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Fig. 1.

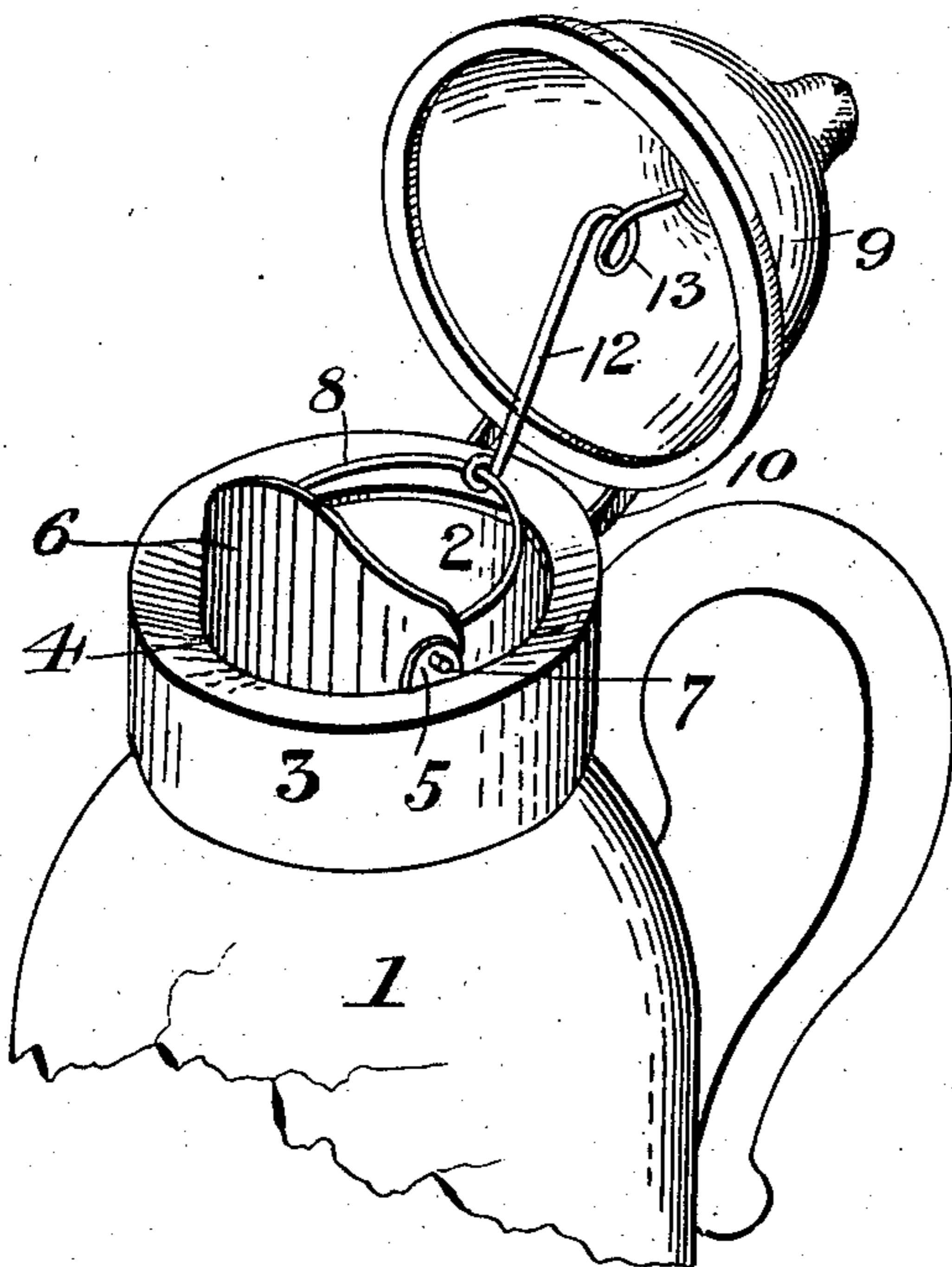


Fig. 2.

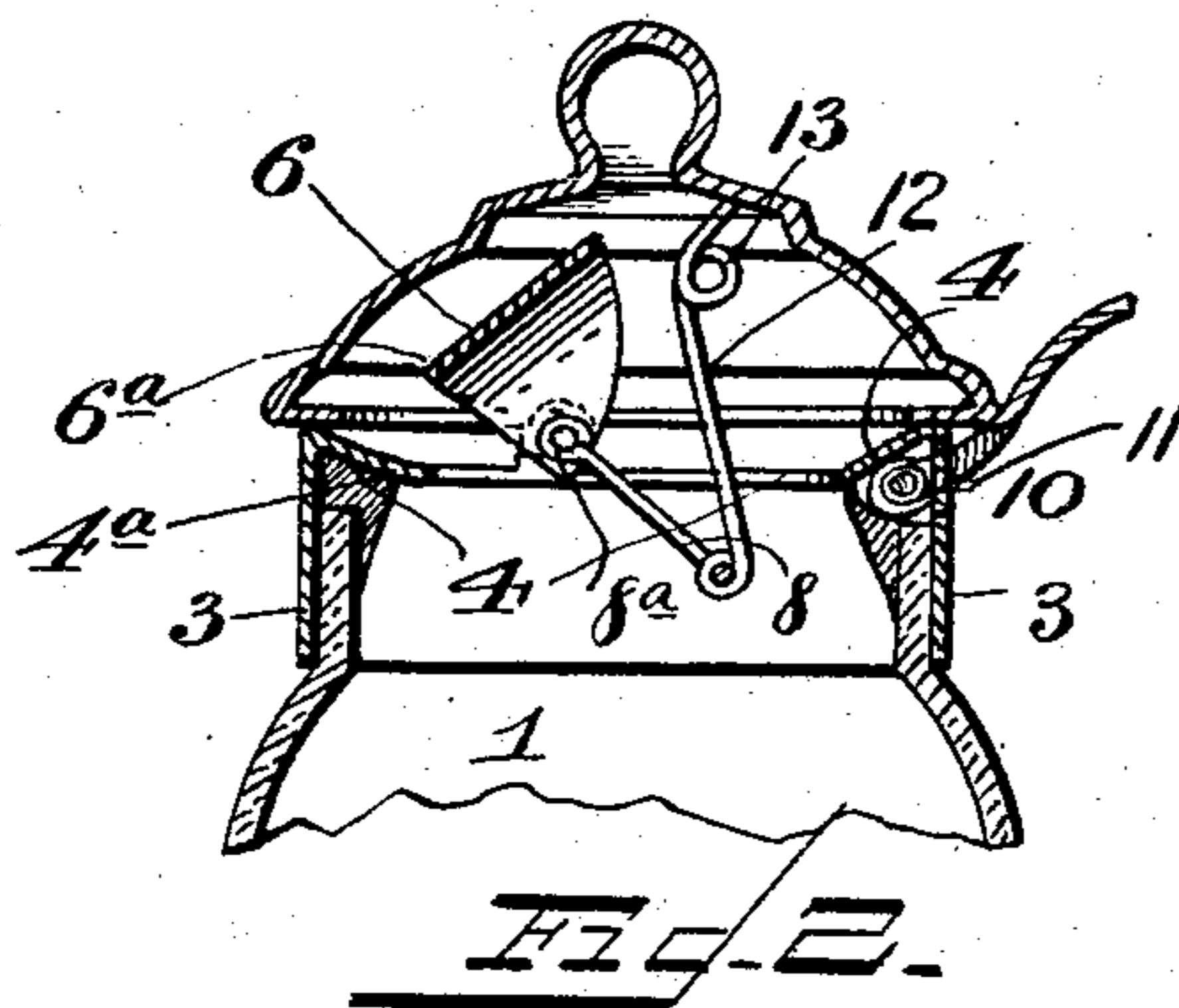
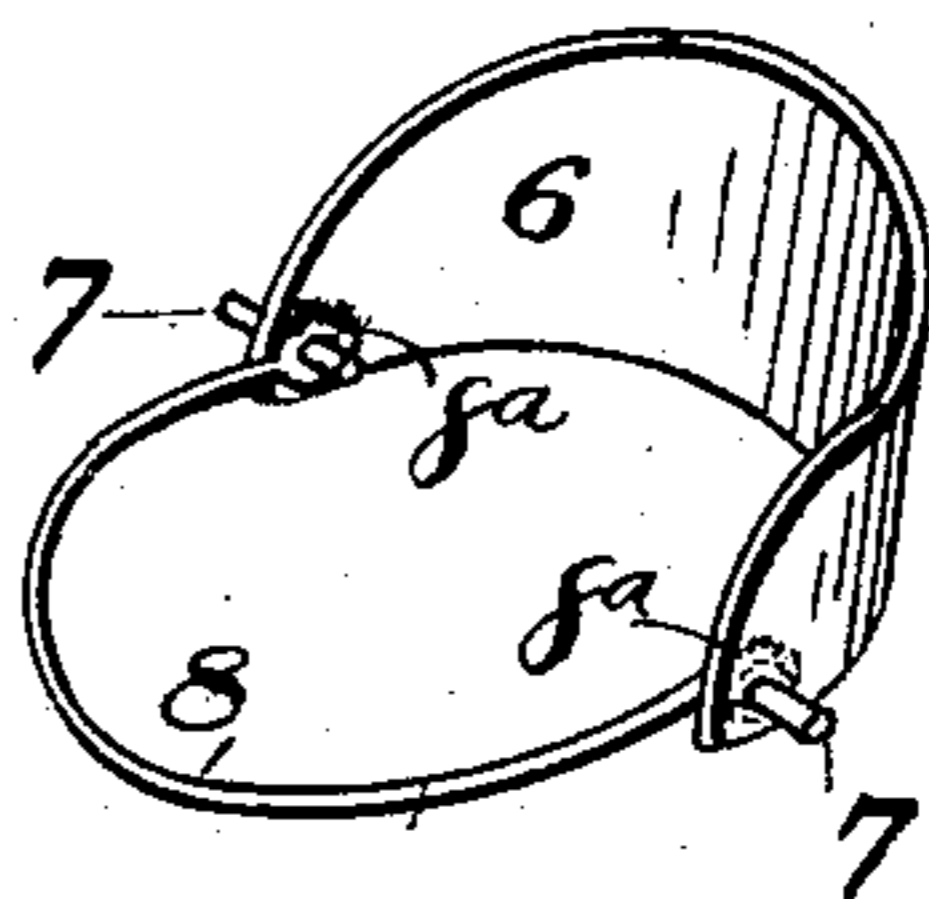


Fig. 3.

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SYRUP-PITCHER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, McDUFFEE BRADFORD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nocona, in the county of Montague and State of Texas, have invented new and useful Improvements in Syrup-Pitchers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in syrup-pitchers; and the object of the same is to construct a device having a movable lip and means for operating it to release the overflow of the syrup and permit it to run back into the pitcher when closed.

The simple and novel construction employed by me in carrying out my invention is fully described and claimed in this specification and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming a part thereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of my improved pitcher with the lid open. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of the same with the lid closed. Fig. 3 is a detail of the lip and bail.

The numeral 1 designates the pitcher, having a contracted neck 2, surmounted by a ring 3, rigidly secured to the rim thereof. The ring 3 has an inwardly-extending downwardly-inclined flange 4, which covers the edge of and extends flush with or beyond the inner wall of the throat of the pitcher. Apertured ears 5 are formed on the flange 4 and located approximately diametrically opposite each other to serve as attachments for a circular lip 6, hinged to said ears by short pintles 7. The lower edge 6^a of the lip 6 is located above the top of the inner edge 4^a of the flange 4, which thereby serves to limit the downward movement of the lip and stop it in a vertical position when at the limit of its movement.

In order to operate the lip 6, a circular bail 8 is rigidly attached at its extremities to the lip. Eyes 8^a are formed on the bail 8 and surround the pintles 7 to strengthen the hinges of the lip. A lid 9 for the pitcher is hinged at 10 to the ring 3 at a point equally distant from the hinges of the lip 6, and a spring 11 serves to operate the hinge to close the cover 9. To operate the bail 8 by the opening of the cover 9, a resilient arm 12 is rigidly at-

tached at one end to the inside of the apex of the dome of the lid 9 and pivoted at the other end to the center of the bail 8. A coil 13 is formed in the arm 12 to serve to assist in closing the lid. In fact, the spring 13 renders the spring 11 superfluous.

When the pitcher is in its normal closed position, as shown in Fig. 2, the arms 12 will hold the bail 8 down, which action will tilt the lip 6 up clear of the rim 4 and prevent the damming up of the overflow of the syrup by the lip on the flange 4, as is usual, where it soon turns to sugar. On opening the lid 9 by the use of the thumb-piece 9^a the bail 8 will be raised up through the action of the arm 12, thereby actuating the lip 6 to bring it into a position perpendicular to the ring 3 and engaging the inner edge 4^a thereof. The lip 6 will then be in position to guide the syrup poured out. When all that is required has been poured out, the cover 9 is released and will be shut by the springs 10 and 13, thereby raising the center of the lip 6 clear of the flange 4 and permitting the overflow to run back into the pitcher.

I do not wish to be limited as to details of construction, as these may be varied in many particulars without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a syrup-pitcher, the combination with a neck surrounded by an inwardly-extending flange bearing apertured ears, a lip hinged to said ears and located to engage the inner edge of said flange, a lid hinged to said neck, an arm rigidly attached to said lid, and a bail fixed to said lip and having pivoted thereto said arm whereby said lip is tilted up clear of said flange when said lid is closed to obviate the damming up of the overflow by said lip, substantially as described.

2. A syrup-pitcher having a ring around its neck portion provided with an inward-inclined flange, a lip pivoted laterally, at its inner rear angle or edge, to lateral ears upstanding from said flange, at its inner annular edge, said lip

being normally upraised from said flange, a
hinged or pivoted lid, a bail with its ends fixed
to said lip, and an arm centrally pivoted to
said bail and fixed to said lid and having a
5 coiled or looped spring intermediately of its
points of connection with said lid and bail.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set

my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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