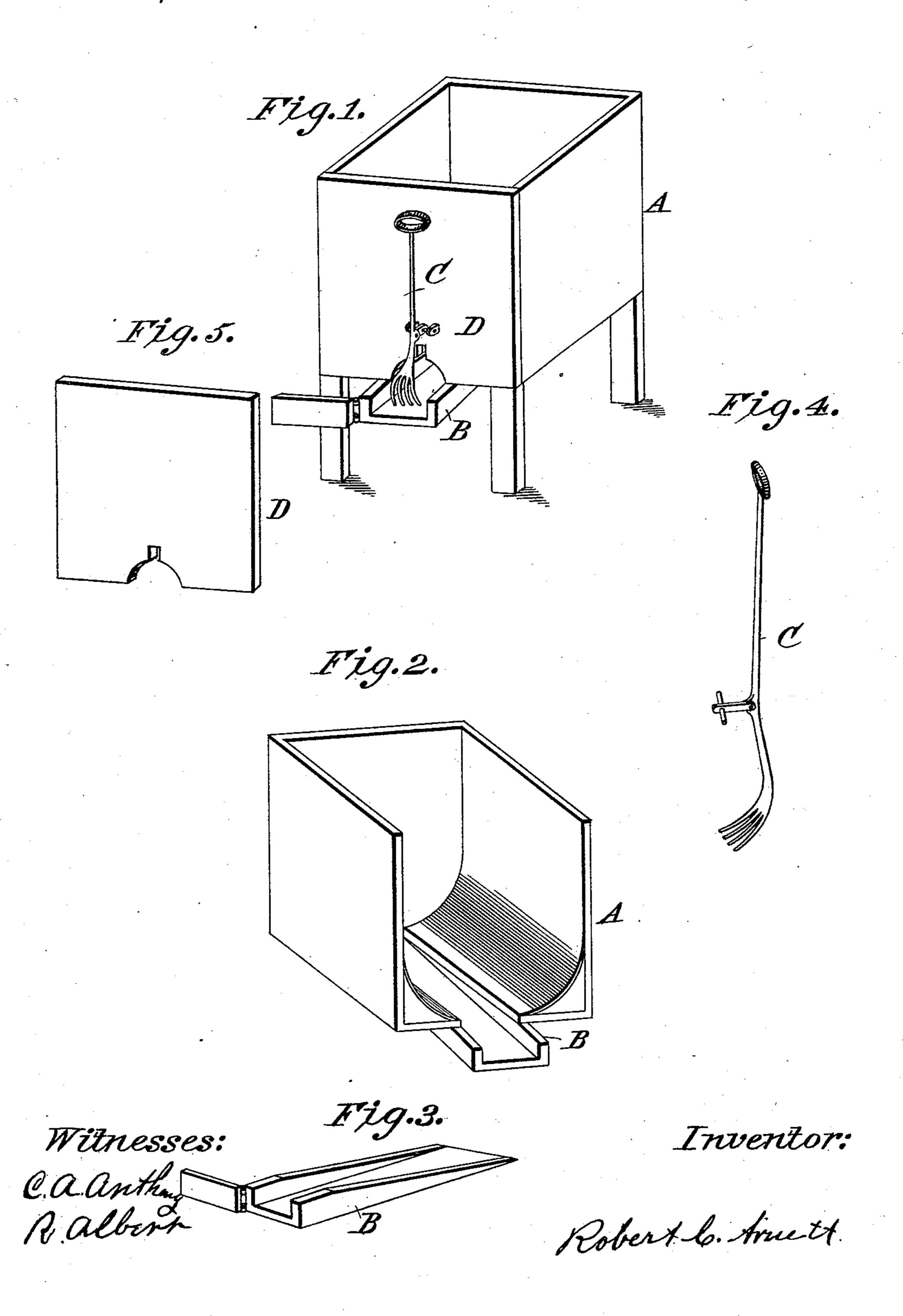
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT C. ARNETT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fredericktown, in the county of Madison, in the State of Missouri, have invented and produced a new and original Device for Handling or Taking Nails out of Kegs, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part thereof.

The object of the invention is to do away with handling nails with the hands in retail trade; and the invention consists of a machine or contrivance by which the nails may be extracted from the bottom of a keg or from the bottom of the box on which the handler is attached.

Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in the drawings represent the parts of the handler, and the letter ters ABCD represent the "nail-handler" complete.

Fig. 1 represents one box of the handler complete, which is or may be constructed of wood or iron, and the box may be either square or hopper-shaped. If hopper-shaped the box will taper from the top to the bottom, leaving a throatsix by four inches. If square, the sides and ends must be so lined as to form a mitered curvical shape at the bottom, leaving a throat six by four inches. Five boxes constitute a set, or the set may be more or less at the option of the purchaser, and each box is large enough to contain a keg of nails.

Fig. 2 represents the back and two sides on the interior; also how the end of the spout fits over the throat of box. (See letter A.)

Fig. 3 represents the spout which fits closely to the throat of the box at one end and extends downward for the nails to run out, and has a small door at the lower end to stop the 42 flow when desired. (See letter B.)

Fig. 4 represents the fork or hand which is suspended near the middle to one end of a link, while the other end of the link is attached to a pivot or pin on the box, so when 45 the fork is taken by the upper end or the handle and forced downward the lower end or fork is naturally forced inwardly and upward through the spout until the hand or fork C closes up the throat of the box 14 and 50 cuts off the flow of nails when held still until the door at the end of the spout 3<sup>B</sup> can be closed, and the fork C may then be brought back to a perpendicular position to its proper place while not in use. Should the nails 55 choke up in the spout or throat, all that is necessary is to work the fork C slightly up or down on box 1<sup>A</sup>, which will cause the nails to run freely, however badly they may be choked in spout.

Fig. 5 represents the interior of front of box.

What I claim is—

In a nail-handling machine, the combination of the box having the spout B, the door 65 closing said spout and the fork pivotally connected to said box so as to be reciprocated in said trough, substantially as described.

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