

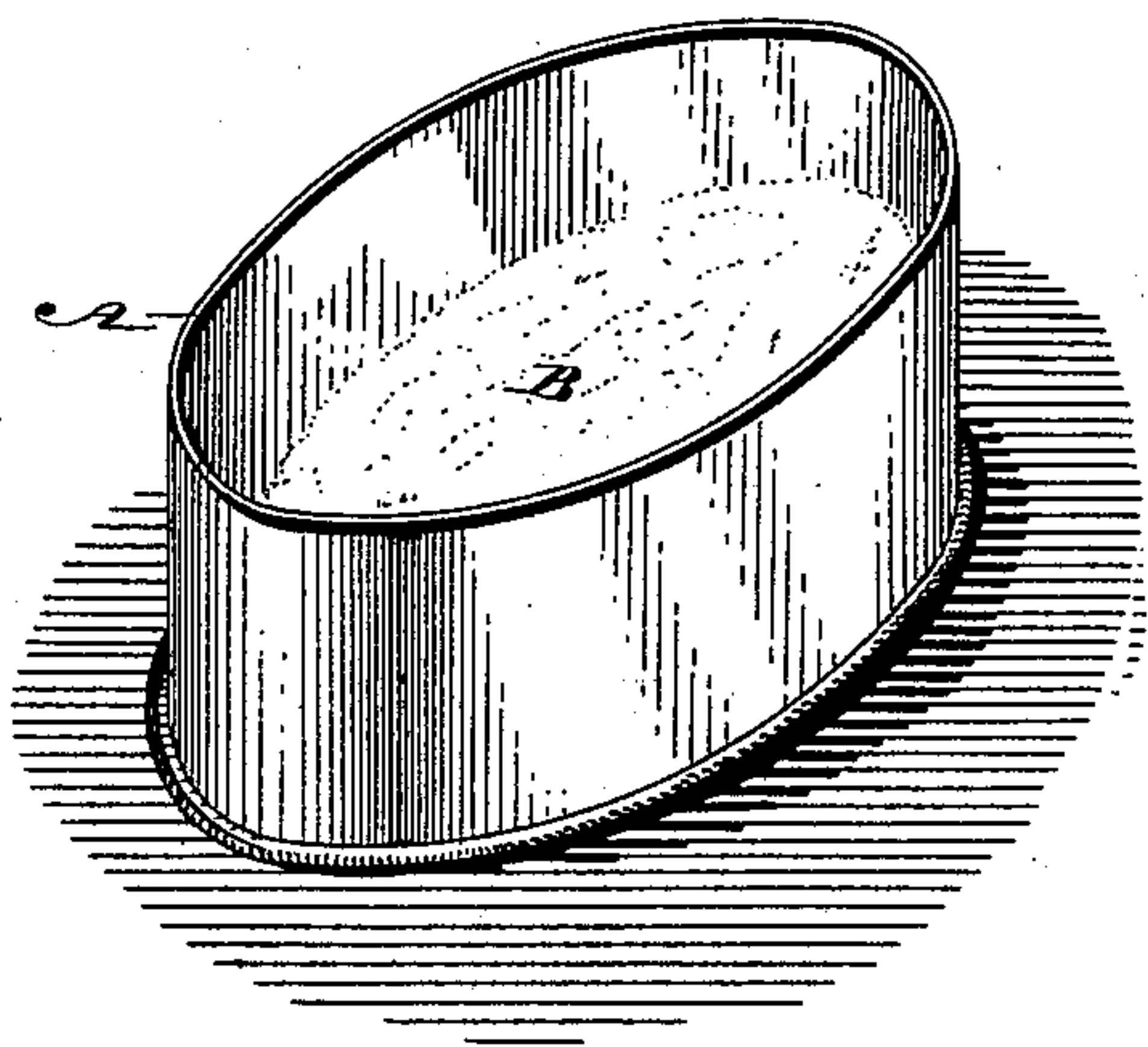
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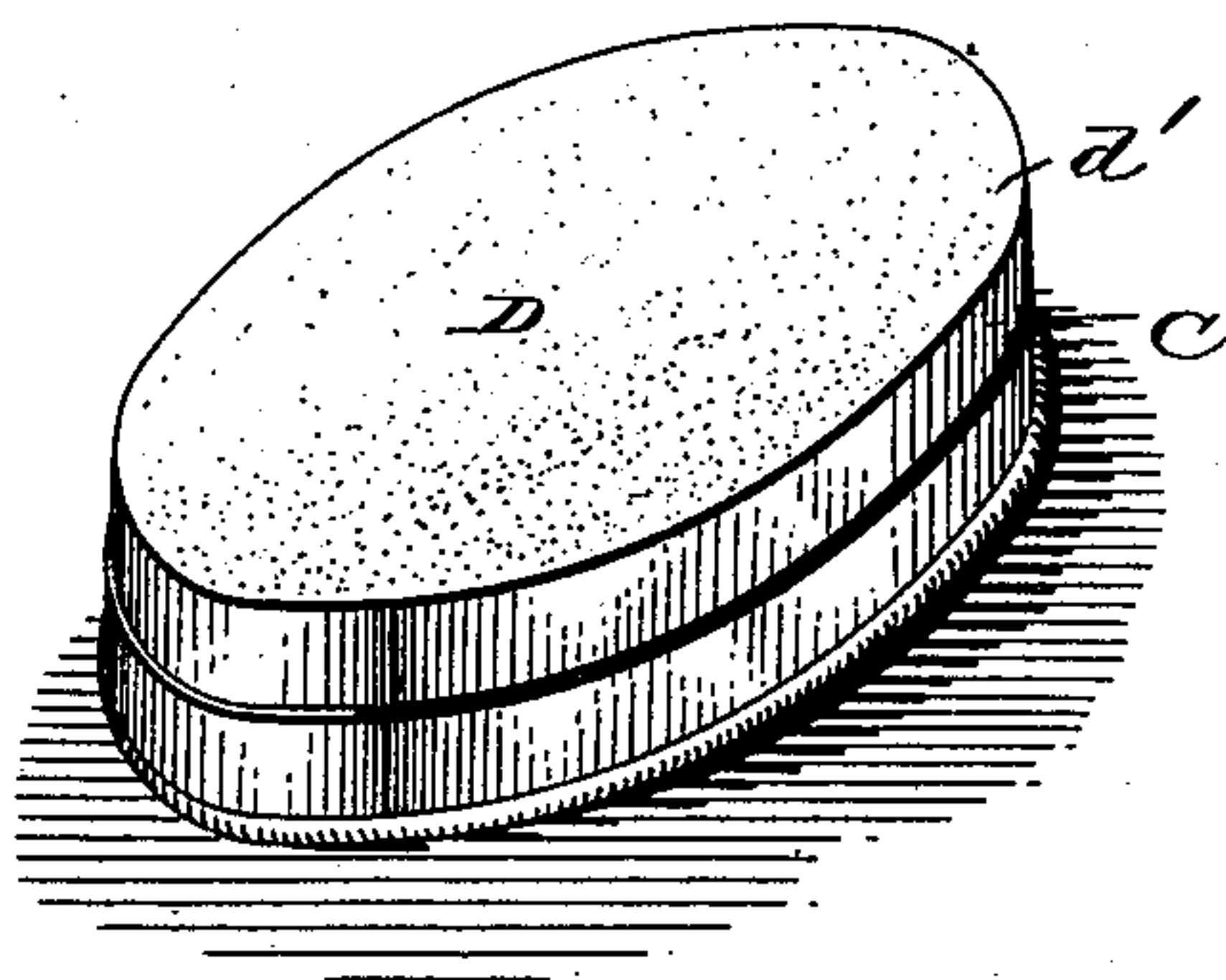
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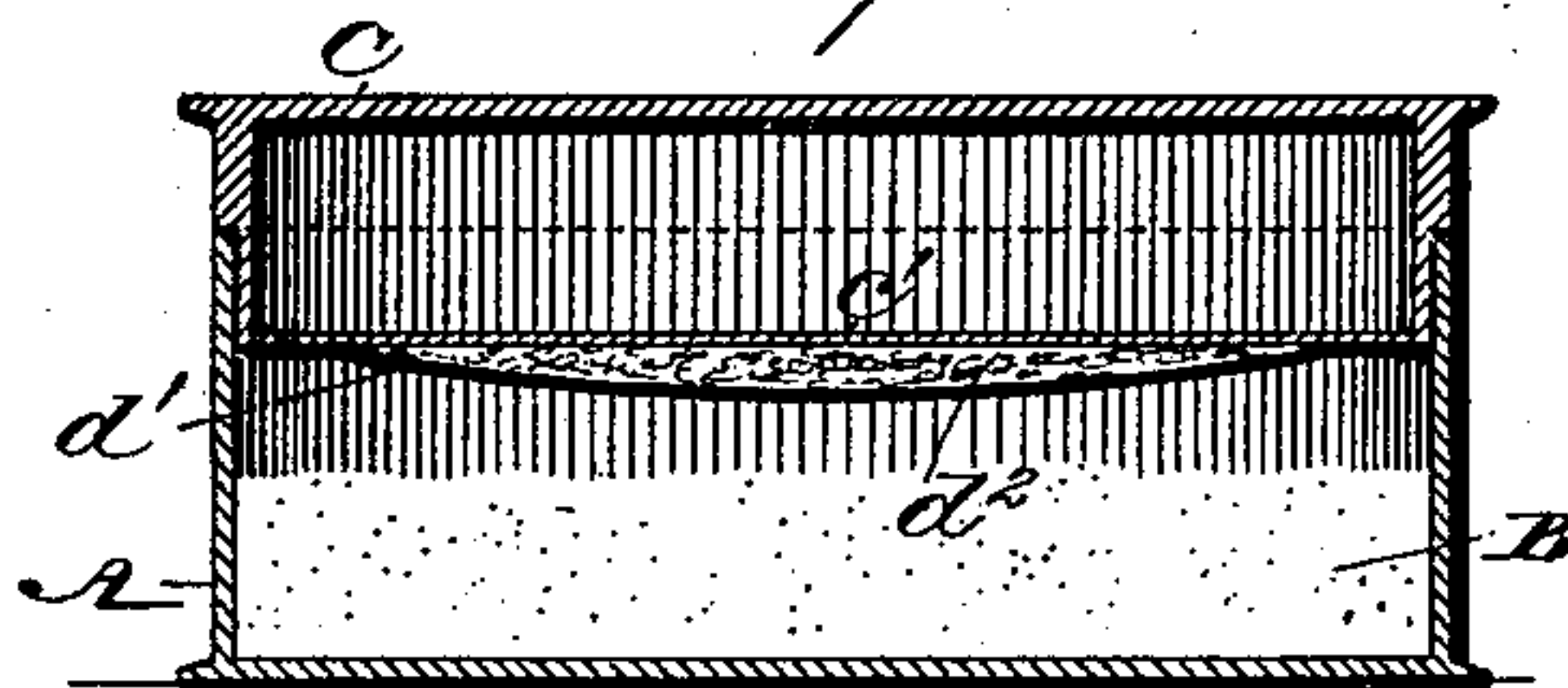
*Fig. 1.*



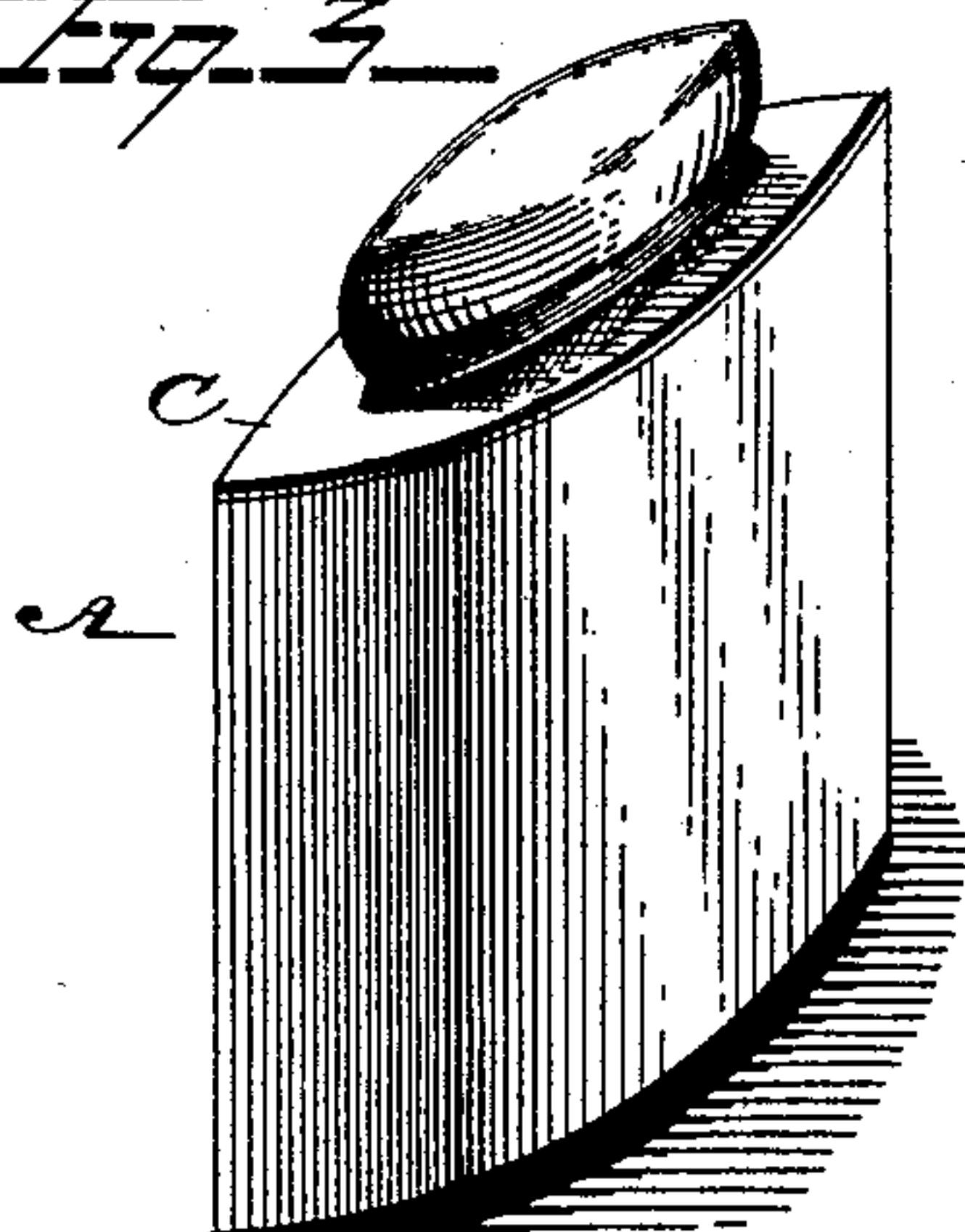
*Fig. 1a.*



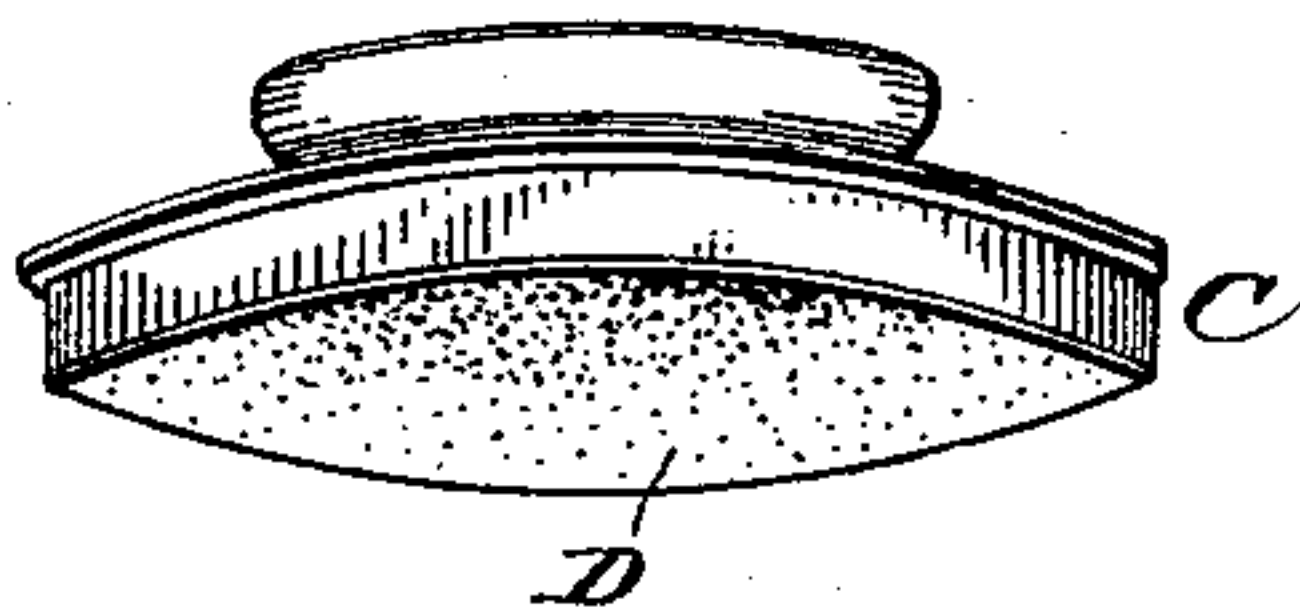
*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



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## POWDER-BOX.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JONAS E. ROEDER, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Powder-Boxes, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figures 1 and 1<sup>a</sup> are separate views of the body of the box and its lid, respectively. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal vertical section through the closed box. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of another form of box in which the invention is embodied. Fig. 4 shows its lid or cover detached.

My invention relates to an improvement in boxes for holding toilet and other powders; and it consists in providing the lid of the box with chamois or other soft material, whereby the lid may be used to apply the powder, in lieu of the separate puff, rag, &c., heretofore employed. The latter, as is well known, is objectionable for various reasons—among others, in that it is inconvenient and unpleasant, being very apt while being used to unnecessarily dust or spill the powder over the user and surroundings. To remedy these objections is the design of my invention, the preferred form of which is shown in the annexed drawings, wherein—

A represents the body of the box; C, its lid or cover, and D the pad. The latter is usually composed of a piece of chamois-skin *d'*, which is cemented or otherwise suitably secured to the bottom of the lid, an interposed filling *d*<sup>2</sup>, of cotton or other material, being advantageously used. As a means to enable this pad to be securely and readily attached to the lid, I secure to the under side of the latter a cover or diaphragm *c'*, to which the edges of the chamois, &c., are cemented.

It will be seen that by inverting the box the powder B therein contained will fall upon the pad, and when the box is reverted a quantity sufficient for application will adhere to the lid. I prefer to make the lid oval or elongated in shape, as illustrated, whereby the powder may be more conveniently and effectually applied.

I remark in this connection that the pad may be disposed on the outer instead of the

inner side of the lid, but of course at some disadvantage, as in such case, among other obvious objections, in order to apply the powder to the pad it would be necessary to remove and invert the lid.

When the invention is used in conjunction with tooth or other polishing powder containing boxes, I make the lid of the box of wood or other hard material, provide the same with a suitable handle, and cement the chamois or other substance directly to the under side of the lid, the latter being preferably tapered at the ends for convenience in using. (See Figs. 3 and 4.)

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

1. The powder-box hereinbefore described, consisting of the combination, with the body portion or receptacle in which the powder is freely contained, of the lid or cover provided with the chamois or other soft material on one side thereof, so as to form a pad or puff which may be readily charged with said powder, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The powder-box hereinbefore described, consisting of the combination, with the body portion or receptacle in which the powder is freely contained, of the lid or cover provided with the chamois or other soft material on the inner side thereof, so as to form a pad or puff which may be readily charged with said powder, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. In a powder-box, the combination, with the body portion or receptacle, of the lid or cover, the diaphragm on the inner side thereof, and the chamois or other soft material secured to said diaphragm, substantially as described.

4. In a powder-box, the combination, with the body portion or receptacle, of the lid or cover, and the pad composed of chamois and cotton and secured on the inner side of said lid, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature this 14th day of January, A. D. 1889.

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