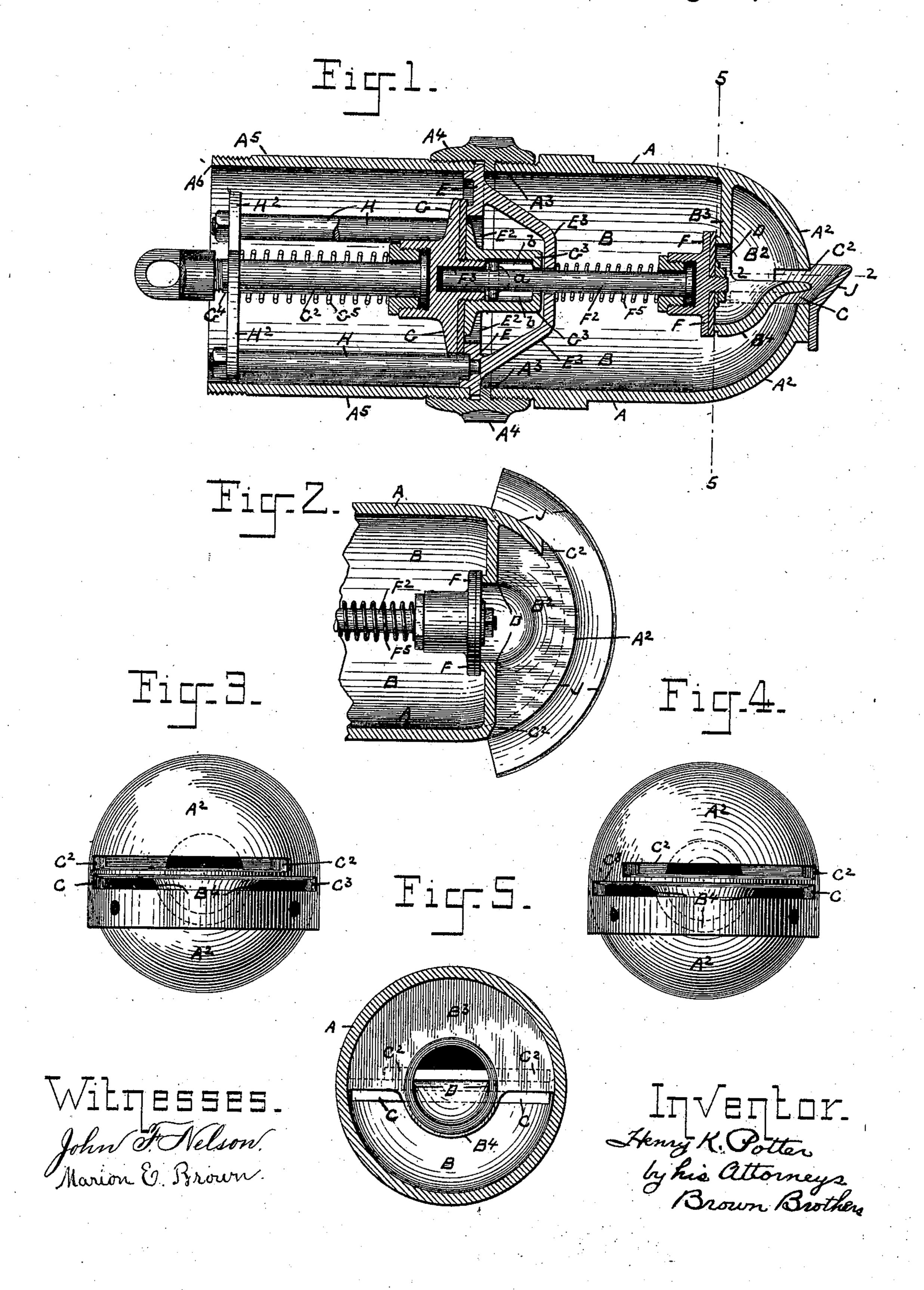
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY K. POTTER, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of the city of Somerville, in the 5 county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sprinklers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The sprinkler of this invention is more es-10 pecially designed for watering or sprinkling carts although as is obvious it may be employed for other useful purposes. In substance, the sprinkler is composed of a nozzle, at one end to be in communication with the 15 water-supply and at the other end constructed with two separate and distinct acting discharging passages of suitable form, preferably a slot or slots and interiorly having separate water-chambers adapted for communi-20 cation of both and of one with the water-supply and each with one of said dischargingpassages, in combination with valves located within the nozzle one to open and close the communication of one of said chambers with the 25 water-supply and the other to open and close the communication of the two chambers with each other, and means connected to one and

also joining both of said valves and adapted to first open in part the valve of the chamber 30 in communication with the water-supply and then on continuing the opening of said valve to open the valve of the communicating chambers and otherwise to allow the valves to close

when suitably released therefor.

In the drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a central and longitudinal section of a sprinkler of this invention. Fig. 2 is a section, line 2—2, Fig. 1. Figs. 3 and 4 are elevations at the discharging ends 40 of two separate nozzles which are placed side by side to the better illustrate nozzles having distinct acting discharge-passages of which some portion or portions extend beyond another portion or portions at the same side 45 of the nozzle. Fig. 5 is a transverse section,

line 5—5, Fig. 1.

In the drawings, A is the nozzle of the sprinkler. This nozzle is tubular and at one and its discharging end or head A2 it is pref-50 erably hemispherical and at its other and water receiving end A<sup>8</sup> it is attached by a screw coupling-nut A4 to one end of a pipe or tube

A<sup>5</sup> which at its end A<sup>6</sup> is to be connected, in any suitable manner, to a water-supply as for instance, a water tank (not shown) of a street- 55 sprinkler cart and all in a manner to present the discharging end A<sup>2</sup> of the nozzle in the proper position, direction and relation for use for that purpose and as well known.

B, B<sup>2</sup> are two chambers or compartments of 60 the nozzle A and formed by a partition B3, B4 having the part B3 diametrically but only partially across and near the discharging-head A<sup>2</sup> of the nozzle and the part B<sup>4</sup>, in continuation of the part B<sup>3</sup> at one side of an axial 65 plane and lengthwise of the nozzle toward and joined to the discharging-head  $A^2$ .

C and C<sup>2</sup> are two separate parallel slots across the discharging-head A<sup>2</sup> of the nozzle and communicating, the slot C with the cham- 70 ber B and the slot C<sup>2</sup> with the chamber B<sup>2</sup> of the nozzle.

D is an opening through the part B<sup>3</sup> of the partition B<sup>8</sup>, B<sup>4</sup>, and making communication between the chambers B, B<sup>2</sup>.

E<sup>2</sup> is an opening of an annular plate or disk E which crosses the water receiving end A<sup>3</sup> of the nozzle and at and about its outer edge is confined between the adjacent faces of said end  $A^8$  and the pipe  $A^5$  in continuation of the 80 nozzle. The openings D, E<sup>2</sup> preferably are axially coincident with each other and with the nozzle.

F, G are valves for the openings D, E<sup>2</sup> respectively and by which to open and close 85 them as hereinafter fully appears. The valve F closed seats upon and around the opening D of the part B<sup>3</sup> of the partition B<sup>3</sup>, B<sup>4</sup> and the valve G closed seats upon and around the opening E<sup>2</sup> of the annular plate E and in open- 90 ing the valves they both move off of their seats in the same and a direction toward the water receiving end A<sup>3</sup> of the nozzle, or in other words against the run of the water from the supply to the nozzle.

F<sup>2</sup> and G<sup>2</sup> are the stems of the valves F and G respectively. Both valve-stems are axially coincident and preferably and as well known and shown they are connected to the valves for the valves to swivel on them and 100 thereby the better to insure their seating: otherwise than this the end F<sup>3</sup> of the valvestem F<sup>2</sup> opposite to that joined to the valve F as stated enters loosely into a corresponding

socket of the valve G and it has a cross projection or shoulder a lying within a longitudinal way b of limited length—(determined by its opposite end-wall or abutments)—and of 5 a projection or head G<sup>3</sup> of the valve G and through this head and a bridge E<sup>3</sup> adjacent thereto of the annular plate E, said valvestem F<sup>2</sup> passes and is thereby lengthwise guided in its movement on the valve G. The 10 valve-stem G<sup>2</sup> at its end-portion G<sup>4</sup> opposite to that joined to its valve as stated passes through a transverse head-plate H<sup>2</sup> of a frame H confined within the pipe A<sup>5</sup> and making a guide for the movement of said valve and its 15 stem in opening and closing, all as fully described in Letters Patent, dated March 11, 1890, No. 423,390.

F<sup>5</sup>, G<sup>5</sup> are spiral springs, surrounding respectively the valve-stems F<sup>2</sup>, G<sup>2</sup> and thereon 20 confined end to end by and between the respective valves and the fixed-bridge E<sup>3</sup> and head-plate H<sup>2</sup> herein before referred to. Each valve opens against and closes with the pressure or tension of its spring F<sup>5</sup> or G<sup>5</sup> as 25 the case may be. The valves normally are closed, and in this position the shouldered and slot connection described of the valvestem F<sup>2</sup> and the valve F is then situated so that pulling on the valve-stem G<sup>2</sup> to open its 30 valve G, said valve G is first moved and opened for a limited distance, determined by the length of said slot of said shouldered and slot connection of said valve and the valvestem F<sup>2</sup> and then the valve F being joined 35 thereto on continuing the pull, it also is bination with a supplemental chamber lomoved and opened, from all of which it is plain that a delivery of water from the discharging-head of the nozzle is first and only at the discharging-slot C in communication 40 with the chamber B until the valve F is opened when it is also at the discharging-slot C<sup>2</sup> in communication with the chamber B<sup>2</sup>, the results of which are that a discharge of water from the nozzle is had first of a small 45 and then of a greater quantity as compared one with the other, the advantages of which at least for street or other such like sprinkling or watering are manifest without particular mention.

Each water discharging passage or slot C, C<sup>2</sup> may be of any proper length and width and again it may be continuous from end to end as particularly shown, or it may be di-

vided into a series of separated slots or other shaped orifices. In any event however it is 55 preferable that the nozzle at its said discharging-passages should have as well known a water deflecting or spreading device, such as an upward and outward flaring lip J to deflect and spread the water discharged as de- 60 scribed.

For street sprinkling or watering carts as well known and as is desirable, a sprinklernozzle is placed at the rear—and one at each side of the cart near to and beyond the rear 65 wheels all so that the water discharged from one nozzle will lap over the water discharged from the other nozzle. In such cases if no provision is made to the contrary, the water midway or thereabout between the nozzles 70 would be double in quantity or substantially so to that at all other portions. This objection is remedied by providing each nozzle with two, if not more, separate discharge-passages as explained and extending, as at C3, 75 one portion of said discharge-passages of each nozzle, around the nozzle at its side which is toward the other nozzle, beyond the other portion thereof.

Having thus described my invention, what 80 I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

ent, is—

In a nozzle for sprinkling purposes, a water-chamber for communication with a water supply, a valve to open said chamber to and 85 to shut it off from the water supply, and a discharge passage for said chamber, in comcated in said water chamber, a valve to open and to close communication between said 90 chambers, a discharge passage for said supplemental chamber, and operating devices common to both of said valves, adapted to close both, to partially open the valve of the main chamber while the valve of the supple- 95 mental chamber remains closed, or to fully open both, substantially as described, for the purposes specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing roo

witnesses.

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