

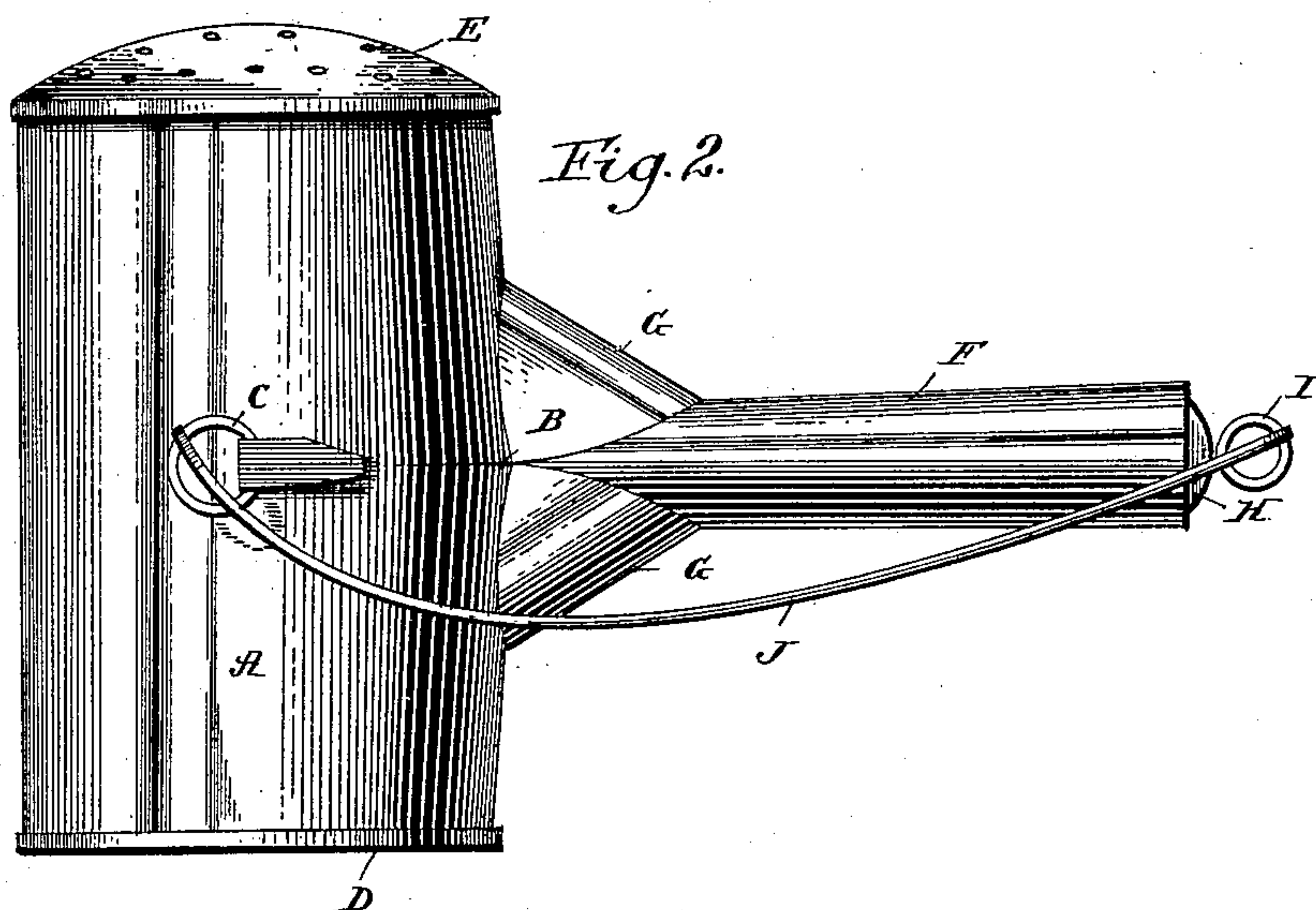
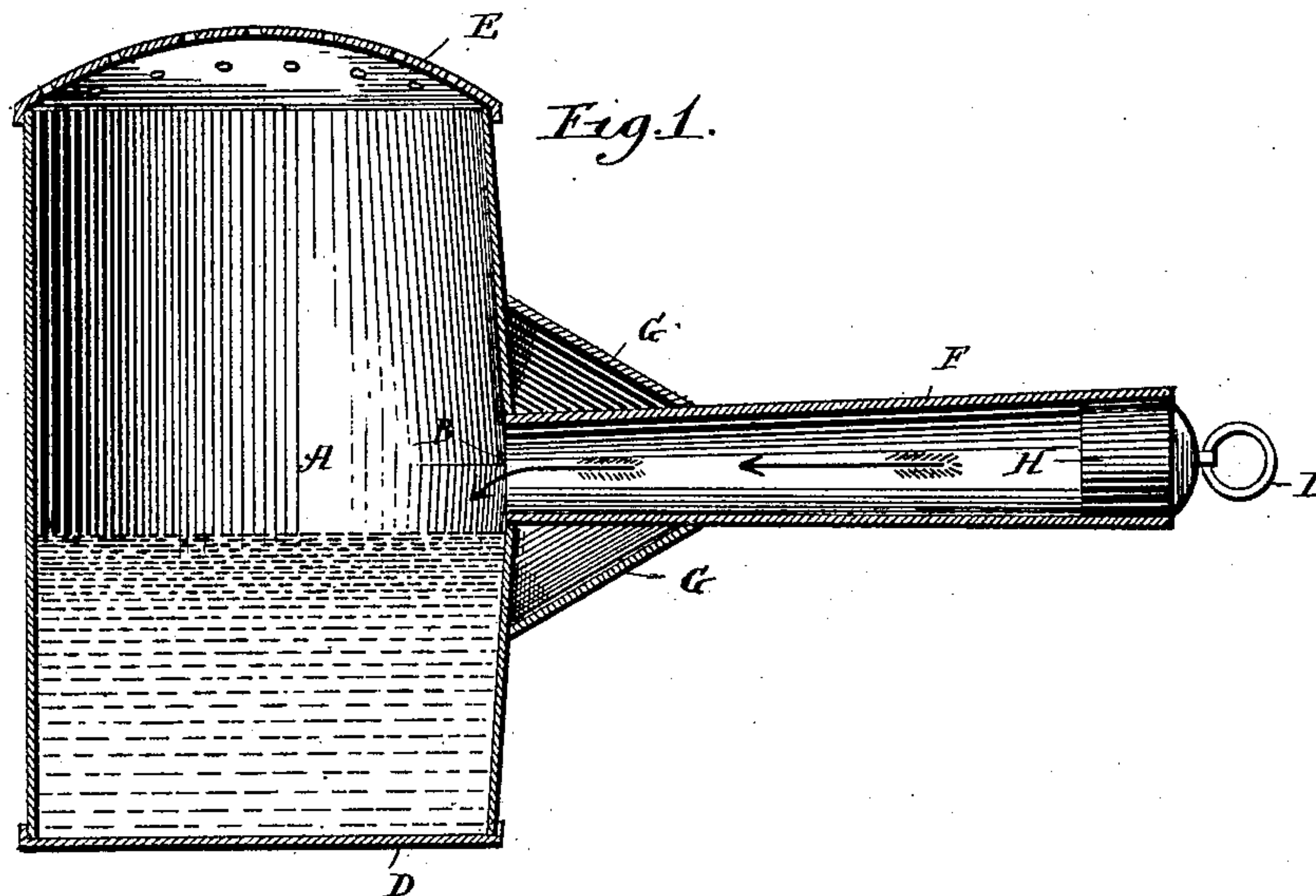
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CLOTHES SPRINKLER.

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CLOTHES-SPRINKLER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM BARTHOLOMEW, a citizen of the United States, residing at Springfield, in the county of Clark and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Clothes-Sprinklers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to an improved article of manufacture, consisting of a clothes-sprinkler; and the object in view is to construct a device with simplicity and cheapness and durability, the peculiarities of which will hereinafter appear.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and on which similar letters of reference indicate the same or corresponding features, Figure 1 represents a vertical sectional view of my improved sprinkler, and Fig. 2 a side elevation of the same.

The letter A designates a cylindrical body constructed of tin or other sheet metal, and having that portion next to the handle bulged outwardly, as shown at B, the object being to cause all of the water which remains in the body after using it to entirely run out of the body and into and out of the handle, the plug therein (to be hereinafter described) being removed, and the body being hung upon a handle or other support by means of the ring C. (Shown in Fig. 2.)

The bulge in the body produces inclines when the body is hung up, and hence the water will entirely run from the body, and not remain in it and cause rust and resulting leakage.

At its respective ends the body is provided with a bottom, D, and a top, E, the latter being perforated, as shown, and being, by preference, of concave interior, whereby the water is caused to escape when the top E is turned

down toward the clothes and the sprinkler violently shaken back and forth. The top and bottom are secured by solder or otherwise.

The letter F refers to a tubular or hollow handle, which is fitted to the bulged portion of the body, and which is surrounded near that end by braces G, which flare outwardly from the handle and are united with the body.

A plug, H, of india-rubber or other suitable material, is fitted snugly to the outer end of the handle, and is provided with a ring, I, to which a wire or cord, J, is secured, the other end being secured to the ring C.

The device is supplied with water through the handle, and the plug is then inserted. When the sprinkler is hung up, the plug is removed and the remaining water trickles out until the interior becomes perfectly dry, a cord, J, serving to prevent loss of the plug.

As a domestic article I have found this sprinkler to be very useful and convenient.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a clothes-sprinkler consisting of a body one side of which is bulged outwardly and having an imperforate bottom and a concave perforated top, a hollow handle communicating with the interior of the body and having a plug, braces secured to the handle and to the body, and a hanging-up ring secured to the body and connected to the plug by a cord.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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