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Fig. 1.

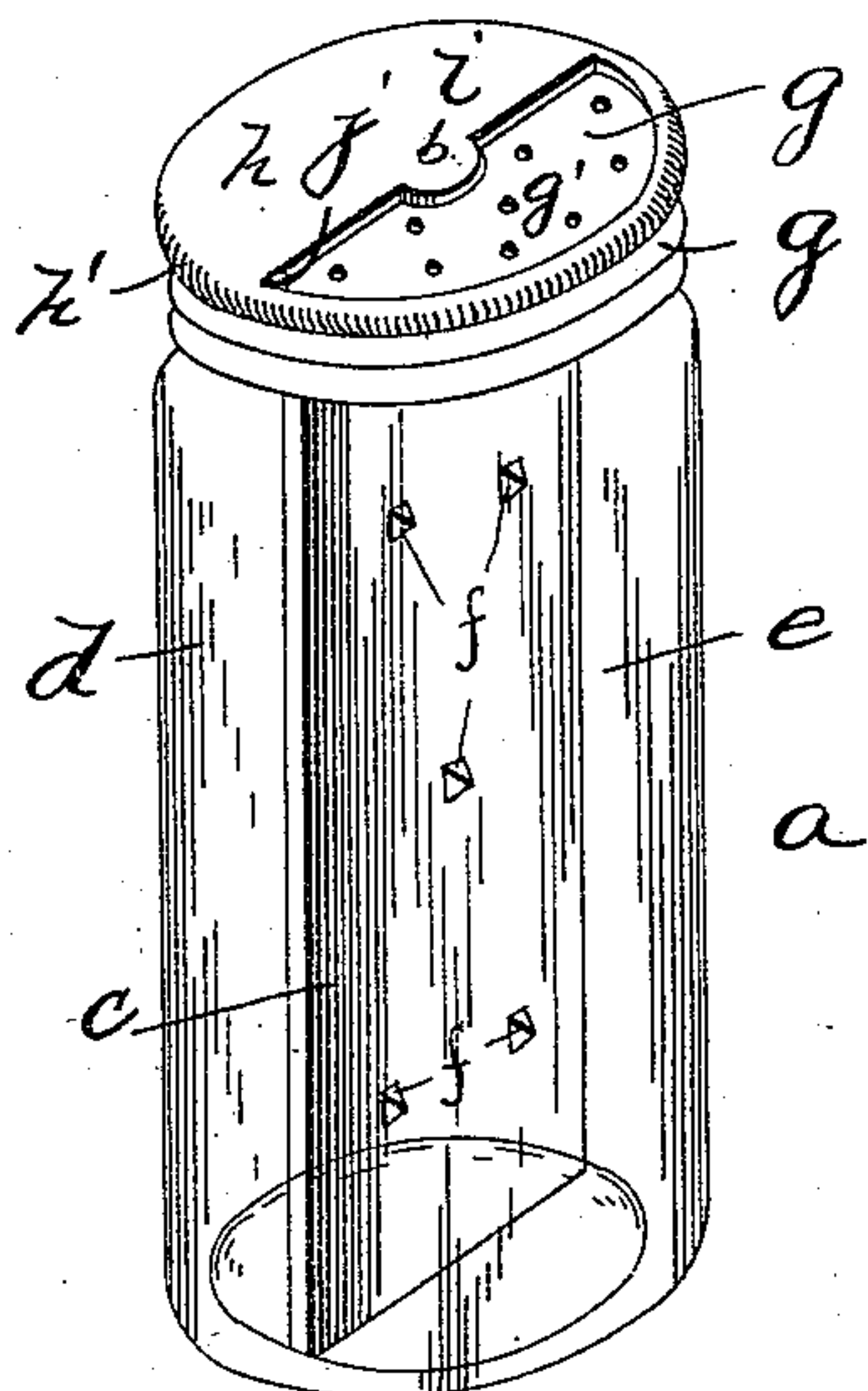


Fig. 3.

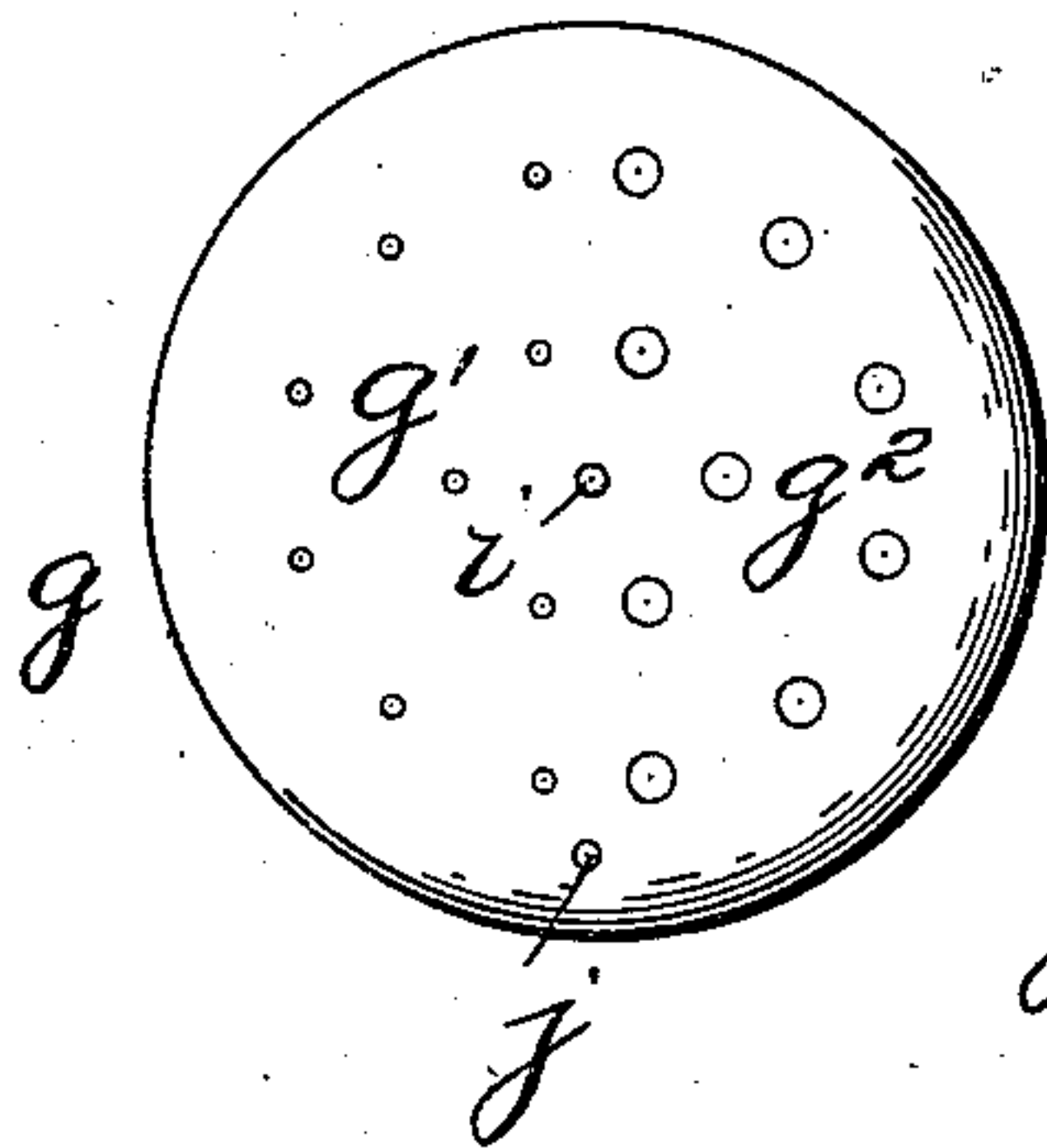
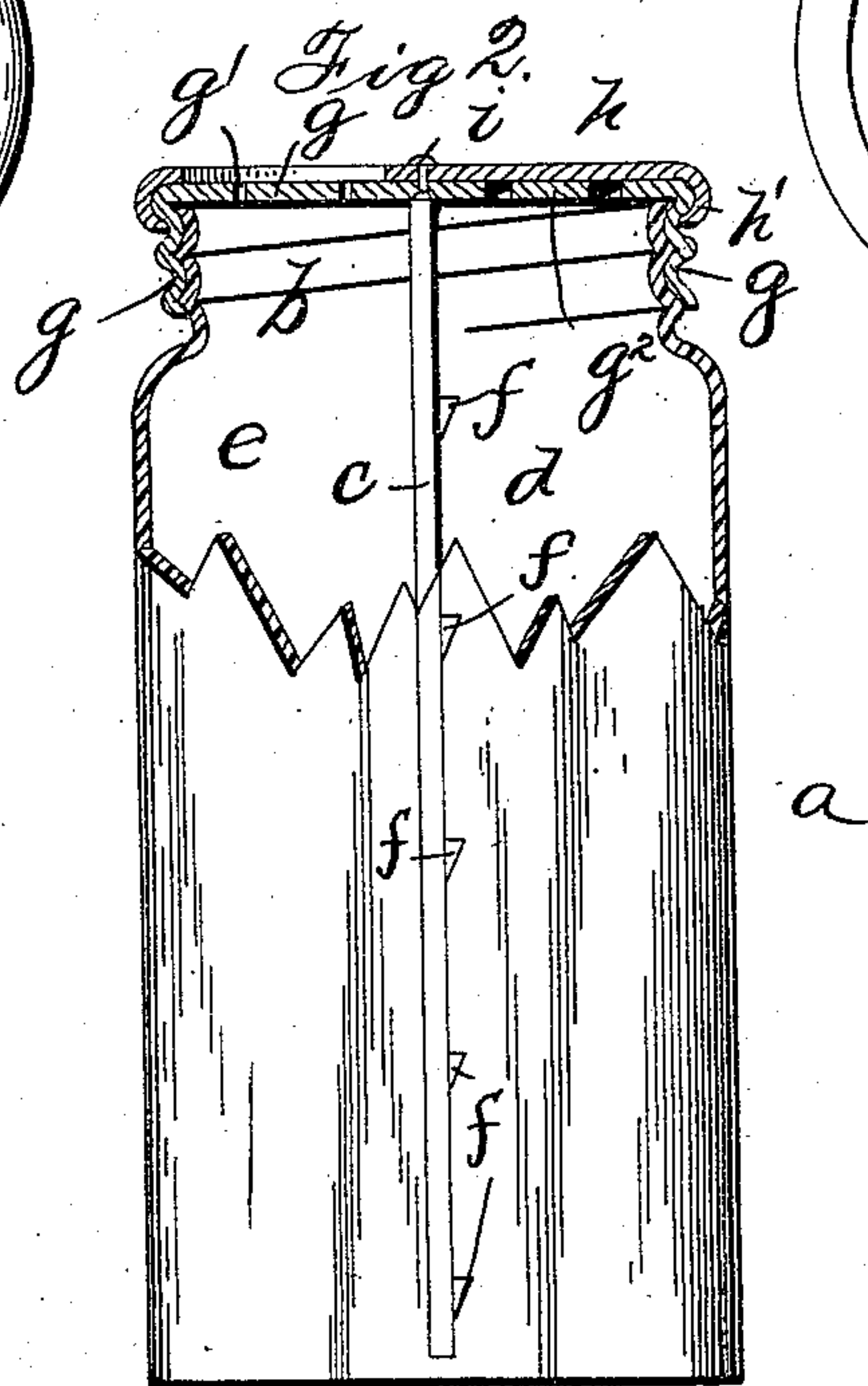
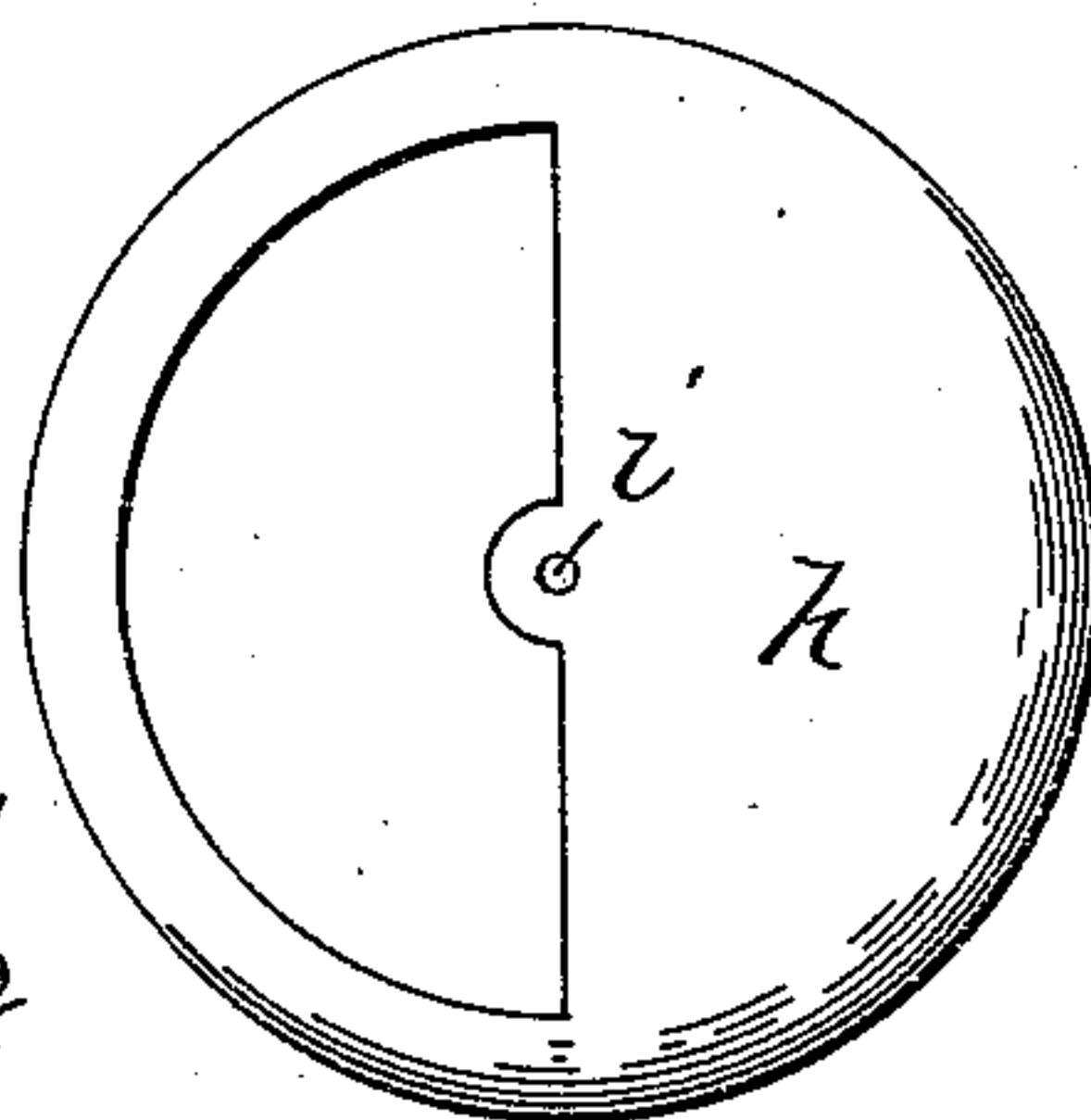


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES C. HENDERSON, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Salt and Pepper Box; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

15 This invention relates to certain improvements in condiment-holders.

The object of the invention is to provide an improved form and construction of condiment-holder having two separate longitudinal compartments, a single cap covering both, having differently-sized holes into each compartment, and a rotary cover to close either set of openings while the other set is open.

25 The invention consists in certain novel features of construction, and in combinations and arrangements of parts, more fully and particularly described hereinafter.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, 30 Figure 1 is a perspective of the salt and pepper holder, showing the holes to the salt-compartment exposed. Fig. 2 is a side elevation, partly in section, the holes from the pepper-compartment being exposed. Fig. 3 is a top plan of the perforated top. Fig. 4 is a detail top plan of the turn-cap arranged to close or open exit from either compartment.

In the drawings, *a* is the holder, of any desirable shape or configuration, with the top 40 mouth usually externally screw-threaded. (See *b*.) This holder can be formed of glass or any suitable metal or other material and can be highly ornamented and rendered an exceedingly beautiful article.

45 *c* is a central longitudinal division arranged in the holder and dividing the interior thereof into two separate longitudinal compartments, *d* for the salt, and *e* for the pepper. This partition passes up in the neck, so that its upper edge is flush with the top edge of the mouth 50 of the bottle or holder.

In order to keep the salt pulverized and

broken up and to prevent the same hardening into a solid mass, the partition is provided with the spurs or projections *f*, arranged 55 along its side, forming one wall of the salt-compartment. These spurs are preferably sharp and are suitably formed on or a part of the partition, so that the salt is broken up by the same as the holder is shaken and the 60 lumps of salt are thrown against the spurs. This is a feature of material importance in such devices.

g is the bottle or holder top, having the screw-threaded lower portion screwing onto 65 the mouth of the bottle and having the flat upper surface provided with the small holes *g'* into the upper end of the pepper-compartment and its opposite half formed with the larger holes *g''* into the salt-compartment. 70

h is the turn-cap, having the downturned edge *h'*, surrounding and turning on the upper end of the top *g*.

i is the central pivot on which the cap concentrically turns and which confines the turn- 75 cap on the top, and this pivot is preferably countersunk at the lower end. This turn-cap is cut out on one side to leave an opening of such size as to expose one set of holes at a time, while the imperforate part of the cap 80 closes the other set of holes.

j is a stop secured on the upper surface of the bottle-top within said cap-opening, so as to permit said cap to rotate one-half way around in either direction and thus cause the 85 imperforate portion to exactly cover either set of openings, while the other set is open.

This article can be quickly and easily operated and yet is exceedingly simple, economical, and durable in construction and 90 composed of a minimum number of parts.

The article is one of great utility and fills a long-felt want.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by 95 Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The receptacle having the exteriorly threaded neck, the internal longitudinal partition having spurs on one side and about flush with the mouth of the receptacle, the 100 cover *g* screwing on the neck of the receptacle and having an annular enlargement around its upper edge and a flat upper surface having perforations on both sides of the

partition, the turn-cap having down turned
edge h' , around said annular enlargement, the
central pivot i , said cap having the cut out
portion to expose either half of the perfora-
5 tions of the cover, and the stop j , substan-
tially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my own I affix my signature in presence of
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