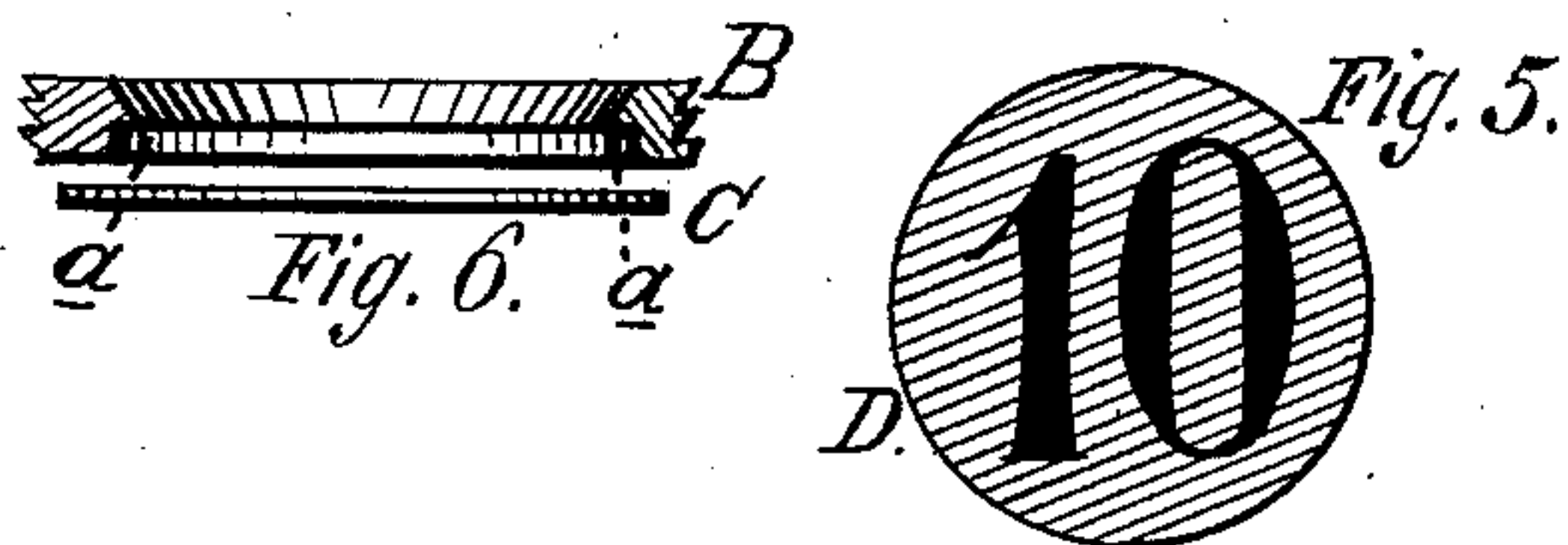
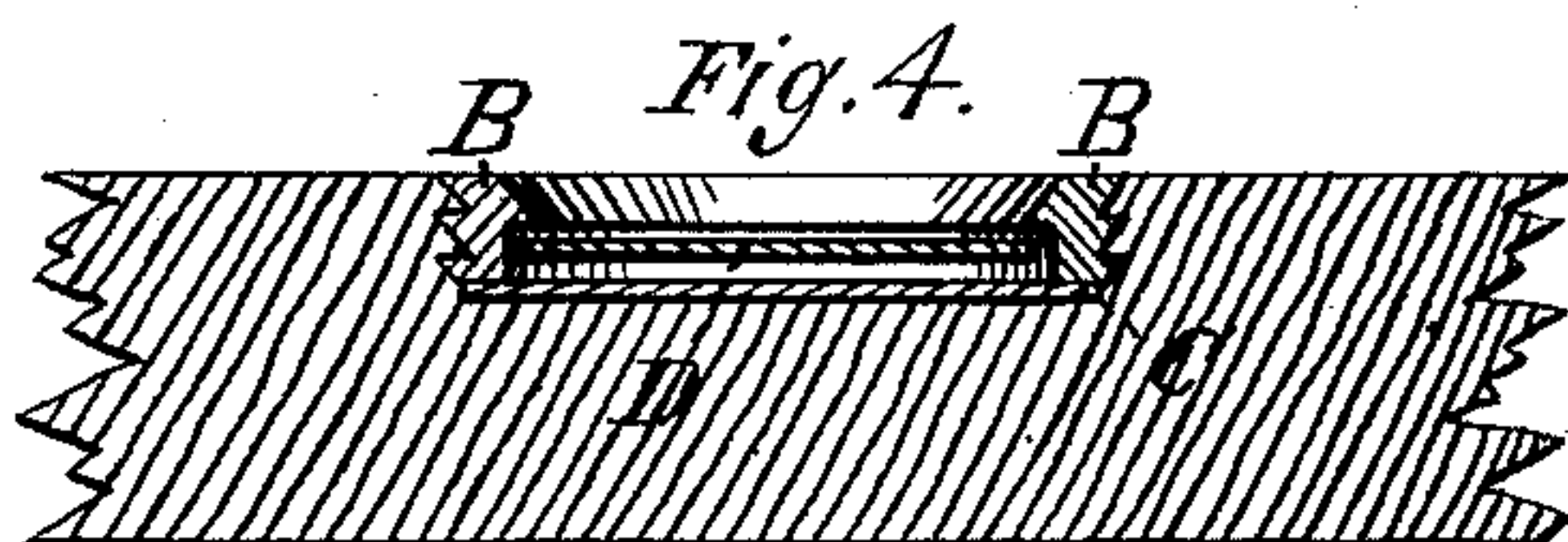
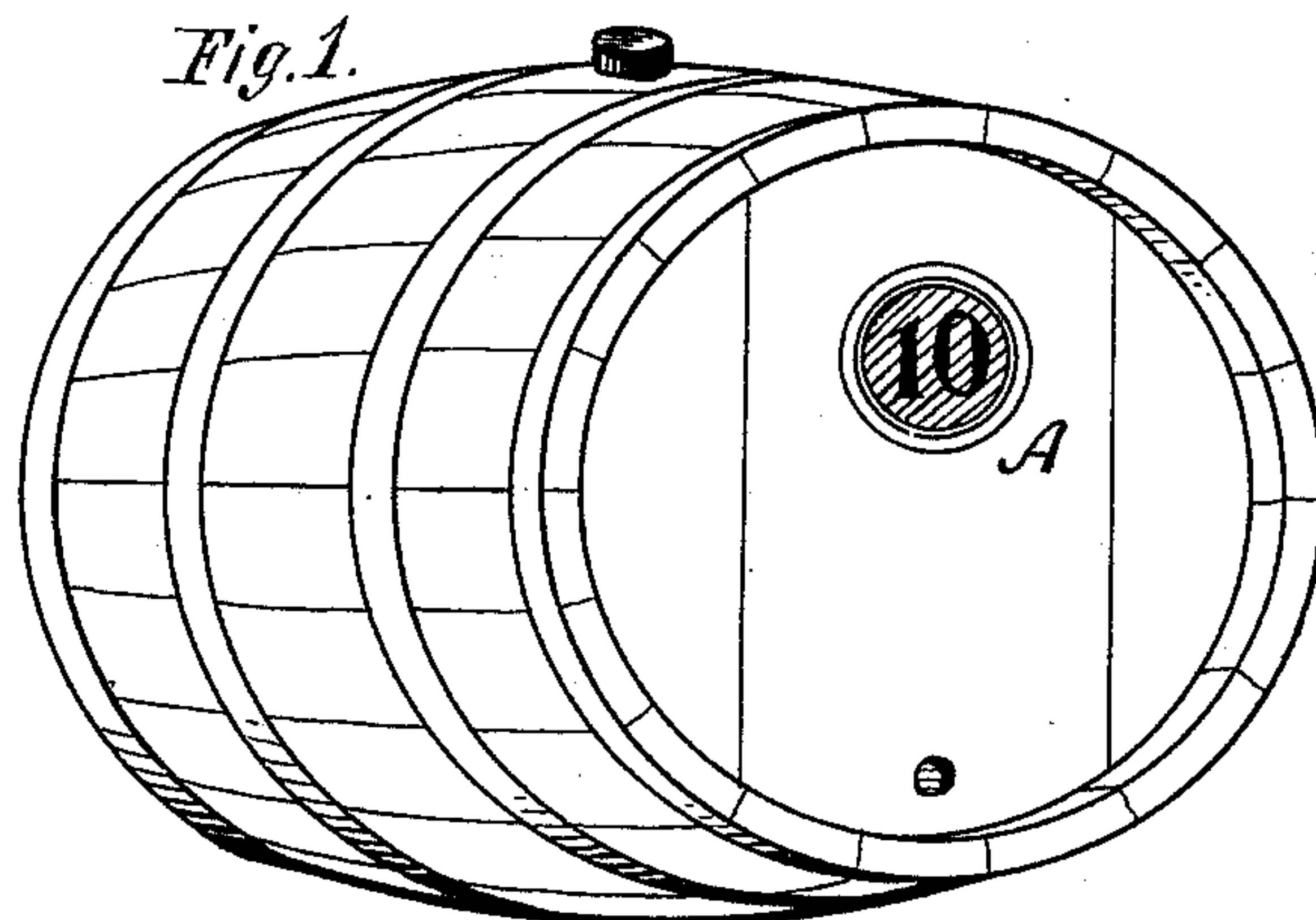


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE FRAUENBERGER, of Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Stamp and Label Protectors; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the drawings accompanying this application.

The object of my improvement is to provide an attachment that can be applied to barrels, boxes, and other packages to hold a label to indicate the parties from whom such packages are received.

It is customary in shipping beer, ale, wine, and other liquors to brand the name of the owner on the cask to insure safe return, and also to attach a label bearing the name of the party to whom the goods are shipped. This label is supposed to remain attached till the casks are returned and to indicate to the owner the parties from whom they are received. It is frequently the case that the casks returned by different parties become mixed in transit, and if the labels are lost it is difficult to make assortment or to trace the casks. Such labels are usually pasted or stuck on the casks and frequently get detached or torn off. It is the object of my invention to remedy the difficulty by attaching the labels in a permanent manner, as hereinafter described.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cask, showing the label applied. Fig. 2 is a plan view (full size) of the frame or ring for holding the label. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the loose disk at the bottom of the frame. Fig. 4 is a vertical cross-section of the device attached to the head of a cask. Fig. 5 is a face view of the label or stamp. Fig. 6 is a vertical cross-section of the ring or frame and an edge view of the loose disk.

A indicates the cask to which the device is attached. A shallow hole is bored in one of the heads of sufficient depth to receive the device, but not so deep as to pass through the head or weaken the same.

B is the frame or ring that holds the label. It is circular and of ring form, the center being open, as shown, and it is of such size as

to be driven closely into the socket prepared for it in the wood. Being cast, its exterior is usually rough enough to hold tightly in the wood; but if screwed it may be provided with screw-threads or otherwise prepared to enable it to hold tightly in place. It is sunk in the wood, so that its outer face stands flush, as shown in Fig. 4. The opening at its top and the opening at its bottom are of greater diameter than the opening at its center, leaving thereby a shoulder *a a*, which is designed to hold the label in place.

C is a disk of sheet metal fitted loosely in the bottom of the socket formed in the wood and resting under the frame B, its object being to receive the label and allow the same to be removed at any time by a knife or other pointed instrument without picking into the wood.

D is the label or stamp, consisting of a disk of heavy paper of such size as to fill the space in the lower part of the frame B and rest under the shoulder *a a*, which holds it in place and prevents accidental displacement.

The labels can be easily pressed down through the open top of the frame, and when once seated it expands and holds in place. It is marked with a figure or letter or other character to indicate the party to whom the cask is shipped, or it may be marked with the name of the party. This label remains in place and when the cask is returned to the owner it indicates from whom the cask is received.

When it is desired to change the label, it can readily be picked out by a knife or other suitable instrument and a new one substituted in its place.

The great advantage of this invention is that it enables the packages to be assorted and traced back to the parties by whom they were returned, whereas labels stuck to the sides of the packages are frequently torn from place by rough usage or lose their adhesiveness by becoming wet. In this invention the label is sunk below the surface of the wood and is not subject to violence, and, being inclosed and held in place, it will not fall out when wet.

The invention is applicable to all kinds of packages made of wood and holding any kinds of goods.

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

The label or stamp holder herein described,
5 consisting of a ring capable of being sunk into a cavity in the package to which it is attached, provided with a seat in its bottom

which receives the label, and a shoulder above the seat to hold the label in place, as described.

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