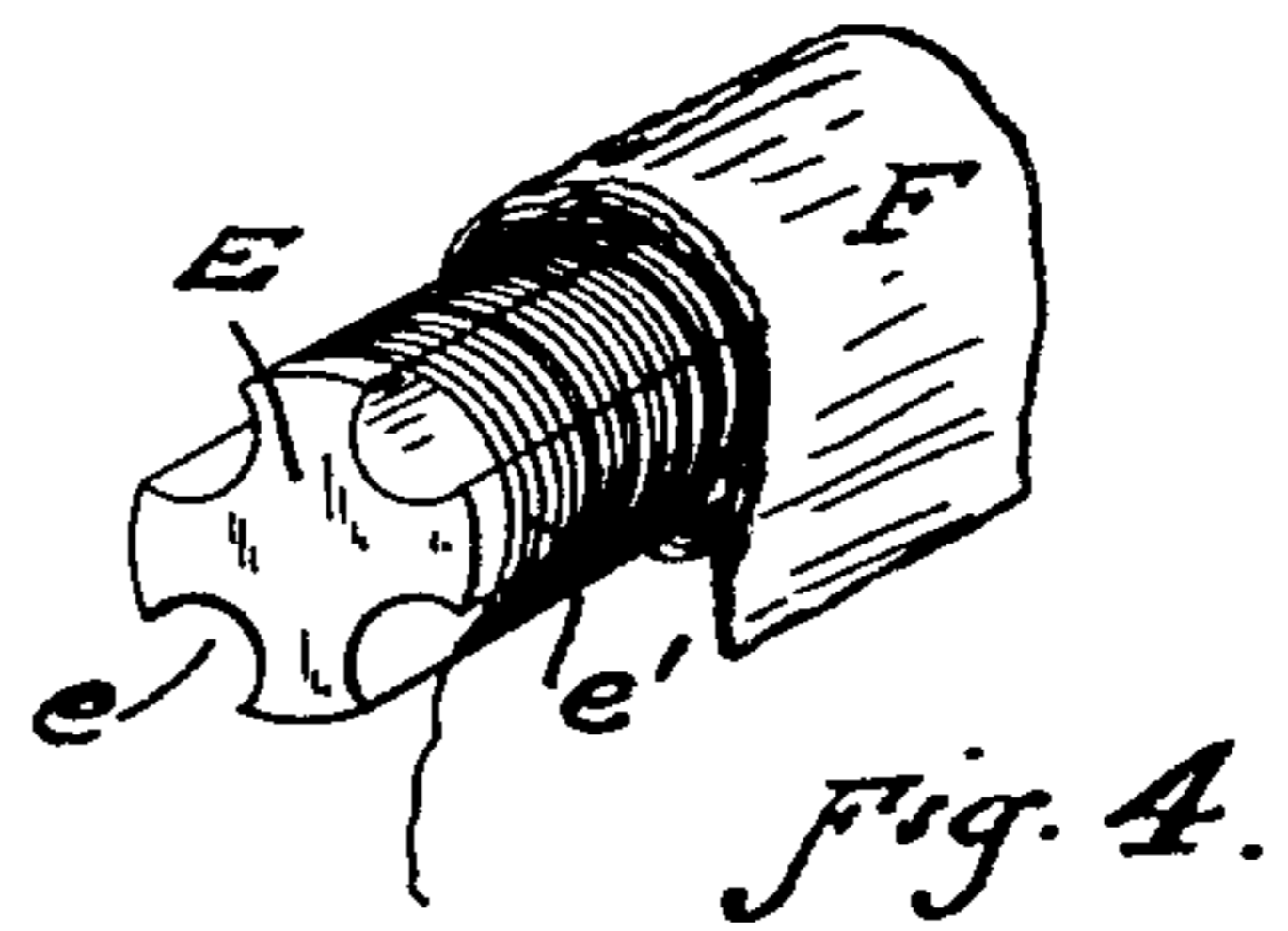
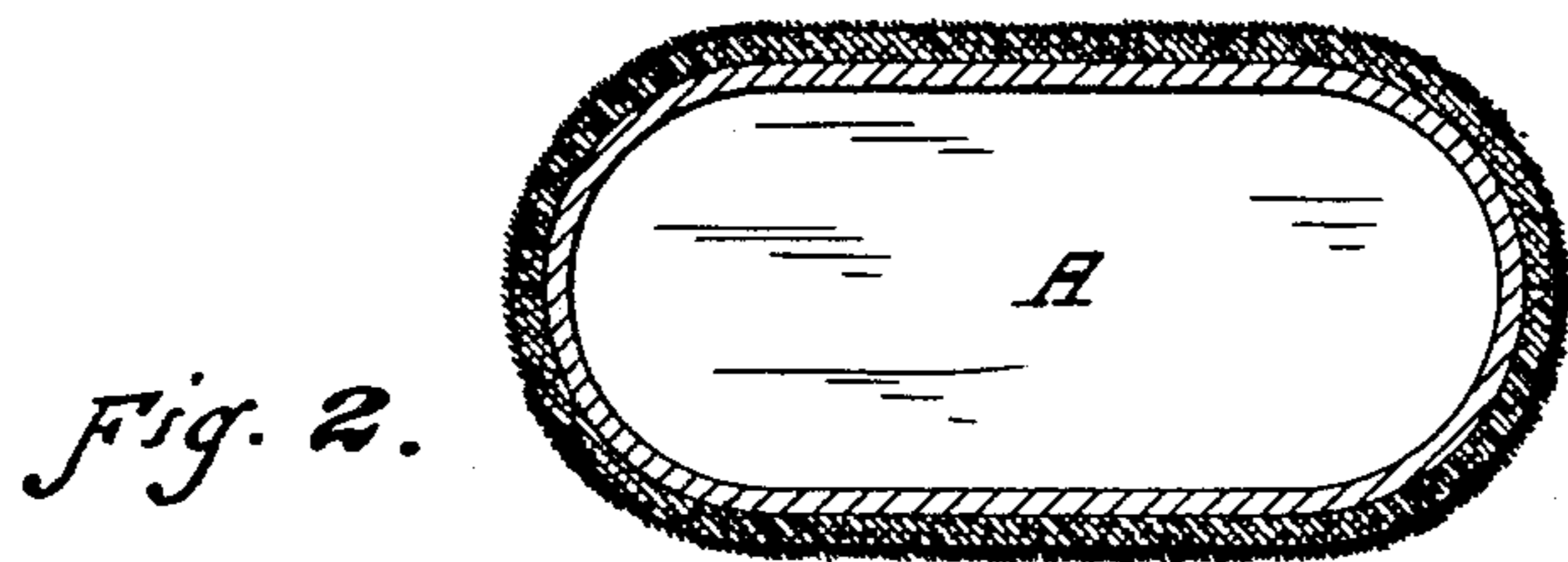
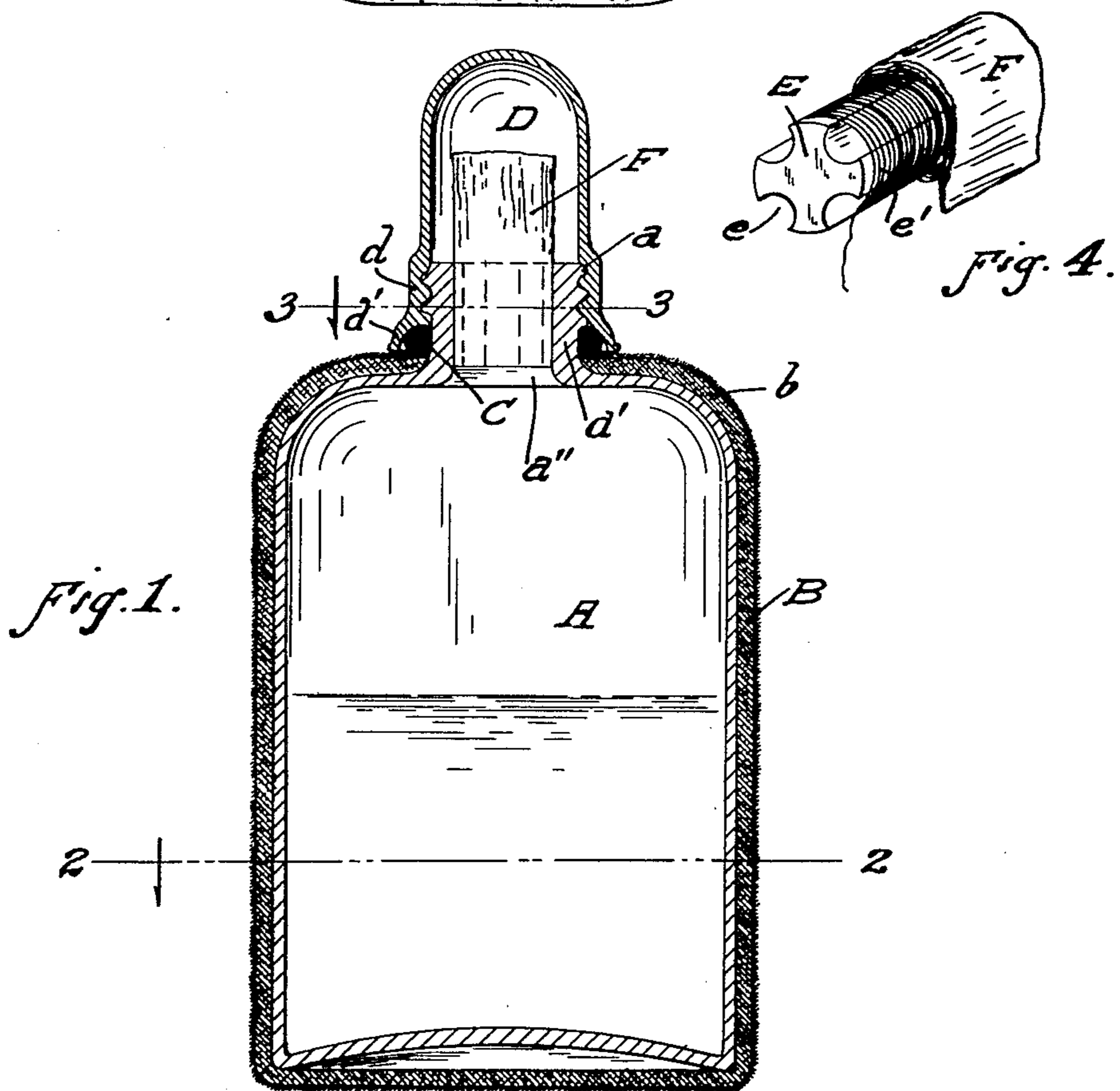
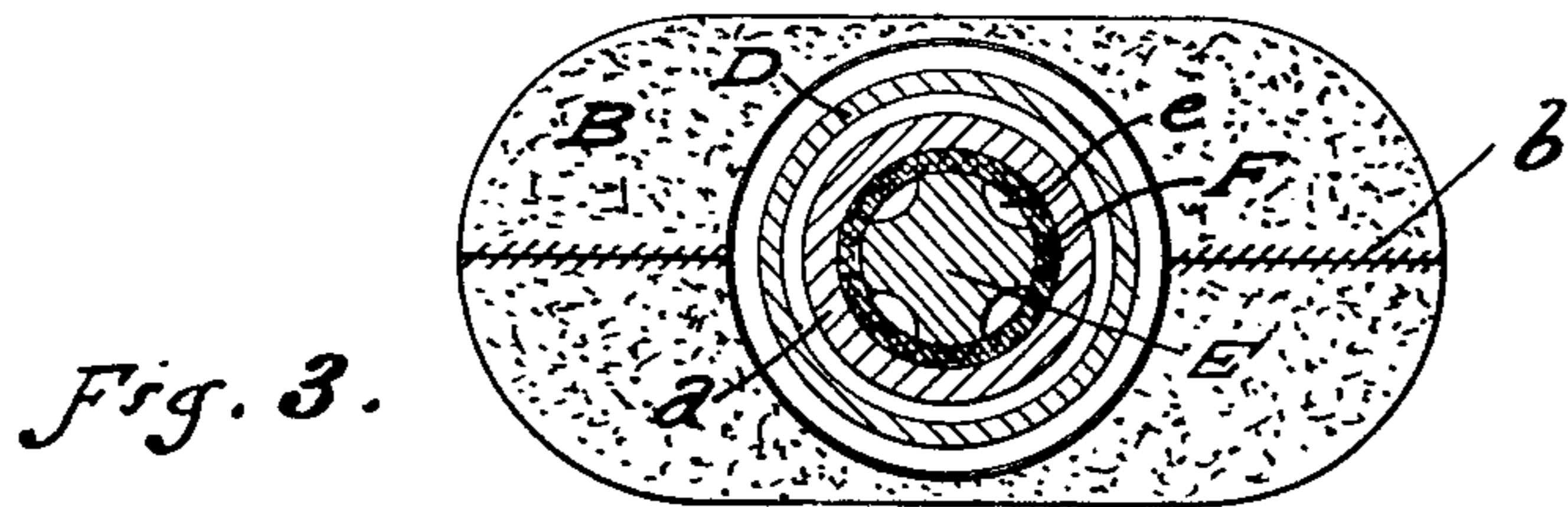


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LAFAYETTE J. HARDIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Sherman, in the county of Sangamon and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Shoe-Polisher, of which the following is such a full, clear, and exact description as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use my said invention.

This invention relates to shoe polishers of that class in which the polishing compound is contained within the shoe polisher.

The objects of this invention are to provide a shoe polisher having an internal chamber adapted to contain the shoe polish; having an outer covering suitable to serve as a rubber or polisher; having a dauber adapted to be supplied with said polish from the chamber of the polisher and having a cover adapted to serve as a handle and also adapted to prevent evaporation and waste of the polishing material.

With these ends in view my invention consists in the novel features of construction and combinations of parts shown in the annexed drawing to which reference is hereby made; and hereinafter particularly described and finally recited in the claims.

Referring to the drawings in which similar reference letters and characters designate like parts in the several views; Figure 1 is a longitudinal axial section through the shoe polisher; Fig. 2 is a horizontal transverse section through the body of the polisher on the line 2. 2. of Fig. 1; Fig. 3 is a horizontal transverse section on the line 3. 3. of Fig. 1 and Fig. 4 is an enlarged isometric projection of the dauber detached, part of the wrapping being shown as broken away to uncover the core and winding of the dauber.

The main structure consists of a bottle or flask A, preferably of glass, having a screw threaded part *a* and a reduced neck *a'*. The flask A is covered with a soft and yielding covering B preferably of canton flannel or other similar material having a long nap such as is common on polishing cloths. The polisher B is secured on the flask A by stitchings *b* or may be secured in any other suitable manner.

A ring C of vulcanized rubber or other

suitable material fits snugly around the neck *a'*. A cup shaped handle D preferably of thin metal, has a screw threaded part *d* fitting on the screw threaded part *a* of the flask and a flaring part *d'* fitting closely on the ring C when the handle is screwed down. A cork E of less diameter than the throat *a''* of the flask has longitudinal channels *e* through which the contents of the flask is discharged into the dauber. A winding *e'* surrounds the cork E as shown in Fig. 4 and prevents the fabric F which surrounds the cork from entering into and obstructing the channels *e*. A fabric F of canton flannel or other suitable material is wound around the cork E and on the outside of the winding *e* to produce a dauber of suitable size to fit snugly in the throat *a''*.

I have shown and described a dauber having a core of cork provided with channels and a wrapper of cloth surrounding the said core; but any other suitable perforated dauber adapted to permit the flow of the polish through the dauber, may be used without departure from my invention.

In the practical use of the shoe polisher the polishing material will be poured into the flask, the dauber will then be inserted in the throat of the flask, and upon inverting the flask the polishing material will flow through the channels *e* in the core E and may be spread by rubbing the dauber to and fro upon the shoes, and when the polish has been properly applied the handle D may be screwed upon the flask; and holding the handle in the hand the operator may rub the covering B upon the surface to which the polishing material has been applied and by continued rubbing may produce the desired polish.

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

1. The combination of a flask adapted to contain a polishing compound and having a throat, a dauber consisting of a channeled core and a wrapping surrounding said core and fitting in the throat of said flask, a fibrous covering on said flask and a hollow handle on said flask inclosing said dauber.

2. A dauber comprising, a cork core having longitudinal channels, a winding sur-

rounding said core and a wrapping surrounding said winding; in combination with a flask having a chamber adapted to contain a polishing compound, and a throat in which  
5 said dauber fits; and a hollow handle fitting on said flask and inclosing said dauber.

In witness whereof I have hereunto sub-

scribed my name at Springfield Illinois this 3d day of July 1907.

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