

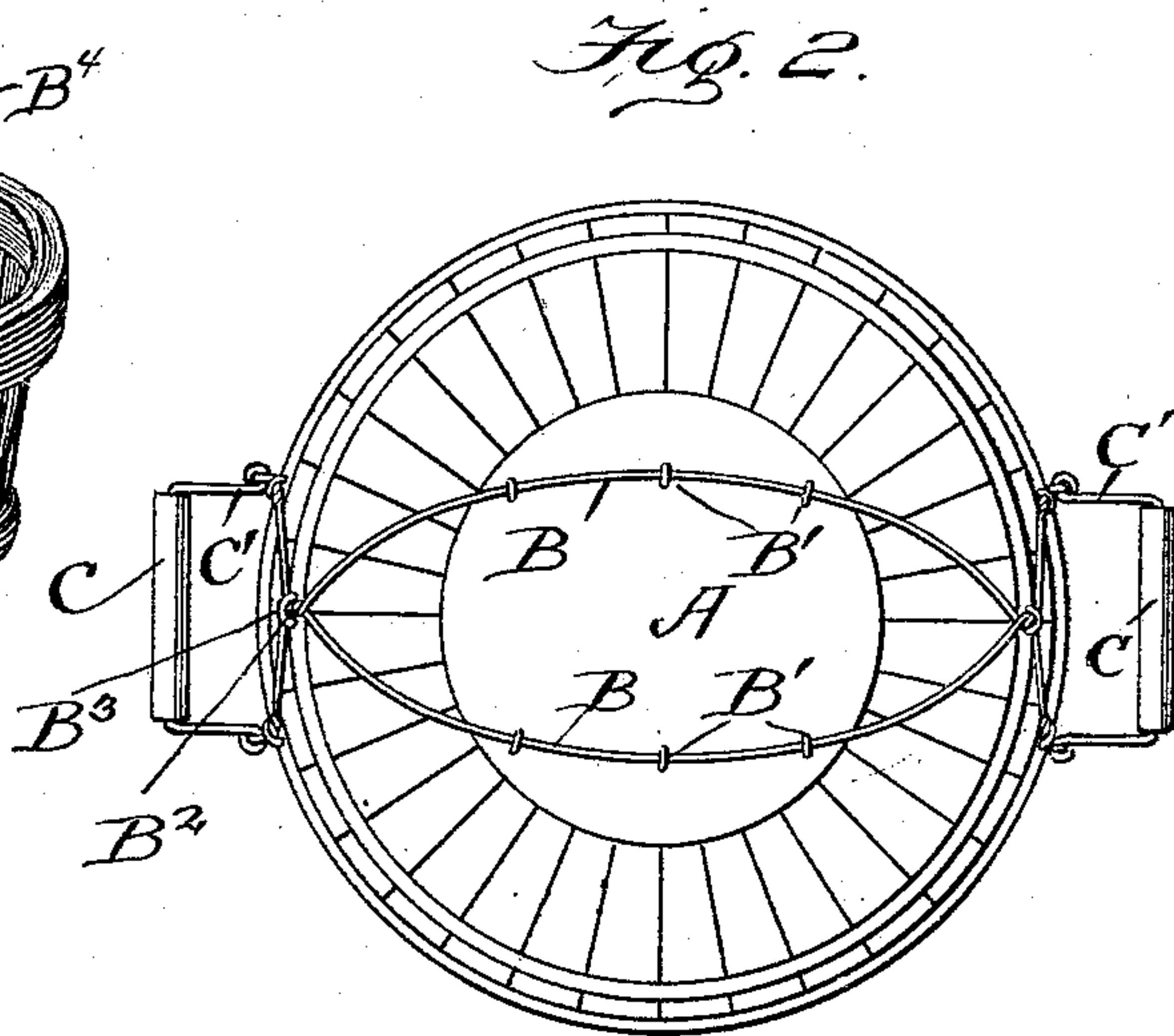
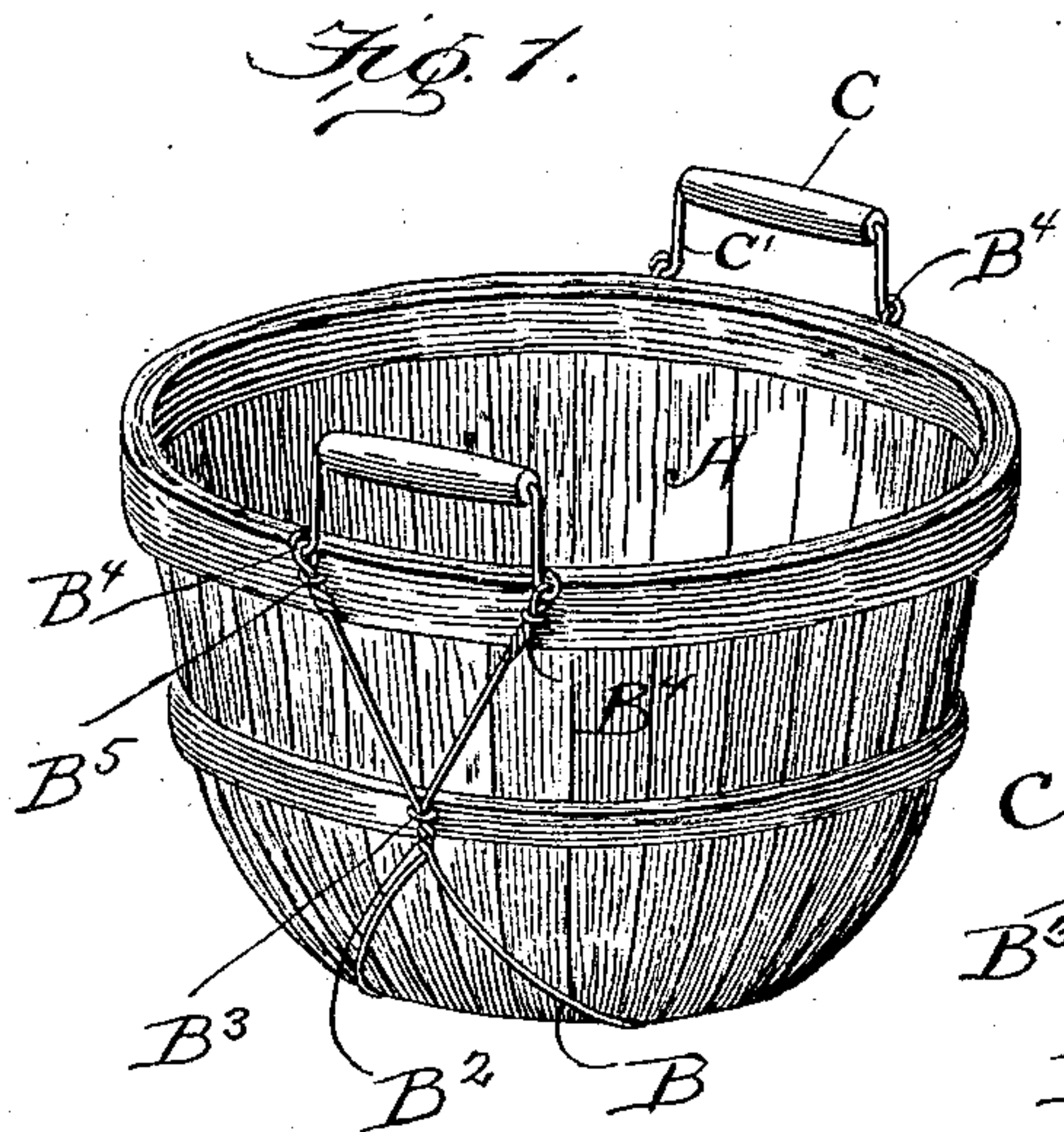
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JESSE JACOB BLUE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Montpelier, in the county of Williams and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Carrier - Handles for Baskets and Crates, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates generally to baskets, and more particularly to an improved means for connecting the handles to the baskets.

Heretofore cheap baskets, such as commonly employed by farmers, merchants, and the like, have been so constructed that the handles quickly pull out or the top rim of the basket, to which the handles are attached, quickly pull off, thereby rendering the basket practically useless.

The object of the invention is to provide an improved means for attaching the handles and which can be used in connection with any of the baskets now in common use, thereby greatly increasing the durability and usefulness of the basket without materially adding to the cost thereof.

With these objects in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction and arrangement hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an ordinary bushel-basket provided with my improvement. Fig. 2 is an inverted bottom plan view of the same.

Referring now to Fig. 1, A indicates the ordinary rush basket, circular in form and commonly known as the "bushel-basket." BB are

two strands of wire secured to the bottom of the basket by means of staples B', the strands being twisted together, as shown at B<sup>2</sup>, and attached to one of the intermediate hoops of the basket by means of staples B<sup>3</sup>, the outer ends of each wire strand being formed into an eye B<sup>4</sup>, said end being secured to the top hoop by means of staples B<sup>5</sup>, and the handles C have their bails C' connected to the eyes B<sup>4</sup>.

It is obvious that by means of this construction all the strain is placed directly upon the wire strands, which strands are connected to the bottom of the basket at distant points and also connected to the opposite sides of the basket midway its height and to the top of the basket at the opposite sides and at four different points. Thus the strain is evenly divided.

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

A device of the kind described comprising a cylindrical receptacle having two strands of wires secured upon its bottom and substantially parallel to each other and spaced apart, said wires passing up opposite sides of the receptacle and being twisted upon each other intermediate the top and bottom of the receptacle, the twisted portions being secured to the sides of the receptacles, the upper free ends of the wires diverging and terminating in eyes, and a bail secured upon each side of the receptacle to the said eyes.

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