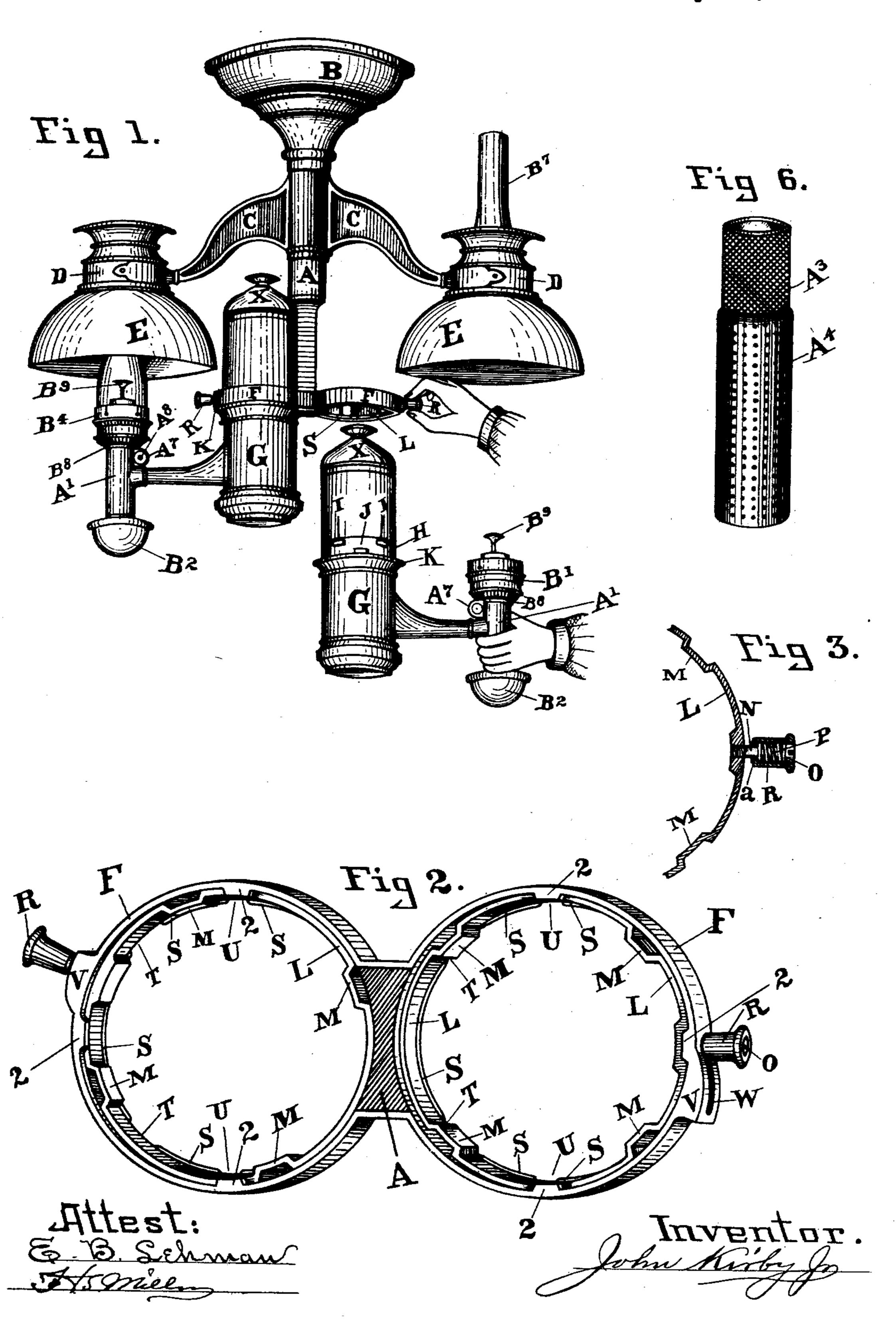
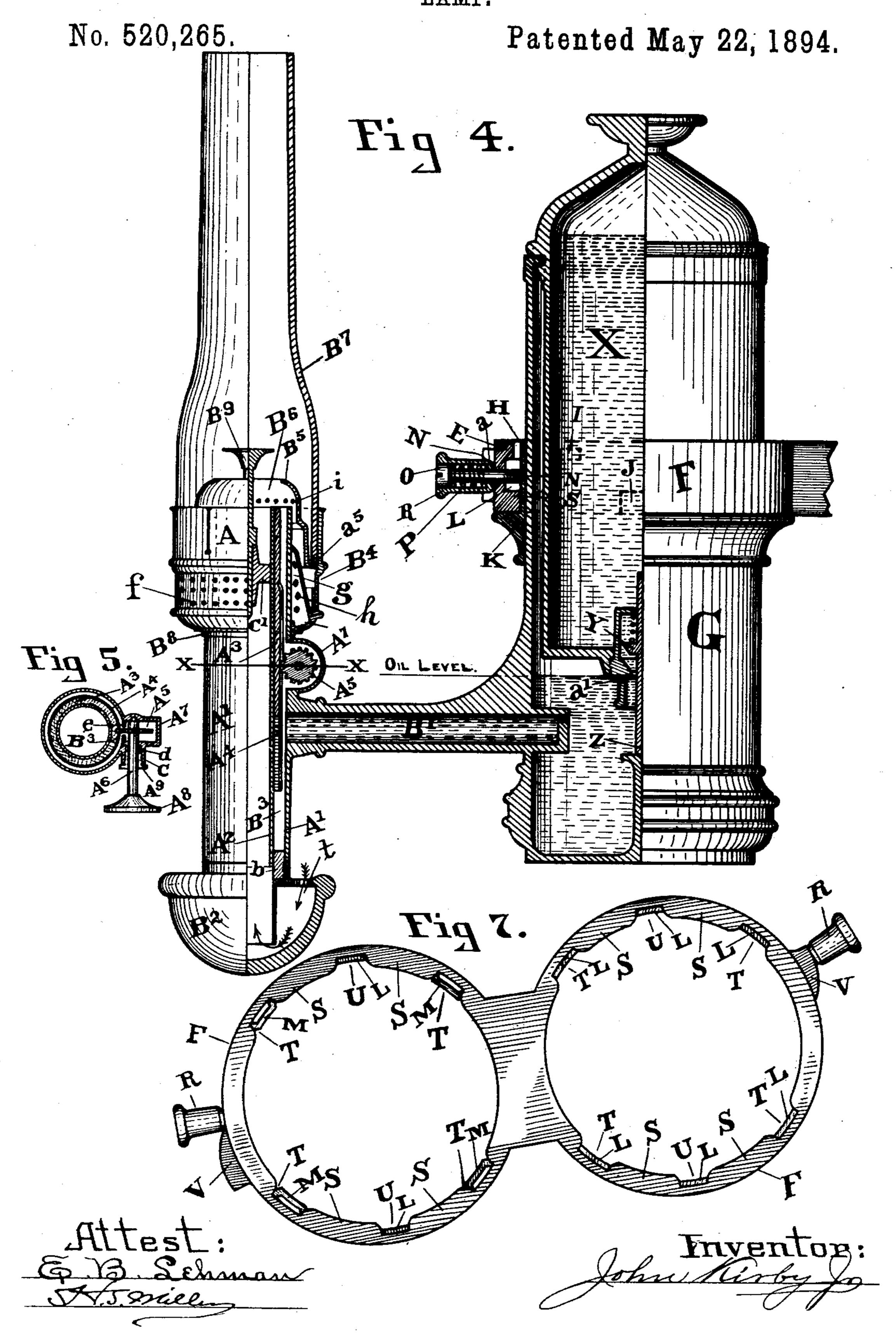
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN KIRBY, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing in the city of Dayton, in the county of Montgomery and 5 State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Lamps, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to railway-car lamps; and it has for its object the production of a 10 chandelier lamp having downwardly-detachable oil-reservoirs, one which will be compact in form, firm and steady in all its parts when secured to an overhead support, and exceedingly convenient in use.

My invention will first be described in connection with the accompanying drawings, and

then pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a side view of my improved lamp with one of the reservoirs 20 removed. Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective view of the exterior and interior couplingrings separated from the supporting-hanger. Fig. 3, is a horizontal section through the interior coupling ring and safety catch show-25 ing the manner in which the latter is constructed. Fig. 4, is an enlarged elevation of a burner and reservoir in half section. Fig. 5, is a half size cross section through line xxof Fig. 4. Fig. 6, is a perspective view of the 30 wick carrying tube, and Fig. 7, is an inverted plan of the interior and exterior coupling rings, one of the former being shown in a locked, and the other in an unlocked position.

The several letters and numerals of refer-35 ence represent corresponding parts in all the

figures.

A, represents a single central supporting hanger provided with an enlarged base, B, for rigid attachment to a car ceiling or other over-40 head support, and carrying arms, C C, to the outer ends of which shade holders D D, which may be of any desired type are secured in the usual manner and carry shades E E.

45 to each other preferably made in one piece, and secured to the hanger A by any suitable means. Each ring is provided with inwardprojecting studs 2 at its upper side and an inward-turned flange S at its lower side. It 50 is also provided on its outer side with an in-

clined projection V, the ring and said projec-

tion being slotted at W.

L is an interior coupling-ring, provided on its inner side with projections M, which have vertical channels m in their backs. By bring- 55 ing these channels in line with the studs 2 the ring L can be inserted into the exterior ring F, the distance between the top of the lower flange S and the bottom of the studs 2 being equal to or preferably a little more 60 than the depth of ring L. By rotating the interior ring L within the exterior ring F the vertical channels m will be turned away from their alignment with the studs 2 and the interior ring thereby prevented from withdrawal, 65 being held in place by the flange S below and the studs 2 on top. A stem N, having a head O, is screwed into the ring L, passing through the slot w in the exterior ring F and its inclined projection V, the slot serving to permit a cer- 70 tain amount of rotation of ring L by means of the stem N, yet preventing it being rotated sufficiently to bring the vertical channels m and the studs 2 in line. Around the stem N is coiled a spring P, one end of which bears 75 against the head O and the other against an inward-turned flange a of a movable knob or casing R. Accidental rotation of ring L is prevented by spring P pressing knob R against the inclined projection V.

G are reservoirs, each of which is provided with a fixed circumferential ring H, having studs I and J projecting from the upper and lower portions respectively of its periphery. A shoulder or flange K is formed on the lower 85 edge of each ring H, its function being to form a stop to prevent the reservoir being pushed too far through the exterior couplingring while being coupled. It also forms a finish and hides from view the openings 90 which would otherwise be seen and appear unsightly. The inward-turned flange S of the exterior coupling-ring F is notched, as at FF are exterior coupling-rings, adjacent | T and U, the notches U being engaged by the studs J on the reservoir-ring H to hold 95 the reservoir and its burner in proper relation to the shades, while the notches T allow the studs I on the reservoir-ring to pass above the top of the interior coupling-ring, where they may be engaged to prevent withdrawal 100 of the reservoir by rotating the interior coupling-ring L so as to bring the projections M directly under the studs I, thereby locking

the reservoir securely in place.

The reservoirs are constructed on what is known as the student lamp principle, a detachable oil holder X, being contained within the reservoir G. This oil holder is supplied with a valve Y, having a stem Z, which when 10 the holder is in position bears against the bottom of the reservoir, and lifts the valve, allowing oil to flow into the reservoir, until it reaches the aperture a', when no more air can enter the holder, and the oil will cease to 15 flow, and will then flow into the reservoir only as it is consumed and air is thereby admitted, thus a constant level of the oil within the reservoir G, and burner is maintained so long as there is oil in the holder, the burner 20 being connected with the reservoir by means of a tube B', through which the oil passes.

A' is the outside and A² the inside burner tubes which are connected at the bottom by a collar b, which collar is screw threaded to receive a drip cup B², as more clearly shown in Fig. 4, air being admitted to the center of the burner through openings t, as indicated

by the arrows.

A³ is the wick, and A⁴ the wick holder com-30 posed of a perforated cylinder with one end turned inward to prevent slipping of the wick.

A⁵ is a pinion wheel mounted upon a shaft A⁶, and contained within a casing A⁷. One end of shaft A⁶, has a bearing in one of the walls of the casing, while the other extends through the opposite wall, and is provided with a button A⁸ for convenience in turning.

A hollow screw threaded extension C, forms a stuffing box on the casing A⁷, within which is placed a suitable packing d, which when pressed tightly around shaft A⁶ by the pack-

ing nut A⁹ prevents leakage of oil.

A slot e, is cut in the outside burner tube to allow the teeth of the pinion wheel to extend into the space B³, and engage with the perforations of the wick holder by which engagement the wick is raised and lowered by the turning of the wheel. The top of the burner is provided with a cap B⁴, having air openings f, air regulator g, provided with perforations h, of proper size and number to admit the requisite amount of air to obtain the proper light, and a cone B⁵, having a central opening B⁶, a flange a⁵ forming a seat for the chimney B⁶, and perforations i, of sufficient size and number to allow a certain required

portion of the hot air and gases to pass out and around the outside of the flame between the latter and the walls of the chimney. The 60 cap B⁴ rests upon a collar B⁸ at proper distance from the top of the burner tubes.

B⁹ is a flame spreader supported by a spider C secured to the inside of burner tube as

shown in Fig. 4.

I am aware that lamps having downwardly detachable reservoirs composed of a single central body with branching arms carrying burners are old, and I do not broadly claim such reservoirs.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a chandelier lamp, the combination, with a single central supporting-hanger having arms provided at their outer ends with shade-holders, and shades carried by said 75 holders, of a plurality of coupling-rings each attached directly to the lower end of said hanger, and a plurality of reservoirs each provided with a branching arm and a burner attached to the outer end of said arm, the reservoirs being adapted to couple with said rings from below, whereby they are detachable downwardly, substantially as described.

2. In a lamp, the combination, with a single central supporting-hanger having arms 85 provided at their outer ends with shade-holders, and shades carried by said holders, of & plurality of exterior coupling-rings each attached directly to the lower end of said hanger, each of said rings being provided at its upper 30 edge with inward-projecting studs and at its lower edge with an inward-turned flange having two series of notches, a plurality of interior coupling-rings, each rotatable between the studs and flange on its respective exte- 95 rior ring, means for rotating and locking the interior rings, and a plurality of reservoirs, each having two series of radial lugs and a circumferential flange below the lugs, the upper series of lugs being adapted to pass up- 100 ward through one series of notches in the flange on the exterior ring and to be engaged by the inner projections on the interior ring, the lower series of lugs entering the other series of notches in the flange to prevent rota- 105 tion of the reservoir, each of said reservoirs being also provided with a branching arm and a burner attached to the outer end of said arm, substantially as described.

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