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Fig. 1.

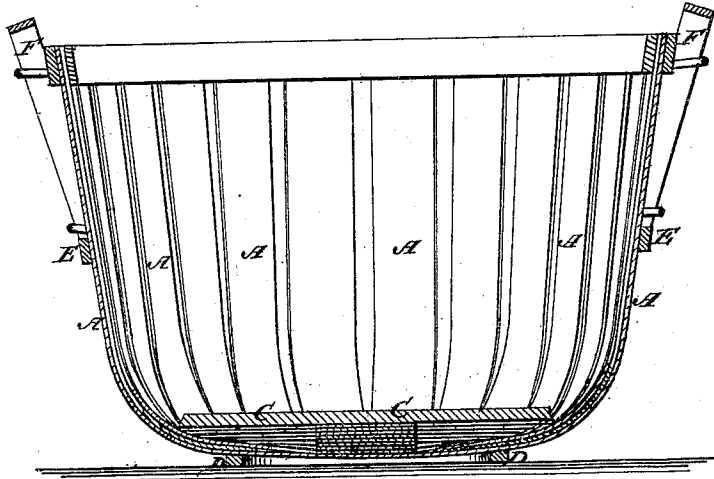
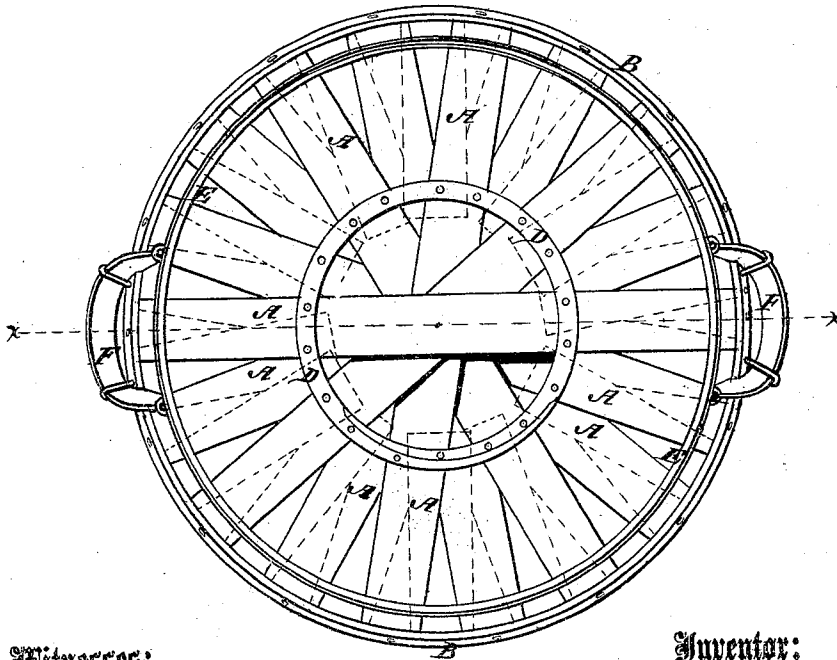


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BASKETS.

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Specification describing a new and useful Improvement in Baskets, invented by JAMES GRAHAM, of Vassar, in the county of Tuscola and State of Michigan.

Figure 1 is a detail vertical section of my improved basket taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 2. Fig. 2 is a bottom view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved splint or stave basket, simple in construction, strong, and durable; and it consists in the basket constructed as hereinafter more fully described.

The body of the basket is formed of two series or thicknesses of staves or splints, A, which overlap each other, and the ends of which, at the mouth of the basket, are secured to and between two hoops, D. The outer series of splints or staves A extend entirely across the bottom, crossing each other at the center of the bottom. The other or inner series of staves or splints do not extend across the bottom, but terminate a little within the edge of the bottom board C, so that their ends may be confined beneath said bottom board C. D is

a hoop attached to the outer side of the bottom of the basket, and which is made of a diameter a little less than that of the bottom board C. The bottom board C and the hoop D are secured in place by nails driven through the hoop D, through the splints or staves A, and through the board C, upon which they are clinched. The middle part of the basket is strengthened by a hoop, E, upon the outer side of the splints or staves A, or upon both the outer and inner sides. F are the handles, which are secured to the sides of the basket by staples, which are driven through said sides and clinched.

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

The combination of the inner bottom board C and outer bottom hoop D with the double series of overlapping staves or splints A, the outer ones extending entirely across the bottom, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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