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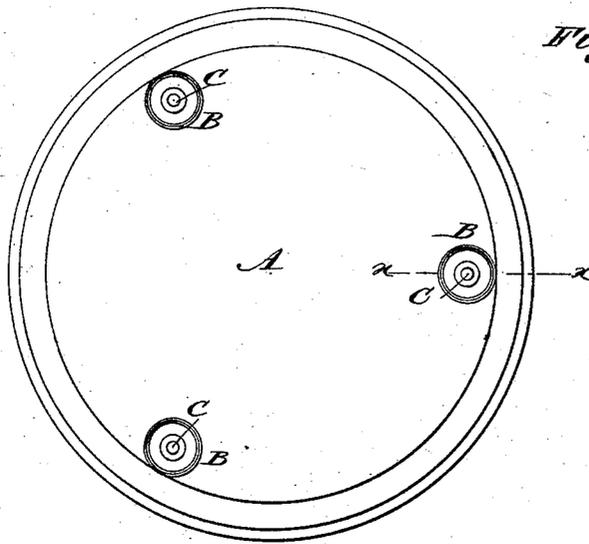


Fig. 1

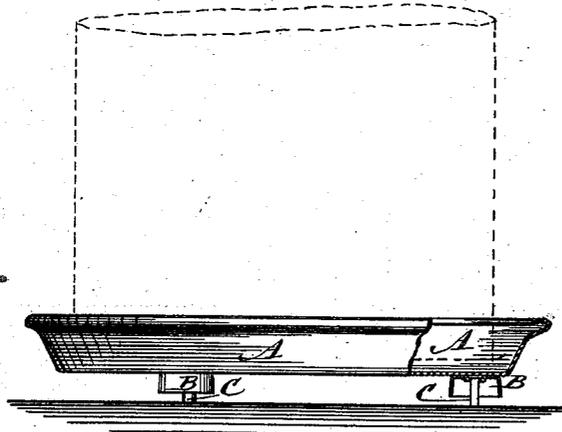


Fig. 2

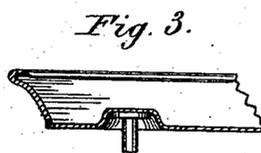


Fig. 3.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN CANS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN ASKWITH, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cans for Oil and other Liquids, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a view of the bottom of a can to which my improvement has been applied. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, partly in section, through the line *xx*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a modification of the cup.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish improved feet for cans, designed especially for the oil-can for which Letters Patent No. 166,956 were granted to me August 24, 1875, but equally applicable to other cans and vessels for containing other liquids, and which shall be simple in construction and inexpensive in manufacture.

The invention consists in the feet formed of the cup and the stem, and applied to the bottom of a can or vessel, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents the bottom of a can or other vessel. B is a cup, made of a disk of sheet metal, having a rivet, C, passed through its center, and having its side parts struck up into cup shape.

The rivet or stem C is made of such a length that its lower end may project below the edge

of the cup or flange B, so that the lower end of the rivet C will be the only part that touches the floor or table upon which the can or vessel is set.

The cup B prevents any oil or other liquid that may be upon the bottom A from spreading to the stem C and coming in contact with its lower end.

Instead of the cup made in a separate piece and soldered to the bottom of the can, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the bottom of the can itself may be struck up to form a cup, as shown in Fig. 3.

To still further guard against this the bottom of the cup B, around the stem C, may be painted with some substance repellent to the liquid contained in the can.

The cup B and stem C are securely soldered or otherwise applied to the bottom A, three or more being applied to each bottom.

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

The feet formed of the cup B and the stem C, and applied to the bottom A of a can or vessel, substantially as herein shown and described.

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