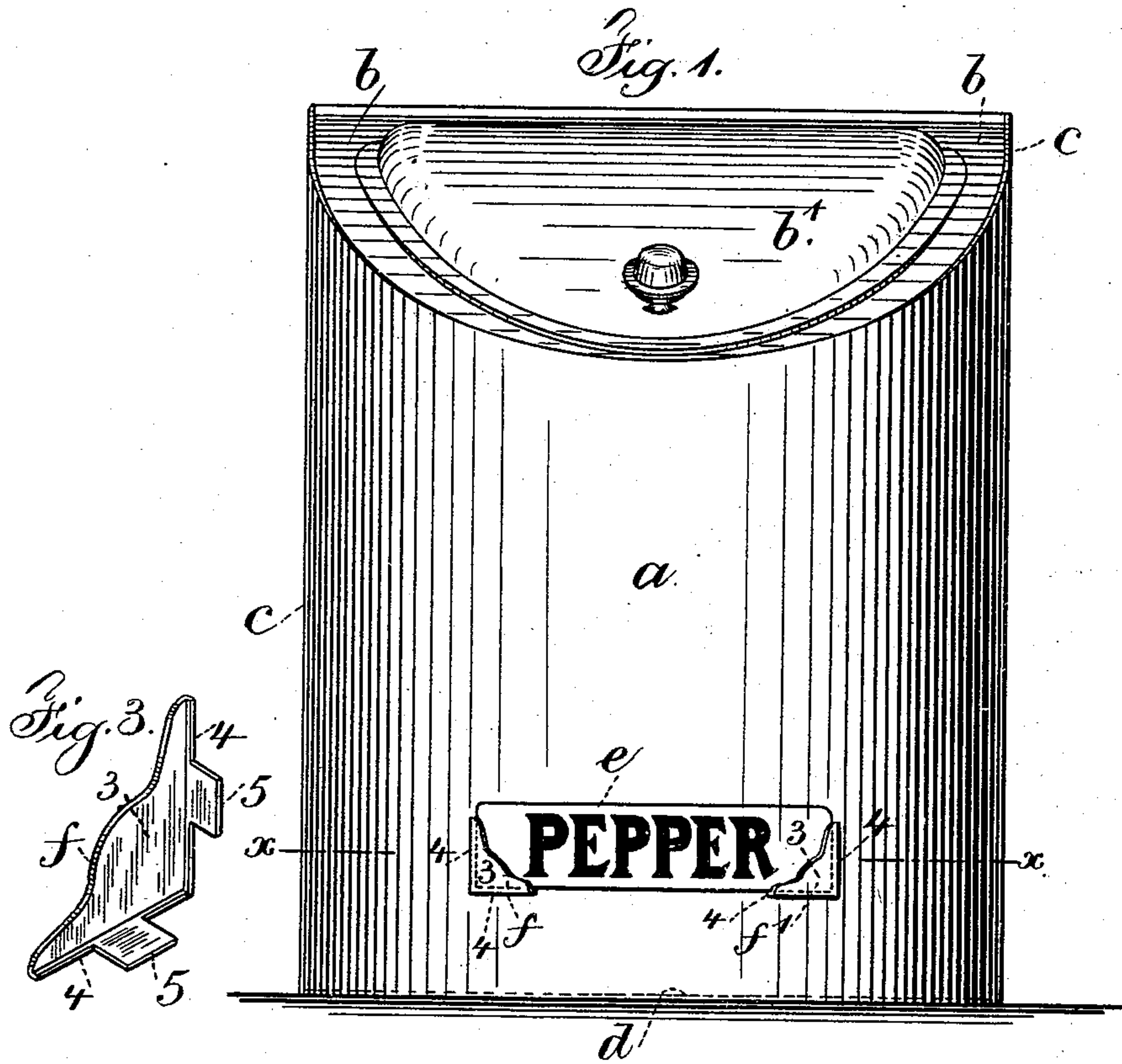


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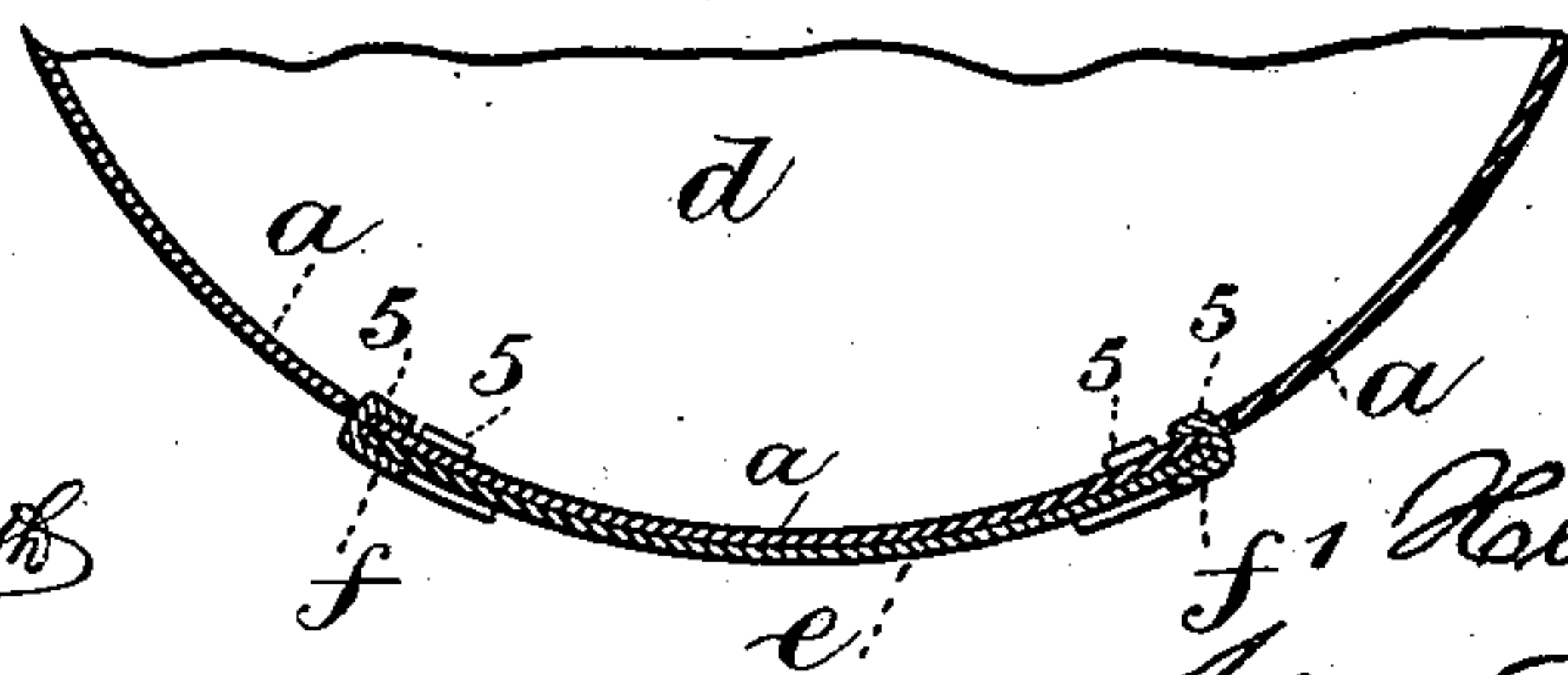
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*Fig. 2.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY MACARTHY, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city, county, and State of New York, have invented  
5 a new and useful Improvement in Decorated Sheet-Metal Canisters, of which the following is a specification.

In decorated sheet-metal canisters as heretofore made the names of the spices or other  
10 articles that are to be placed in such canisters are painted upon their face, and occasions sometimes arise where it is advantageous to be able to quickly change the names without the trouble and expense of erasing one name  
15 and painting on another. In preparing metal sheets for such canisters the decoration is done on the flat sheet, and this cannot be done if any projecting pieces are soldered to the face, and when decorated the soldering of any  
20 pieces upon the decorated faces of the sheets destroys the decoration adjacent to such pieces.

With these explanations of the conditions it will be understood that my invention relates to angular sheet-metal clip-pieces having  
25 tongues formed therewith, which tongues are inserted through openings or mortises made in the decorated sheet metal of the canister, and these tongues are bent over on the  
30 inside to secure the clip-pieces in place without the use of solder. These clip-pieces receive and hold the separate and removable name-plate, so that it cannot fall out, and the name-plate can be removed and turned over  
35 to show a name on the reverse side, or another plate can be inserted bearing a different name, as desired.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is an elevation of a canister, showing my improvement. Fig. 2  
40 is a sectional plan adjacent to the name-plate on the line  $x x$ . Fig. 3 is a rearwise perspective view of the angular sheet-metal clip-piece in larger size.

In the drawings,  $a$  represents the front,  $b$   
45 the top,  $b'$  the lid,  $c c$  the sides, and  $d$  the bottom, of a sheet-metal canister, which may be of any form or shape desired, the surfaces of the metal being decorated by painting, printing, varnishing, or otherwise.

50  $e$  represents the name-plate, which is a

separate and removable piece of sheet metal, and upon one or both sides of this plate a name is painted to indicate the contents of the canister. I prefer to paint or print a name  
55 on both sides.

$f f'$  represent the angular sheet-metal clip-pieces. (Shown particularly in the enlarged perspective view, Fig. 3.) These clip-pieces are each composed of a triangular-shaped  
60 piece of sheet metal with two edges at right angles to each other and with a front portion 3, inturned-edge portions 4, and tongues 5, which tongues are continuations of the inturned-edge portions. One edge of each clip-  
65 piece is to be set vertically and the other horizontally upon the decorated face of the canister.

The decorated face of the canister is made with openings or mortises through which the  
70 tongues of the clip-pieces are inserted, and they are then bent over to secure the said clip-pieces in place upon the decorated face of the canister. The vertical edge portions of the clip-pieces are so placed as to receive the  
75 name-plate lengthwise, and the horizontal edge portions of the clip-pieces support the name-plate, the lower edge of the name-plate resting on the inturned-edge portions 4, and  
80 said edge portions, by their width governing the distance of the clip-faces 3, form the face of the canister, or, in other words, the space into which the name-plate is inserted. The clip-pieces being secured without solder, the decorations on the canister are not injured.

My improvement provides for changing the  
85 name upon a decorated sheet-metal canister with facility and without injury to the canister.

I do not claim securing the parts of decorated canisters together by tongues passing  
90 through mortises, as handles have been so secured and have also supported name-plates. By the present improvement the triangular clip-pieces perform the duty of holding the name-plate both vertically and longitudinally,  
95 and they have nothing to do with any handle.

I claim as my invention—

The combination, with a decorated sheet-metal canister, of sheet-metal clip-pieces, each  
100 having two edges at right angles to each other

and having tongues projecting from such  
edges and passing through mortises in the  
face of the canister for securing such angular  
clip-pieces in place, and a removable name-  
5 plate adapted to be inserted within and held  
by said angular clip-pieces, substantially as  
and for the purposes set forth.

Signed by me this 10th day of December,  
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