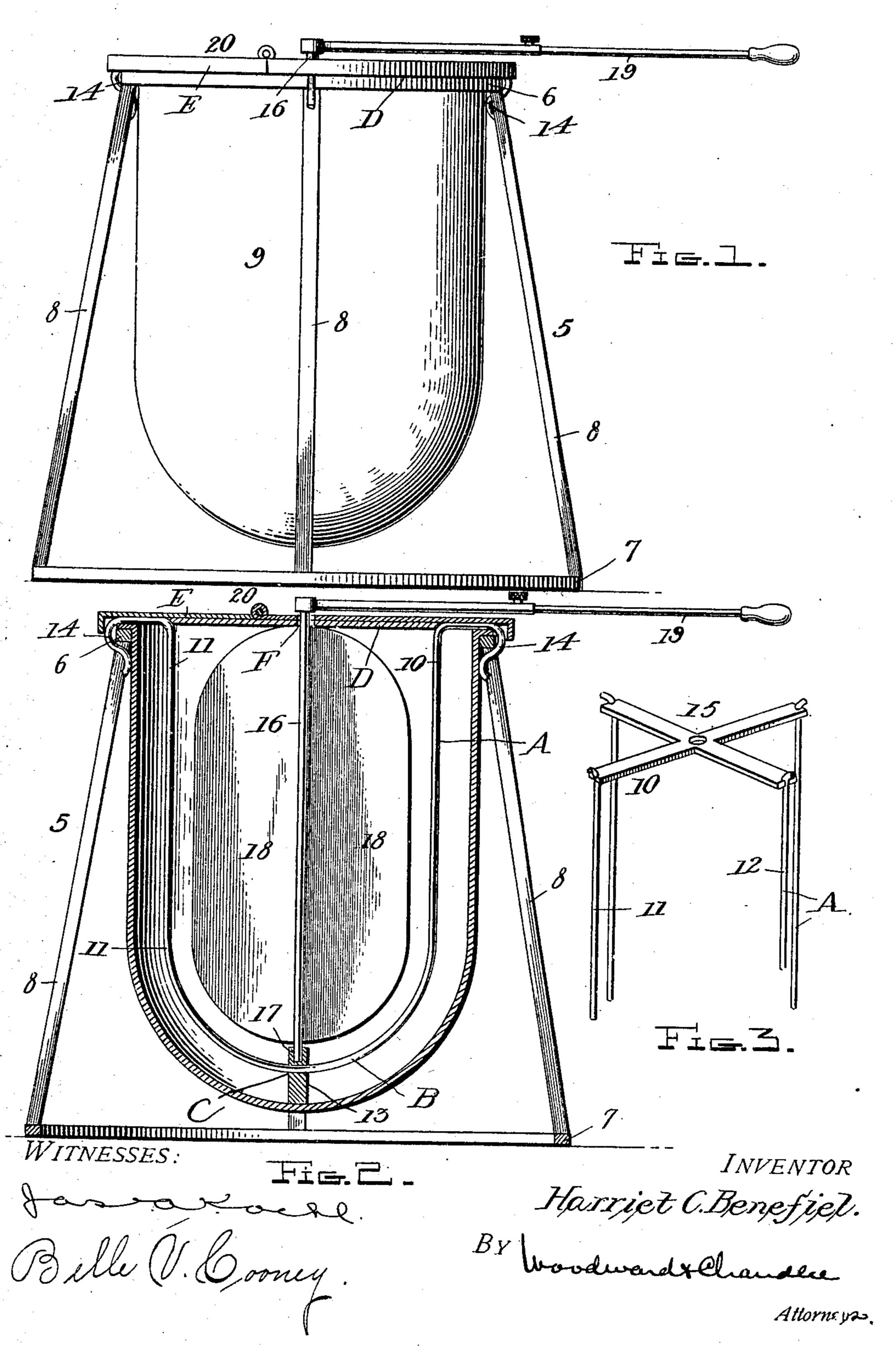
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that Harriet C. Benefiel, a citizen of the United States, residing at Vandalia, in the county of Fayette and 5 State of Illinois, has invented certain new and useful Improvements in Kettles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to cookers, and more particularly to those designed for cooking apple butter, maple syrup, etc., which is generally done out-of-doors, over open fires, and has for its object to provide a cooker of this kind which will include a receptacle and a support therefor and which will also include stirring mechanism adapted for use in different receptacles.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description and it will be understood that changes in the specific structure shown and described may be made within the scope of the claims without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is an elevational view of the present invention; Fig. 2 is a vertical section; showing the structure of the support and stirrer. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view.

Referring now to the drawings, there is shown a support 5 consisting of upper and lower metallic rings 6 and 7 respectively, the former being somewhat smaller than the latter, and are connected by upwardly and inwardly slanted rods 8. The lower ring thus acts as a base, while the upper is disposed and arranged to receive therewithin a receptacle 9, having the form of the usual 40 pot.

Removably disposed within the receptacle 9, there is a support 10, which consists of two yokes 11 and 12, each including spaced legs A and a curved portion B. The yokes are disposed with the portions B in crossed relation, and the portions B are engaged in openings C formed in a socket block 13, which extends downwardly to form a foot piece, as will be apparent from the drawings.

In use, the yokes are disposed within the receptacle, as shown, with the socket block resting at its lower end upon the bottom of the receptacle, to support the yokes, and at their upper portions, the yokes are bent out-

wardly and downwardly to form clips 14 for 55 the engagement of the edge of the receptacle 9. A bridge piece 15 is secured at its end to the legs A of the yokes, adjacent to the upper ends thereof, these bridge pieces being crossed, as shown, and perforated for 60 the reception of a vertical shaft 16, revolubly engaged therein and seated at its lower end in a socket 17 formed in the socket piece 13. The shaft 16 carries laterally extending wings 18, and has detachably secured to its upper 65 end above the bridge pieces, a handle 19 by which it may be operated, as will be readily understood.

A lid 20 is provided for closing the receptacle, and this lid is formed in two sections 70 D and E respectively. The section D is provided with an opening F in which the shaft 16 is engaged.

What is claimed is:

1. In a cooker, the combination with a receptacle, of a support removably disposed therewithin, said support including yokes having curved portions and upwardly extending legs, a socket block engaged in the curved portions and extending downwardly 80 to rest against the bottom of the receptacle, bridge pieces secured to the legs at the upper ends thereof, a shaft revolubly engaged in the bridge pieces and seated at its lower end in the socket block, a handle for the shaft, 85 said yoke legs being removably engaged with the receptacle and wings carried by the shaft.

2. In a cooker, the combination with a receptacle, of a support removably disposed 90 therewithin, said support including yokes having curved portions and upwardly extending legs, a socket block engaged in the curved portions and extending downwardly to rest against the bottom of the receptacle, 95 bridge pieces secured to the legs at the upper ends thereof, a shaft revolubly engaged in the bridge pieces and seated at its lower end in the socket block, a handle carried by the shaft, said yoke legs being engaged over the 100 edge of the receptacle at their upper ends, and wings carried by the shaft.

In testimony whereof she affixes her signature, in presence of two witnesses.

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