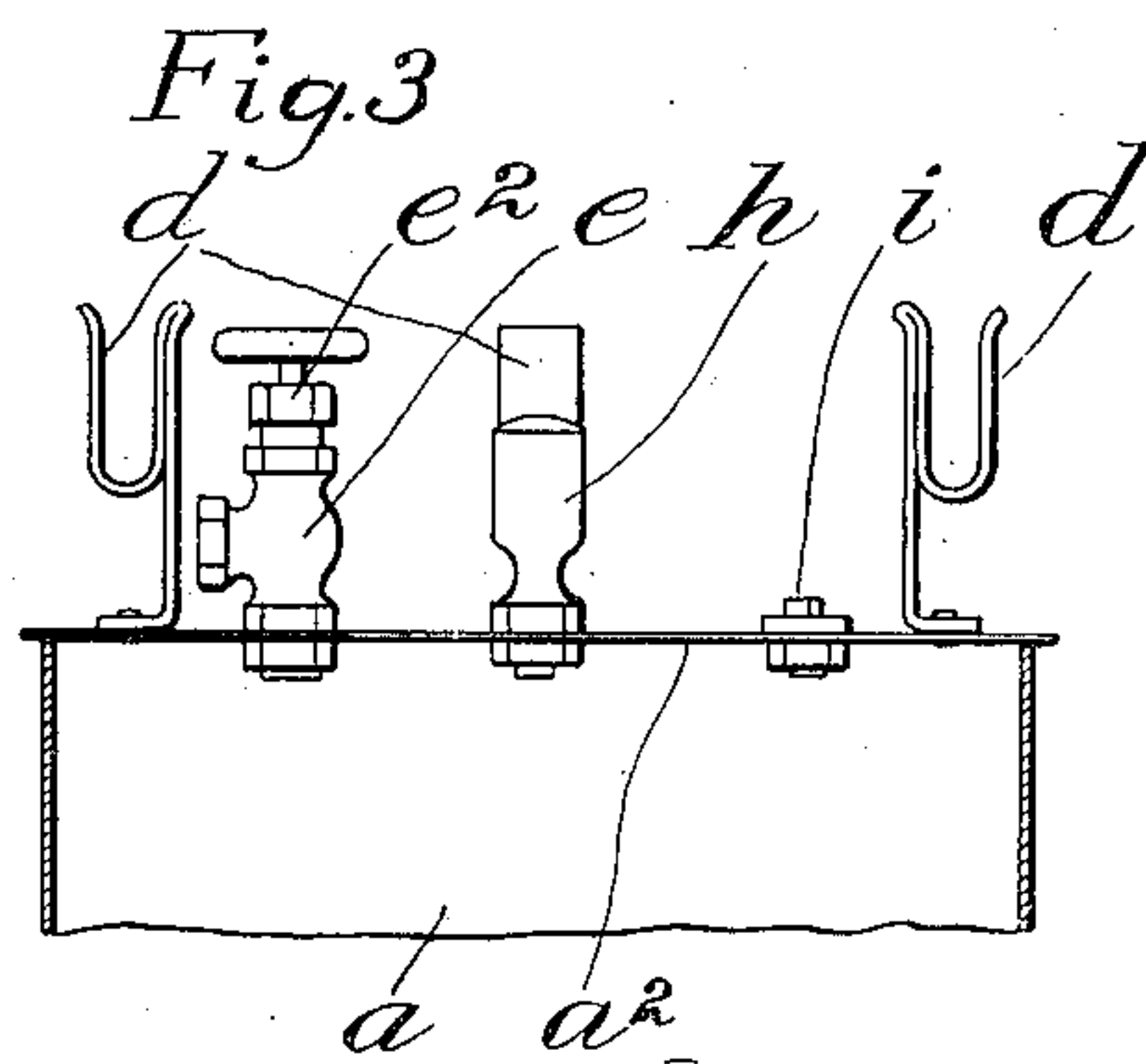
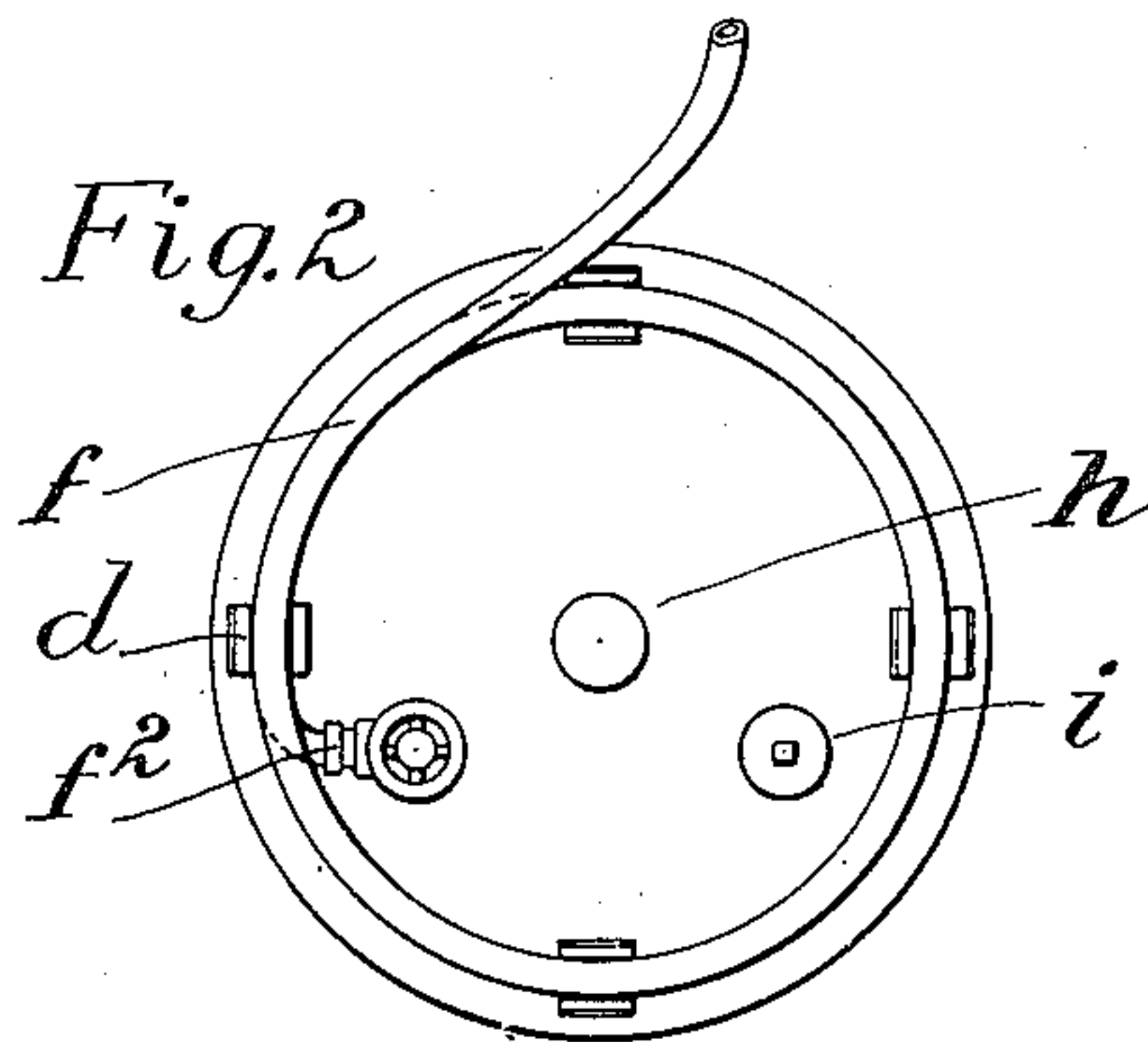
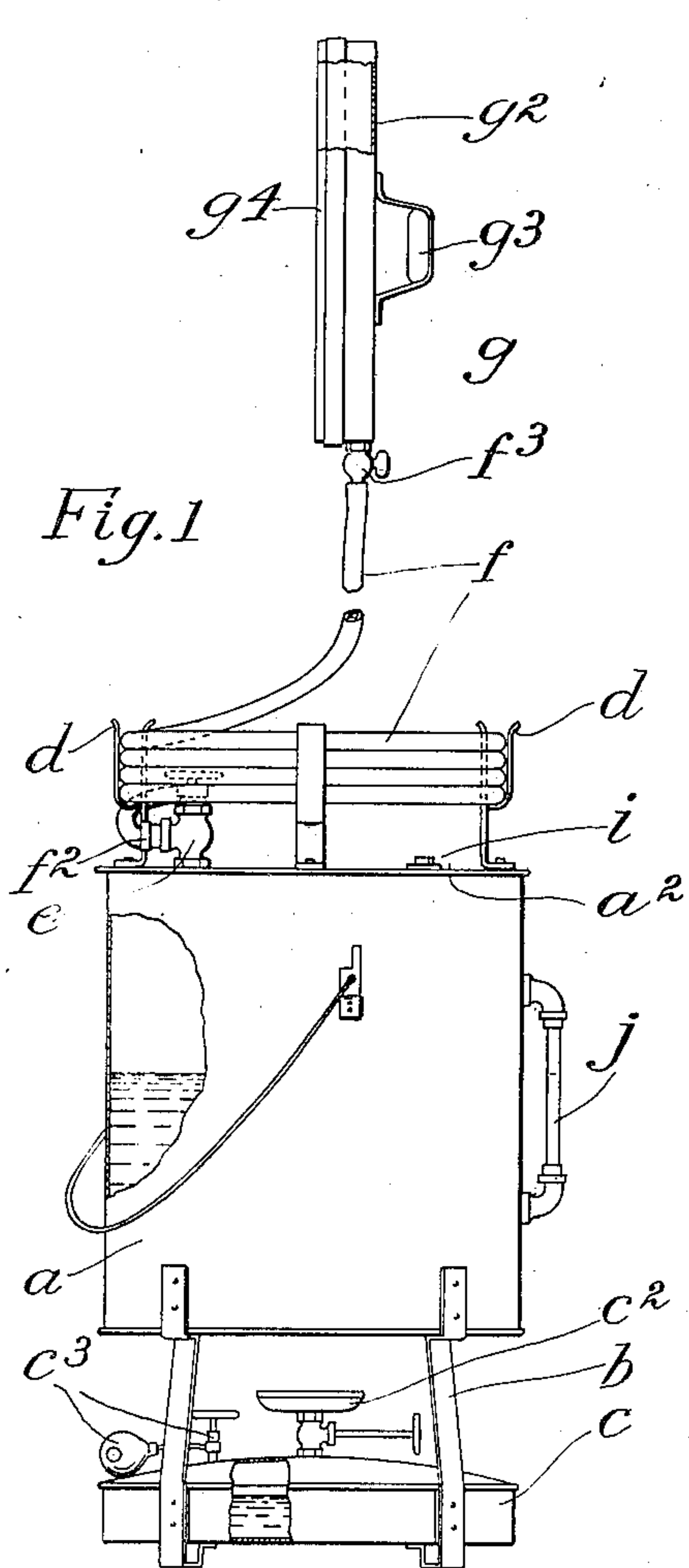


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWARD WURMFELD and SAMUEL WOLPERT, citizens, respectively, of the United States and the Empire of Russia, and residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Apparatus for Removing Wall-Paper from Walls, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to apparatus for removing wall paper from walls; and the object thereof is to provide an improved apparatus or device of this class which may be conveniently used, and by means of which old wall paper on a wall may be quickly saturated and loosened so that it may be easily scraped off; a further object being to provide an apparatus of the class specified which is portable and may be conveniently carried about or moved about from point to point, and which is complete in itself and always ready for use.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawing forms a part, in which the separate parts of our improvement are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which;—

Figure 1 is a side view of our improved apparatus with part of the construction broken away, Fig. 2 a partial plan view thereof, and;— Fig. 3 a sectional side view of the top portion of a boiler tank forming part of the apparatus.

In the practice of our invention, we provide a suitable tank *a* which may be of any desired dimensions and which is designed to contain water to be heated for the production of steam. The tank *a* is provided with legs *b* which also support a hydro-carbon reservoir *c* provided with any suitable burner *c*² by which the tank *a* or the water therein may be heated, and the reservoir *c* is preferably provided with an air compressing device *c*³ whereby air may be compressed therein so as to put the contents thereof under pressure. The heater beneath the tank *a*, however, forms no part of our invention, and a gas burner or other suitable heating attachments may be provided, and if a gas burner is employed an ordinary hose con-

nection may also be employed for connecting the burner with a gas fixture at any point.

Secured to the top *a*² of the tank *a* and arranged in a circle thereon are yoke-shaped keepers *d*, any desired number of which may be employed, and connected with the top *a*² of the tank *a* is a hose coupling *e* with which is connected a flexible hose *f*, this connection being shown at *f*², and in practice the hose *f* is formed into a coil in the keepers *d* as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

Connected with the hose *f* is a pan-shaped device *g* which may be either circular, angular or elliptical in form and the front of which is open and the back *g*² of which is provided with a handle *g*³, and the rim of the pan is provided with a rubber or other suitable soft flexible cushion *g*⁴. The pan *g*, in itself, is of well known form and construction and forms no part of our invention.

The hose coupling *e* is provided with a valve *e*², and the hose *f* is also provided adjacent to the pan *g* with a valve *f*³. The top *a*² of the tank *a* is provided with any suitable safety or pressure regulating valve *h*, and said top *a*² is also provided at *i* with a filling aperture and suitable means for closing the same, and said tank is also provided at one side with an ordinary water gage *j*.

In practice the water in the tank *a* is heated so as to generate steam therein, and said steam passes through the hose *f* and the pan *g* is grasped by the hand and the open or front side thereof is pressed against the wall from which the paper is to be removed, or against the paper on said wall.

The steam from the tank *a* passes through the hose *f* and into the pan *g* and coming in contact with the paper on the wall, the said paper is quickly saturated or softened and may be easily scraped off of the wall in the usual manner by any suitable tool or device.

By preparing and arranging the keepers *d* in the manner shown and described and coiling the hose *f* therein, the said hose is always held in proper position, and in the use of the device as herein described the water of condensation will flow downwardly through the hose and back into the tank *a*, and the hose is thus always free from water of condensation and in condition for use.

Our invention is not limited to the form of construction of the tank *a*, nor to any particular form of heater, all that is neces-

sary being that a suitable heating device be provided and supported beneath the tank *a* so that the entire apparatus will be complete, and the separate parts thereof connected in such manner that it may be conveniently carried about, or moved about, from one point to another.

Having fully described our invention, what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is;—

In an apparatus for removing wall paper from walls, a tank the top of which is provided with a plurality of yoke-shaped keepers which open upwardly and which are ar-

ranged in a circle thereon, and a flexible hose connected with the top of the tank and adapted to be coiled in said keepers whereby water will flow through said hose and through said coils into said tank.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our invention we have signed our names in presence of the subscribing witnesses this 27th day of November 1908.

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