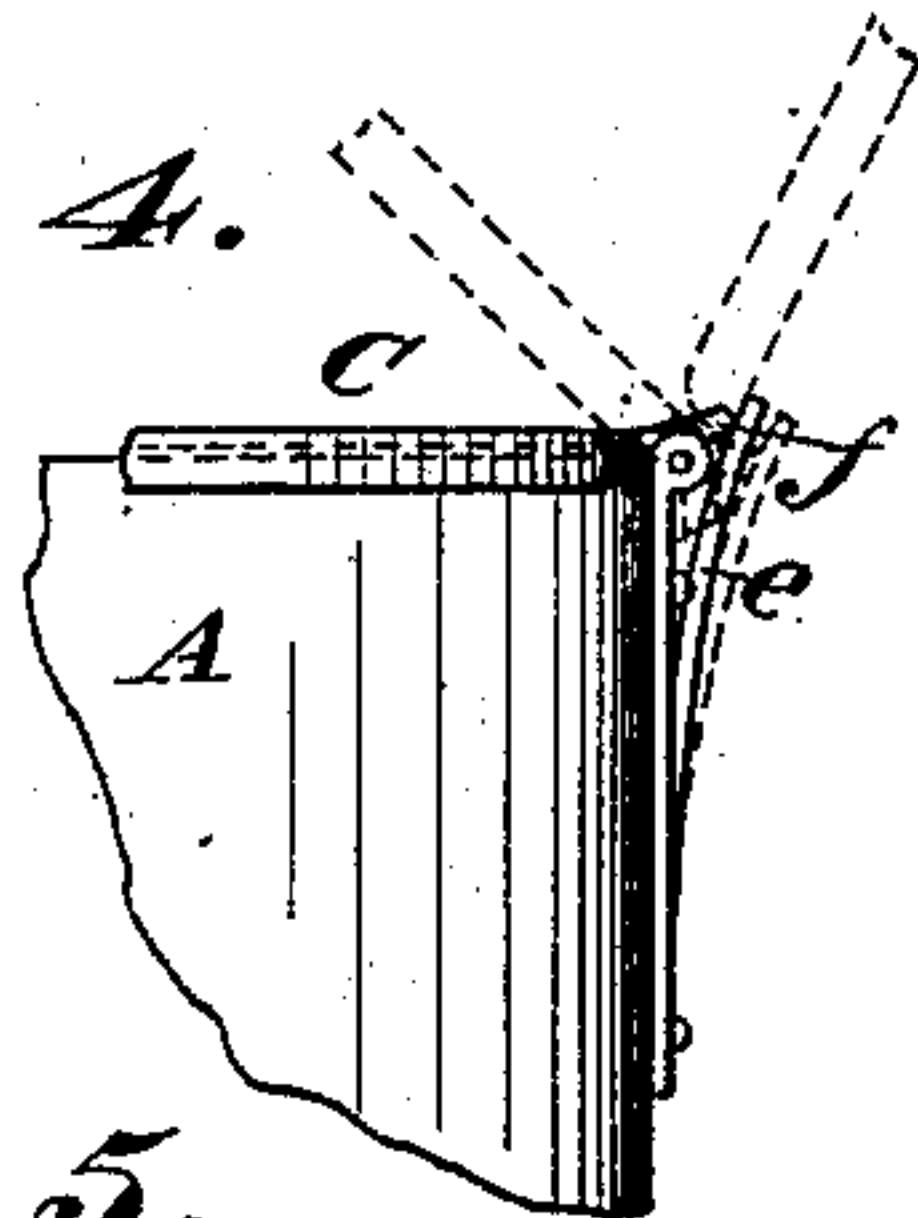
*Fig. 1.*



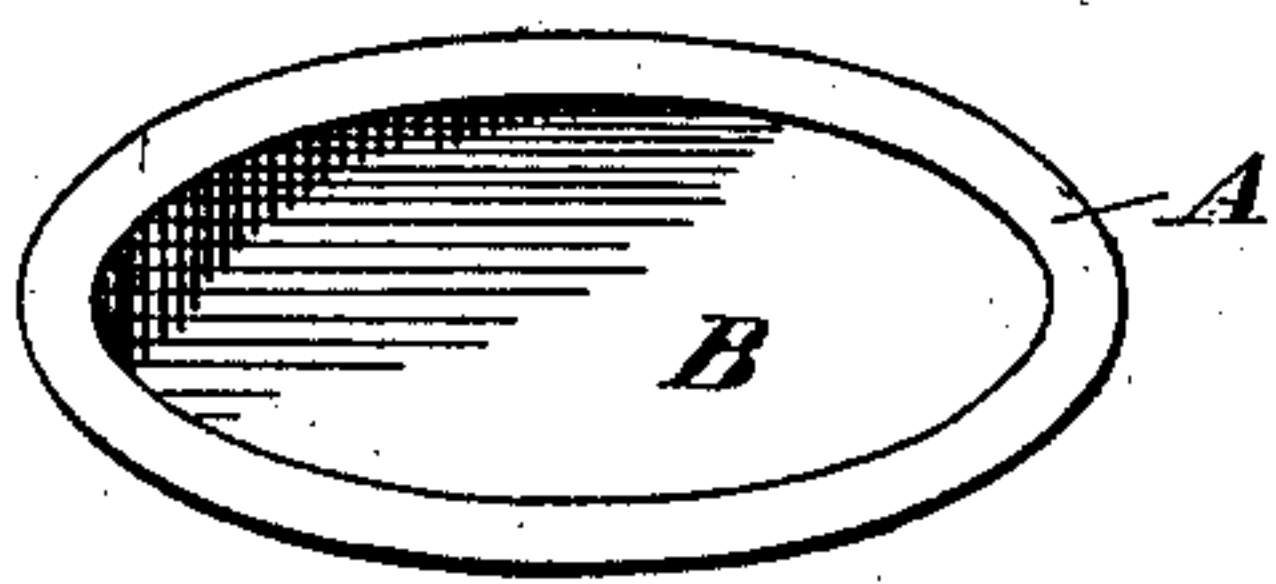
*Fig. 2.*



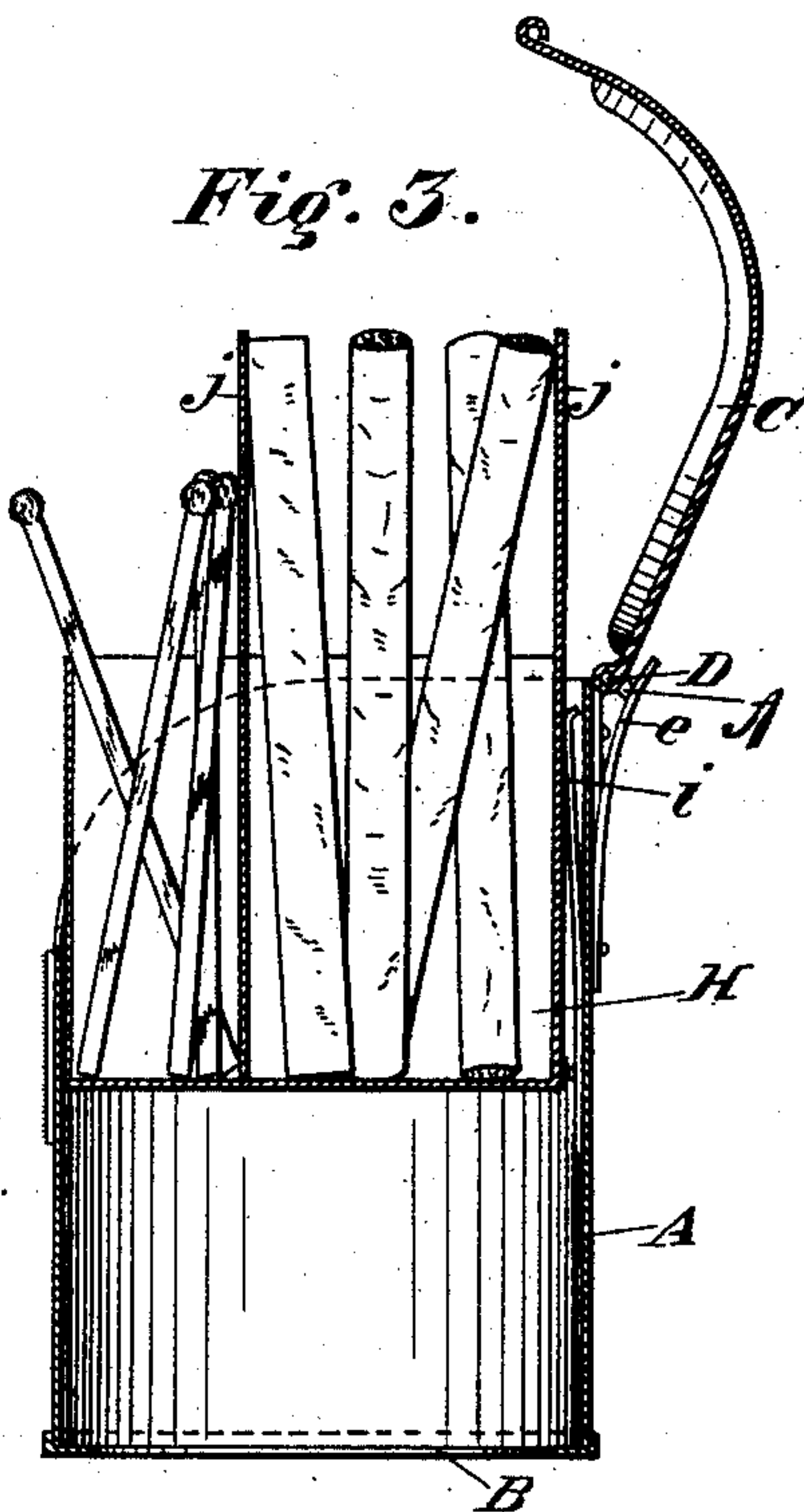
*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## MATCH AND CIGARETTE BOX.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SARAH N. RANDOLPH, of the city of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful  
5 Improvements in Combined Match and Cigarette Boxes, of which the following is a full and complete specification.

My invention consists in a combined match and cigarette box, in which matches and cigarettes can be conveniently carried, and which  
10 can by a simple motion of the finger be opened or closed, so as to expose the matches and cigarettes to view in a convenient position for use.

15 The chief feature of my invention consists of the partition which divides the interior case, the top of which rests immediately below the lid, so that when the interior case is pushed up from below, this partition will rise  
20 and open the lid of the box.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the exterior case; Fig. 2, a side elevation of the interior box; Fig. 3, a sectional elevation of the two boxes, one inside of the other, the  
25 interior one raised up, and the matches and cigarettes in it and in position to be taken out. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of the front of the exterior case, showing hinge of top and spring for holding it open and shut. Fig. 5  
30 is a view of the bottom of the exterior box, showing the hole.

In the drawings, A is the exterior box or case, made of any suitable material, and of a proper size to hold cigarettes. It is provided  
35 with a hole, B, in the bottom, and a lid, C, hinged at D. This hinge is provided with a spring, e, and so constructed that when the lid is closed it will keep it so, and when open the spring will maintain it in that position. The  
40 construction consists of providing the lid part of the hinge with the lug f, which rests against the flat spring e. The angle on which this lug is placed will, as seen from the drawings, cause the spring to press the lid down when it is  
45 closed, and when open the spring will press the lid in the opposite direction and keep it open.

H is the interior box or case, made of about

half the height of the outer one, and of a size to enter easily into the interior of the outside  
50 case. It is divided by partitions j j, one at least of which is as high as the outside case.

A spring, i, if desired, is placed on the interior to the outside case, which presses upon and holds the interior one at any elevation de-  
55 sired.

When it is desired to open the case to remove a match or cigarette, the index-finger of either hand is placed on the bottom of the inside case through the hole B in the outside  
60 one, and by pushing it up the inside case is raised. When pressure is applied to this inside case to raise it, the upright divisions j j will be pressed against the inside of the lid C, and will raise it against the action of the hinge-  
65 spring e until the lug f has passed a position perpendicular to the spring, when the pressure of the spring will cause the lid to fly open to its extreme position, when the cigarettes will be exposed to view. When the finger is with-  
70 drawn, the interior box will fall back, or can be pushed back, into the outside case and the lid closed, and when so closed will be held to by the spring.

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

1. In a match and cigarette case, the combination of an exterior with an interior case, the latter arranged to be raised out of the  
80 former by pressure applied through a hole in the bottom of exterior case, and provided with a partition the top of which is raised above the sides and serves to open the lid when pushed up, as well as divide the case, substan-  
85 tially as described.

2. In a match and cigarette case, the combination of an exterior with an interior case, the latter provided with a partition the top of which is raised above the sides of the in-  
90 terior case to the level of the sides of the exterior case, as and for the purpose specified.

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