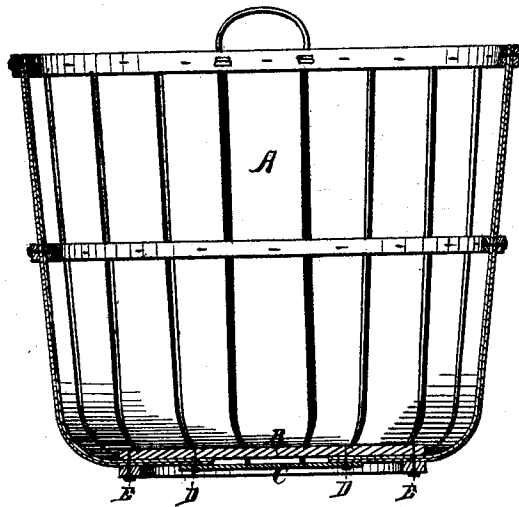


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SPECIFICATION.

I, HORACE C. JONES, of Dowagiac, in the county of Cass and State of Michigan, have invented certain Improvements in Basket-Bottoms, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention relates to the construction of a basket-bottom, formed, in part, of two circular plates of unequal size, and in the combination therewith of a base-hoop, the object being to produce a more cheap and efficient basket-bottom than has hitherto been accomplished.

The accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, is a vertical transverse section of a basket embodying my invention, and is made, in its general dimensions, on a scale of three inches to the foot.

The following is a general description of my said invention, and is represented by letters of reference corresponding to similar letters marked on the annexed drawing, in which A represents the body of the basket. It is made of two thicknesses of staves, extending from near the center of the basket-bottom to the top edge on all sides. B represents a thin circular board. This board forms the upper part of the basket-bottom, and covers about two-thirds of the entire base of the bas-

ket. C represents a circular plate, smaller in diameter than B. This plate forms a portion of the under part of the bottom. Between these circular plates B C the points of the staves are inserted, and confined by means of the nails D driven through the plates B C. E represents a base-hoop. This hoop is made of equal diameter with the plate B, and is secured to the under side of the basket-bottom by means of nails driven through it and through the staves and clinched in the circular board B. Now, it will be seen that this arrangement admits of nailing the staves to the basket-bottom at two different points, and will not be likely to draw out, and in case the board B should split the basket-bottom will still be bound together by the hoop E.

Having thus fully described my invention in such exact terms as I can give, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the disks B C, hoop E, and staves A, when constructed, arranged, and combined as and for the purposes set forth.

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