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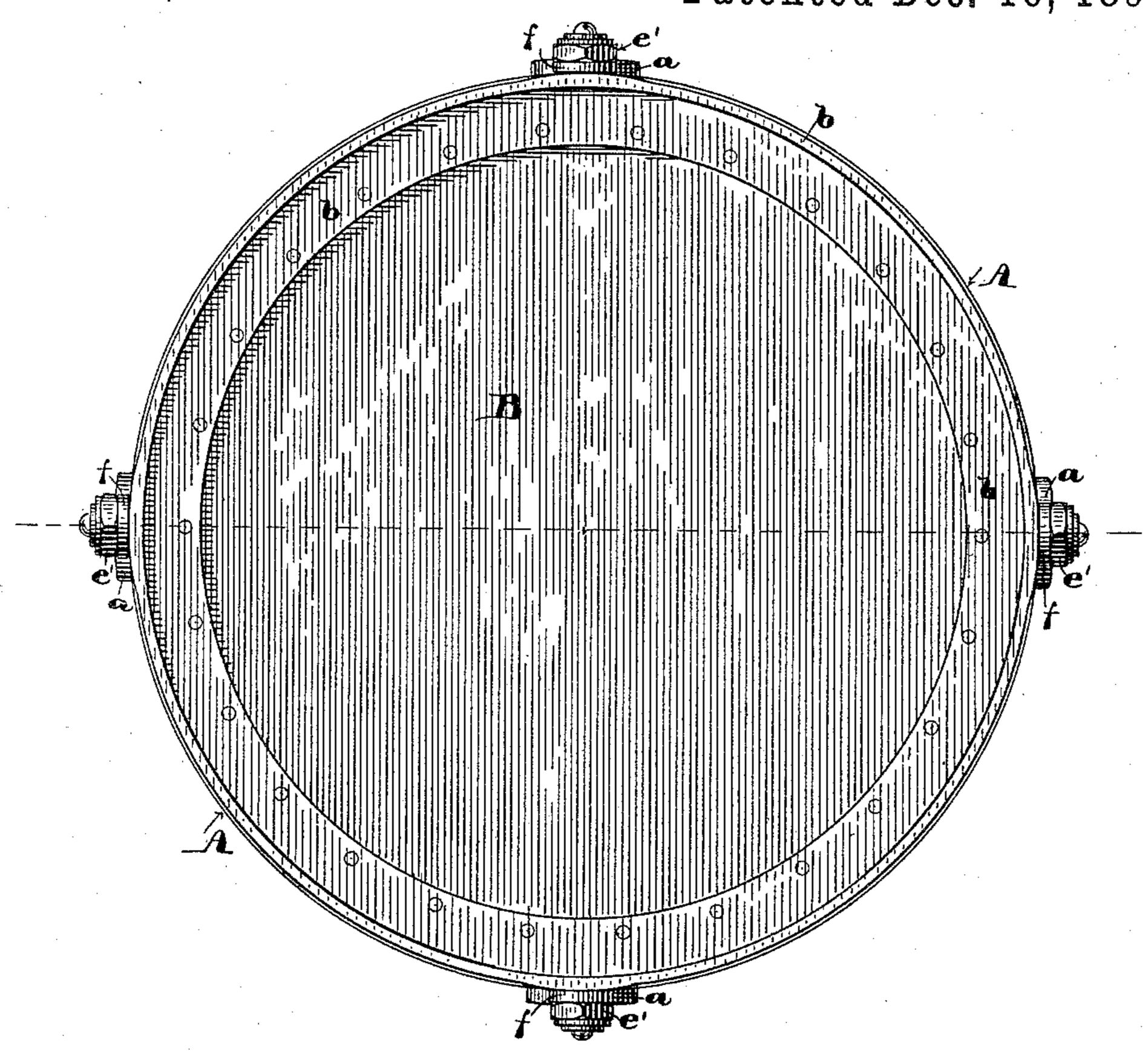
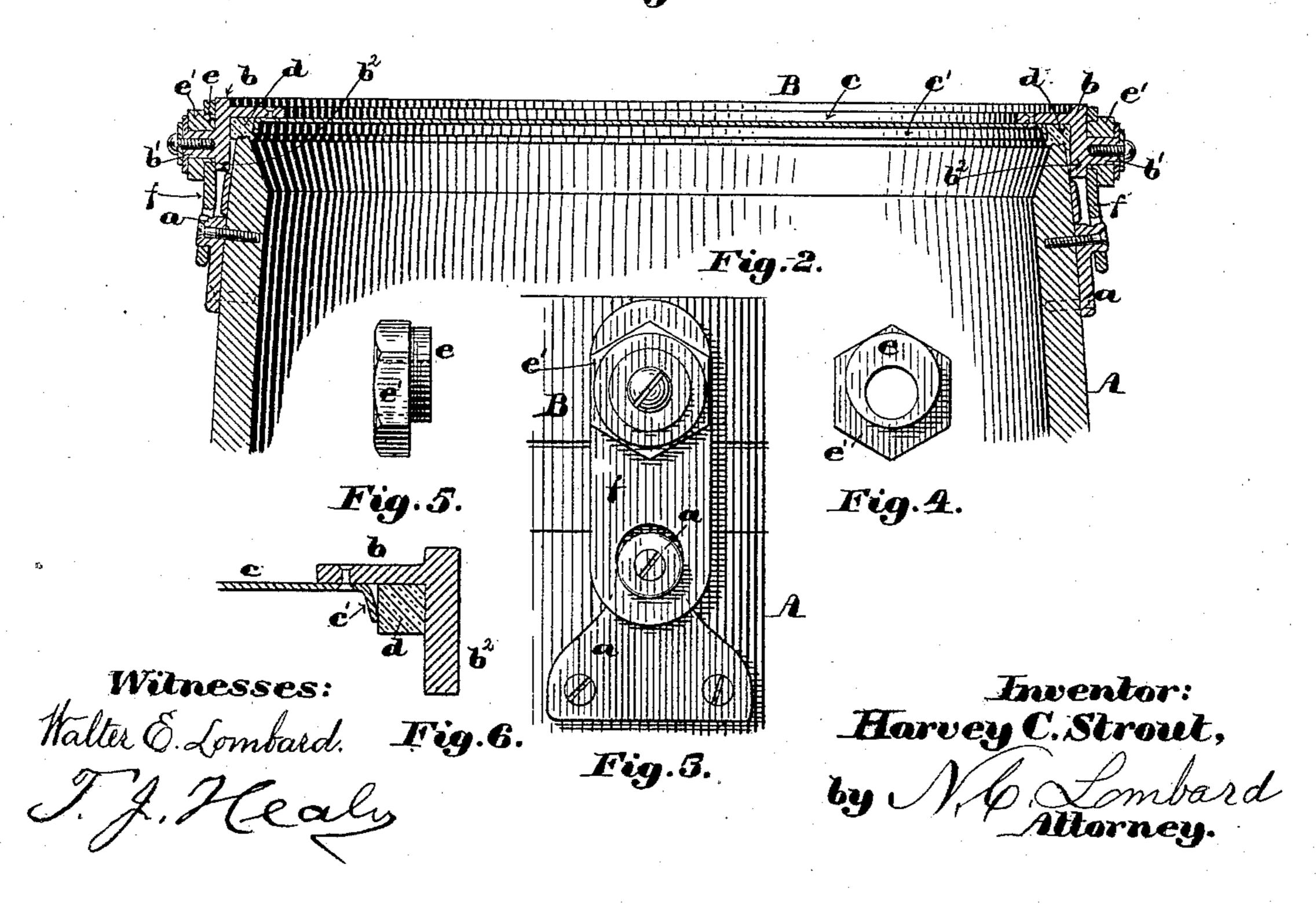


Fig.1.



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BARREL-CLOSURE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HARVEY C. STROUT, of Peabody, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Barrel-Closures, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification.

My invention relates to barrel-closures; and it consists in certain novel features of construction, arrangement, and combination of parts, which will be readily understood by reference to the description of the drawings, and to the claim hereinafter given, and in which my invention is clearly pointed out.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a plan of a barrel illustrating my invention. Fig. 2 is a partial central vertical section of the same. Fig. 3 is an elevation of one of the fastening devices and small portions of the barrel and cover contiguous thereto. Fig. 4 is an inside elevation of one of the eccentrics. Fig. 5 is an edge view of the eccentric, and Fig. 6 is a partial vertical section of the cover and the rubber gasket, drawn to an enlarged scale.

In the drawings, A is the body of the barrel, of any well-known construction, having secured to its outer surface, near one end thereof, a series of lugs a, arranged at equal.

30 distances from each other.

One end of the barrel A is provided with a removable head B, composed of the cast-metal angular ring b, having formed upon its outer periphery a series of outwardly-projecting 35 studs b' at equal distances from each other and corresponding in number to the number of lugs a on the barrel, and the sheet-metal circular disk c, firmly riveted to the ring band having a portion of its outer border c' 40 turned downward into a position slightly oblique to the inner face of the downwardlyprojecting annular lip b^2 of the ring b, and at such a distance therefrom as to enable the rubber gasket d to be inserted between said | 45 lip b^2 and the oblique lip c', as shown in Figs. 2 and 6. Upon each of the studs b' is mounted an eccentric e, so as to be revoluble thereon, and held in place thereon by a suitable washer and screw, said eccentric being provided with 50 the hexagonal collare' or other suitable means 1

of rotating the same when desired. Each of the eccentrics e has mounted thereon and depending therefrom a link f, having an opening near its lower end to receive the lug a, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3.

The rubber gasket d is preferably made square in cross-section and of a diameter in its normal condition somewhat less than the diameter of the lower edge of the inclined lip c', so that when placed in position around said 60 lip its elasticity will retain it in position when the cover is removed from the barrel.

The operation of my invention is as follows: The cover B being complete, with the links f and eccentrics affixed thereto and the gasket 65 d in position on the lip c', and it being desired to close the barrel, the head B is placed in position, the lower ends of the several links f are slipped over the lugs a a, the eccentrics being in the positions with their largest radii 70 downward for that purpose, and then the eccentrics are successively rotated a half-revolution, when the barrel will be closed liquid-tight and ready for transportation.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure 75 by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

In a barrel-closing device, the combination, with a barrel having only one fixed head, of a removable cover composed of an annular ring having an angular cross-section, and a 30 sheet-metal disk having an annular oblique lip turned around its periphery, said disk being firmly secured to said angular ring by riveting, a rubber gasket surrounding said oblique lip, a series of lugs secured to the ex- 85 terior of the barrel, a like number of eccentrics mounted upon and carried by said angular ring, and a series of links, each connecting one of said eccentrics with one of said lugs, whereby by partially rotating said eccen- 90 trics said cover may be secured to said barrel with a liquid-tight joint.

Intestimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, on this 22d day of Sep- 95

tember, A. D. 1890.

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