

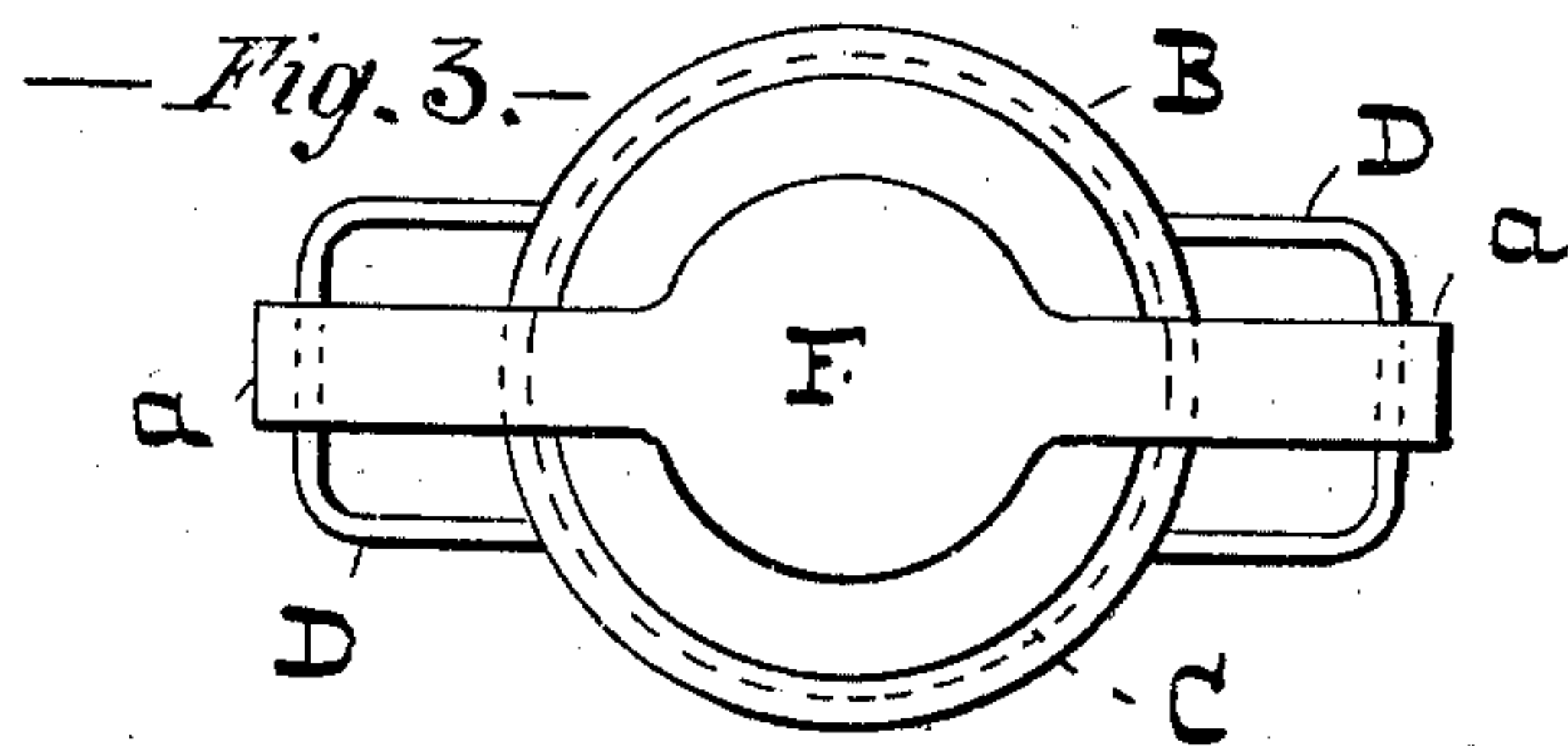
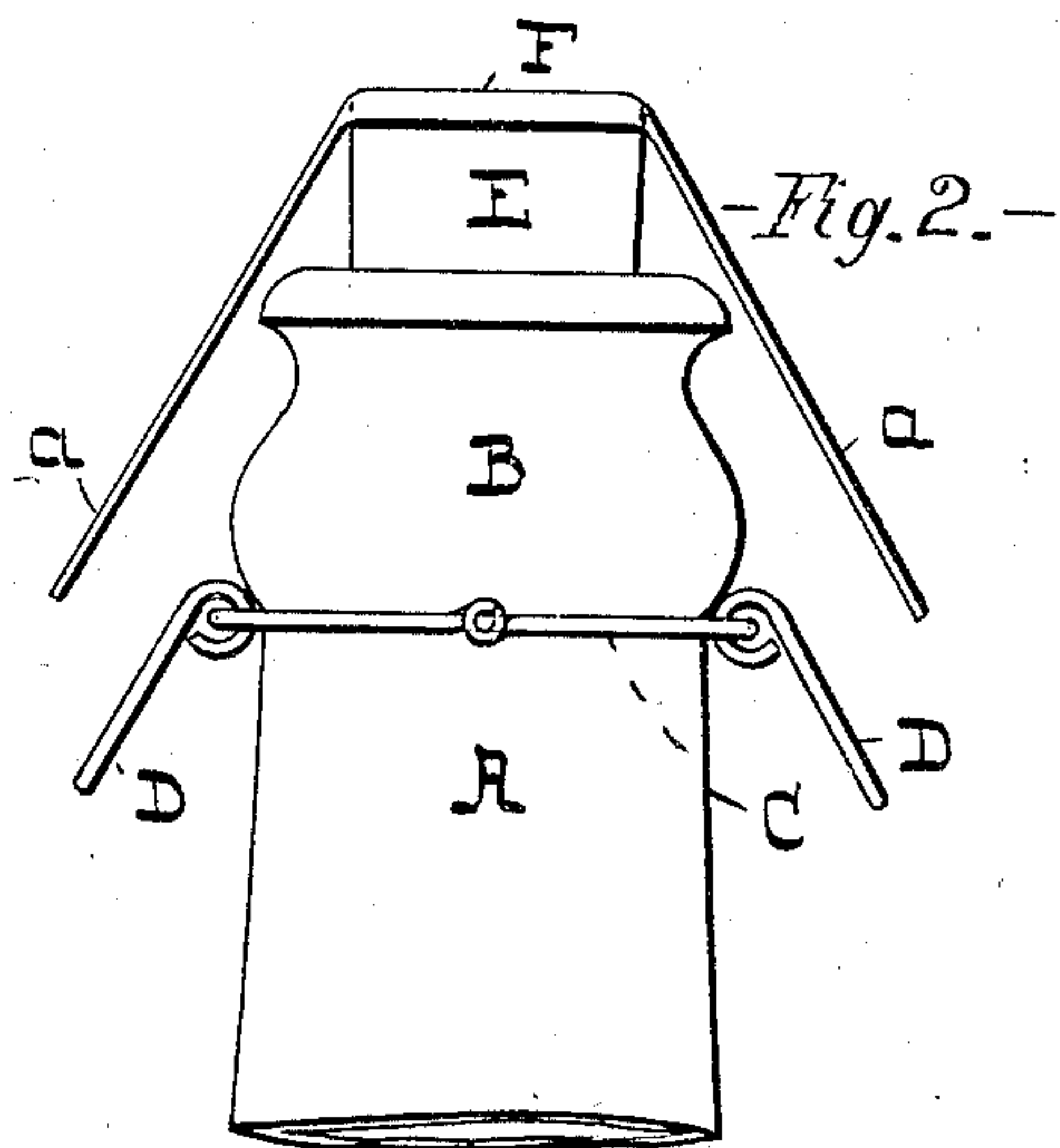
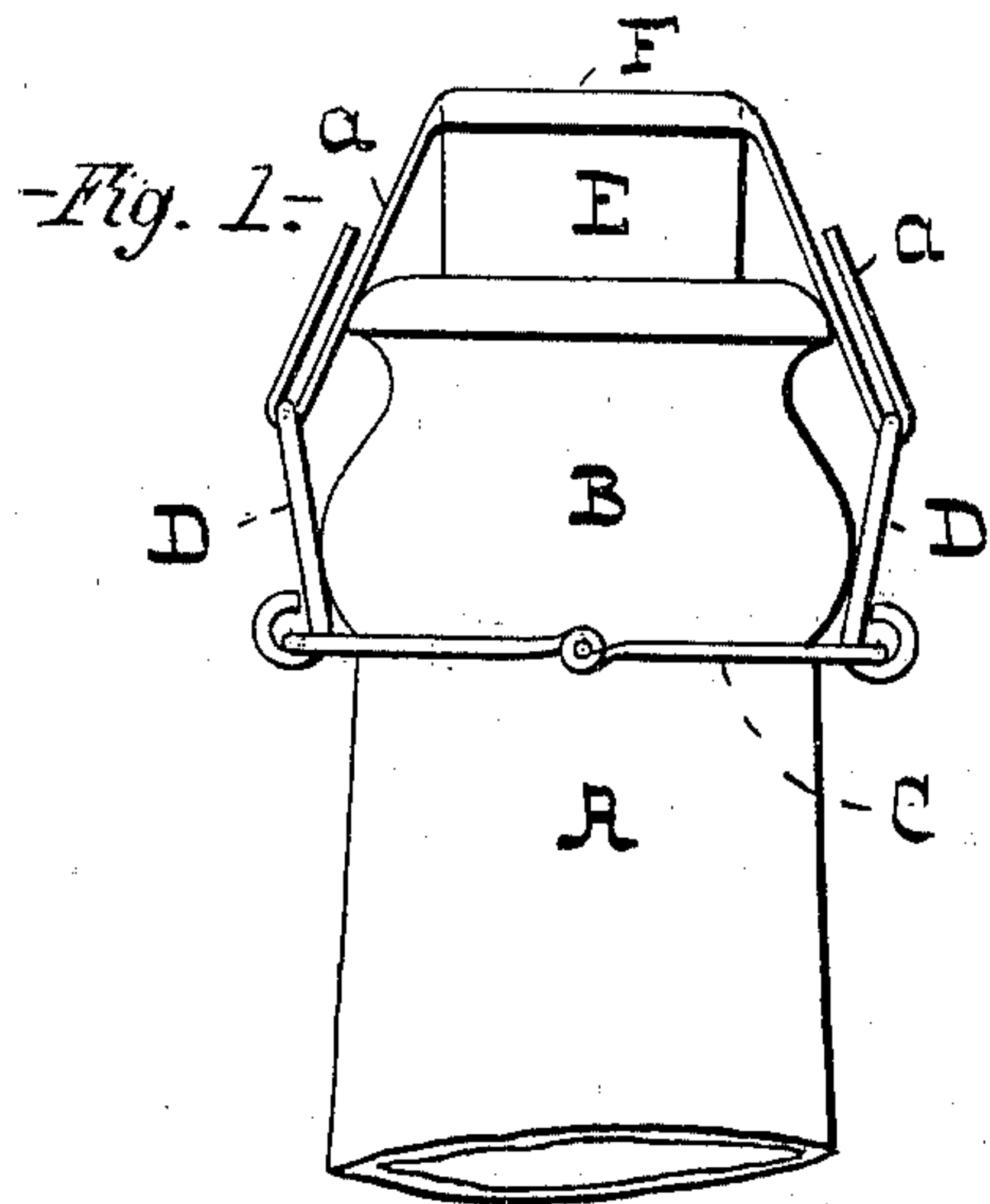
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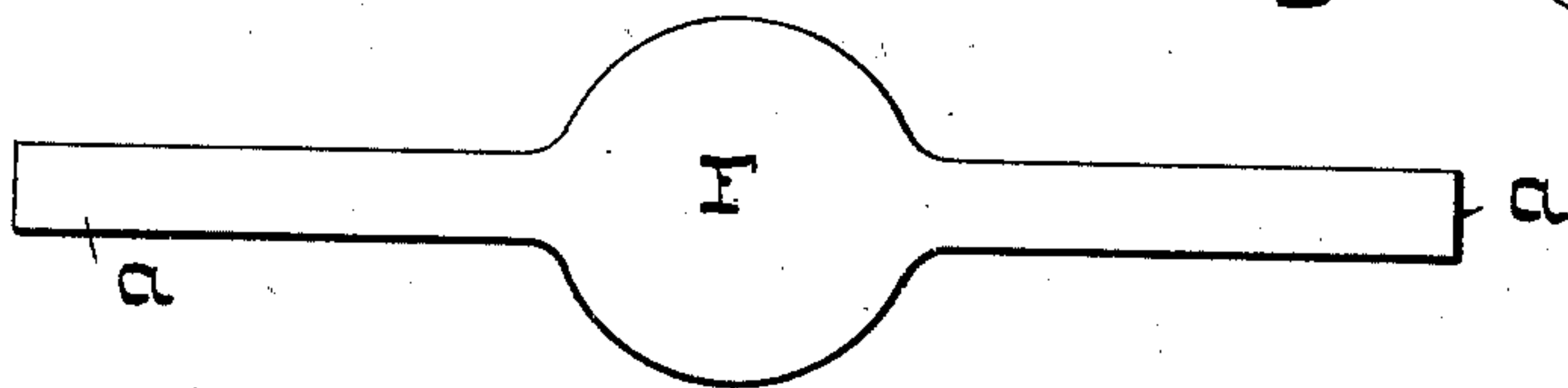
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BOTTLE STOPPER FASTENING.

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*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



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## BOTTLE-STOPPER FASTENING.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALBERT SHARE, of the city of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented certain Improvements in Bottle-Stopper Fastenings, of which the following is a specification.

In the description of the said invention which follows reference is made to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof, and in which—

Figure 1 is an exterior side view of the upper part of a bottle having a stopper therein which is fastened in accordance with the present invention. Fig. 2 is a view similar to Fig. 1, except that the various parts of the stopper-fastening are shown as they appear before the act of securing the stopper in place is completed. Fig. 3 is a top view of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a view of the blank from which the cap part of the fastener is formed. Fig. 5 is a sectional side view of the cap, illustrating a modification in its construction, as hereinafter described.

Referring now to Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the drawings, A represents the neck of a bottle, and B its head.

C is a ring, preferably formed of wire, placed around the neck and immediately below the head. When the ring is formed of wire, the ends of the wire are twisted together, as shown in the drawings.

D D are eyed bails which by preference are pivoted to the wire ring C at opposite sides of the bottle-head. The pivotal attachment of the bails to the ring admits of the bails being freely moved from the position shown in Fig. 2 to that indicated in Fig. 1.

E is a stopper of, say, cork, and F a cap preferably formed of tin-plate having the extended ties *a*, which are adapted to be passed through the bails as a preliminary step in the stopper-fastening operation.

The ties are shown as integral with the cap, the whole being stamped from sheet metal; but the ties may be made separate from the cap and passed through slots *b*, formed in the cap at opposite sides thereof, as shown in Fig. 5. In such an arrangement the ties would consist of a single strip of metal which is passed through the slots and soldered to the inside of the cap.

To secure the stopper in place, the cap is placed over it and the ties bent down until they come in contact with the head of the bottle. The bails are then lifted or turned upward until they strike the ties. The cap is then pressed tightly on the stopper, and while it is so held the ends of the ties are bent upward, as shown in Fig. 1, which completes the fastening operation.

I claim as my invention—

In combination with a bottle having a head, a ring situated under the head, a pair of bails hinged to the said ring, a cap adapted to be placed over a stopper while the same is in the mouth of the bottle, the said cap having extended ties which are adapted to be passed through the hinged bails and to have their ends turned upward, substantially as, and for the purpose specified.

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