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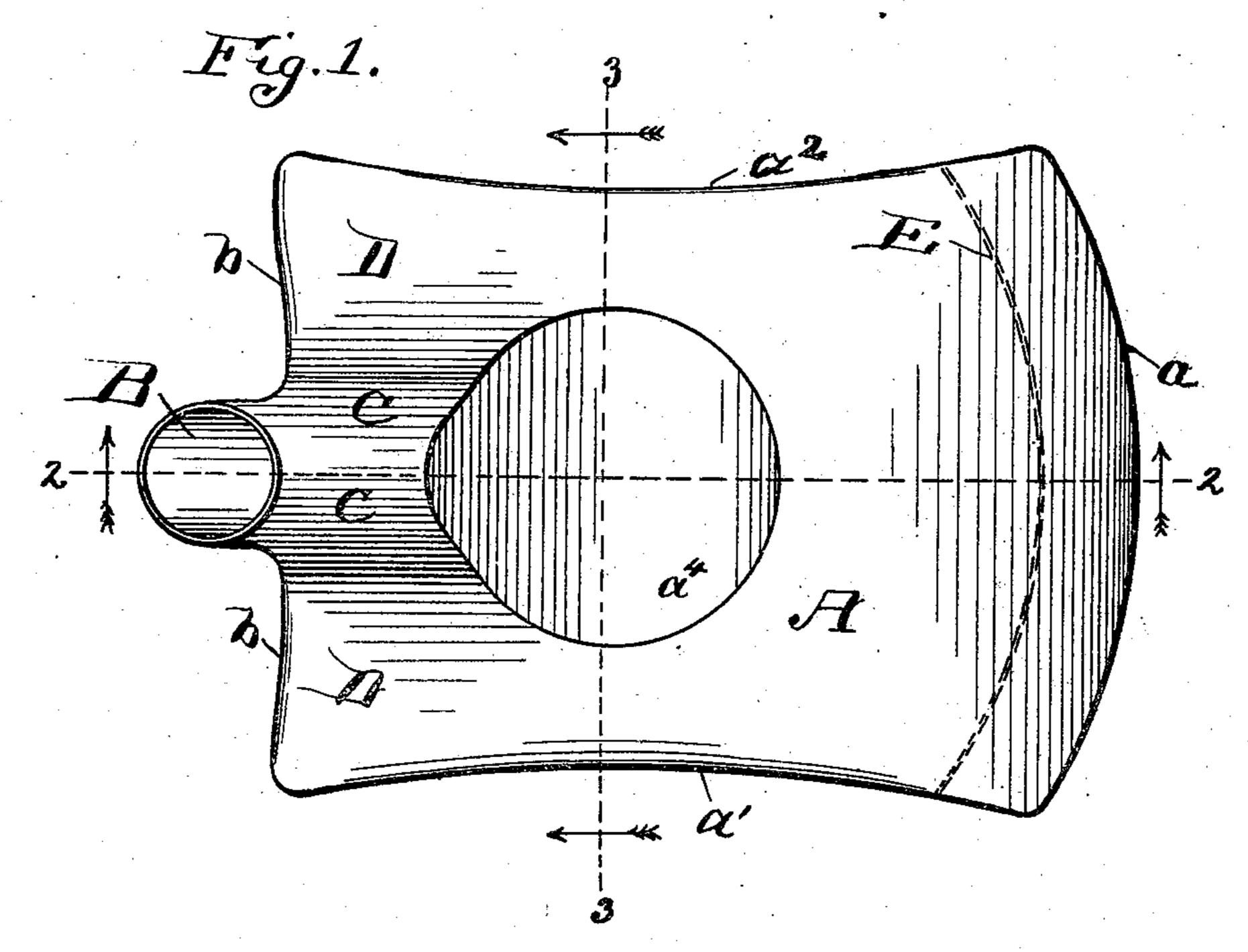
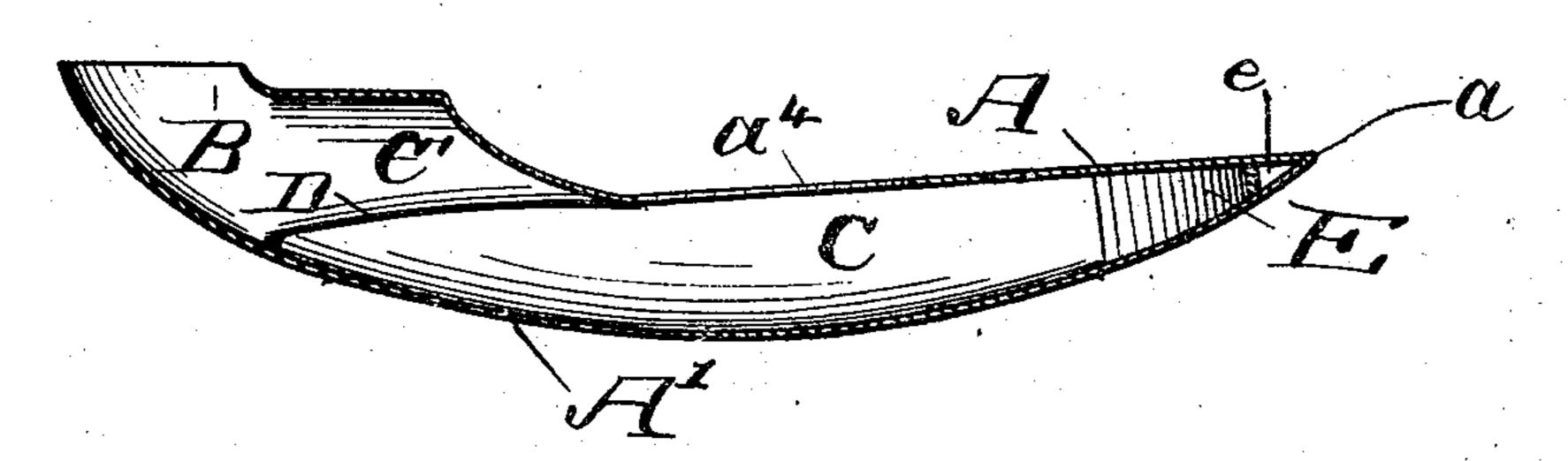
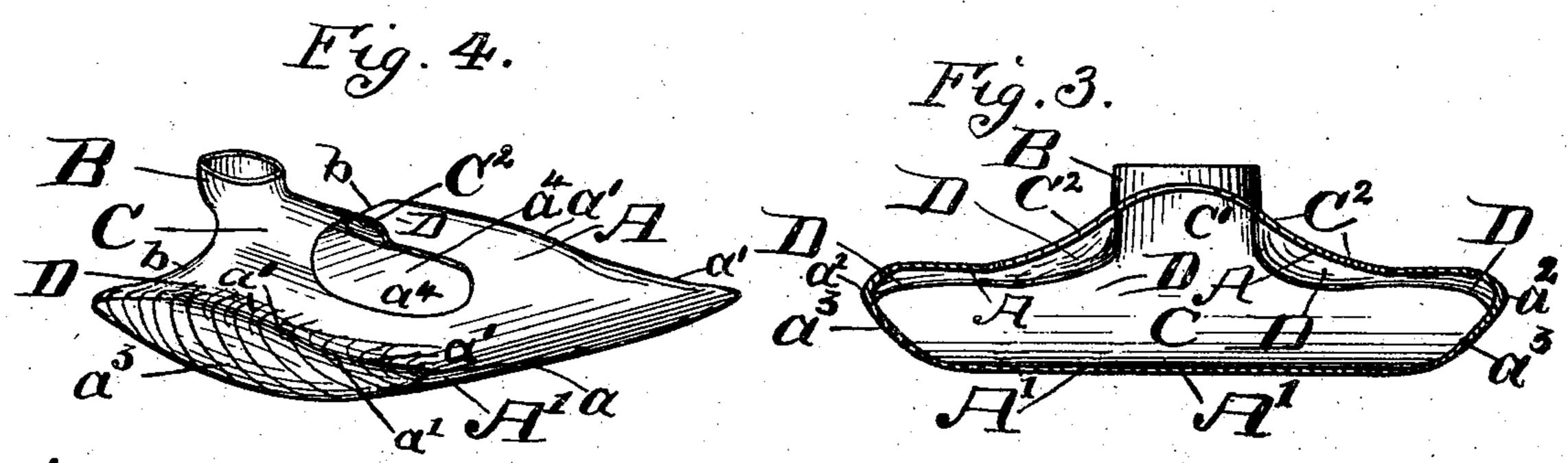


Fig. 2.





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## BED-PAN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John Tascher, a resident of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improved Bed-Pan, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

cation. The object of my invention is to obtain a bed-pan adapted to stand on a plane surface without spilling the contents thereof, and at the same time adapted to be forced or pressed into a bed or mattress when in use, by the 15 weight of the person using it, in such manner as to form a comfortable seat to such person. And to that end my invention consists in a bed-pan composed of a bowl, having a top or seat with a hole therein, such bowl 20 being provided with a bottom convex anteroposteriorly; that is, from the front and rear edges thereof, and from each side edge inclined downwardly and inwardly a portion of the way but not to a plane extending lon-25 gitudinally through the center of such hole in the top or seat, in combination with a

In the drawings, Figure 1, is a top plan view of a bed-pan embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a sectional view thereof on line 2—2 of Fig. 1, viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows; Fig. 3, a sectional view on line 3—3 of Fig. 1, viewed in the direction indicated by the arrows; and Fig. 4, a perspective view of the bed-pan illustrated in Figs.

spout and chamber, the forward wall of the

spout being a continuation of the forward end

of the bottom of the bed-pan, and the upper

ward and forming a chamber connecting with

30 and rear wall of the spout extending back-

1, 2, and 3.

The same letter of reference is used to indicate a given part where more than one view thereof is illustrated in the different figures of

the drawings.

A, is the top or seat of the bowl of the bed-

pan.
A', is the convexed bottom of the bed pan; a, the back or rear edge of the bed-pan; a',

 $a^2$ , the sides thereof.  $a^3$ ,  $a^3$ , respectively, are 50 the downwardly inclined sides of the bedpan, extending from the top or seat thereof to the bottom A'.

 $a^4$ , is the hole in the seat.

B, is the spout of the bed-pan; b, b, respectively, the front edges of the chamber in the front of bowl C of the bed pan; C' the chamber; and C<sup>2</sup>, the rearward extension of the rear wall of the spout B, forming the top of chamber C'.

D, D, are the top faces of bowl C extended

alongside of chamber C'.

E, is a partition put in the bed-pan where such bed-pan is constructed of sheet metal, as tin. Where the bed-pan is made of or 65 from white pottery the space indicated by the reference letter e in Fig. 2 may be, and properly is, made solid from the rear edge of the bed-pan to the partition E. The object of partition E is to so construct the bowl of 70 the bed-pan that it may be readily cleaned after use.

The advantages obtained by my bed-pan, constructed as described, are, when a person is seated thereon the bed-pan is forced down- 75 ward into the mattress or bed, and no ridge or raised part is formed by the bed-pan in the bed; so affording an easy seat or rest for such person using it; and further, a bed-pan is obtained which is adapted to be slid up 80 underneath the person about to use it, without lifting such person a great distance off the mattress. And further, by forming the chamber C' in front of the bowl C, with spout B extending from the chamber C', the con-85 tents of the bowl can be readily emptied therefrom, while all danger of such contents being spilled is obviated because of the position and peculiar construction of the chamber.

Having thus described my invention, what 9° I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

Patent, is—

In a bed-pan, a bowl having a seat on top with a hole therein and a bottom convex antero-posteriorly and inclined downwardly and 95 inwardly from the side edges of the bed-pan a portion of the way to the center of the bowl, in combination with a spout and a

chamber communicating therewith in front of the bowl and to the rear of the spout, the front and bottom wall of the spout and chamber being a continuation of the front part of the bottom of the bowl and the rear wall of the spout being extended backwardly to the hole in the seat and thereby forming the top wall of the chamber, with the top of the

bowl extending forward by the side of the curved top of the chamber; substantially as rodescribed.

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