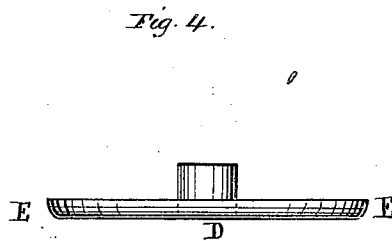
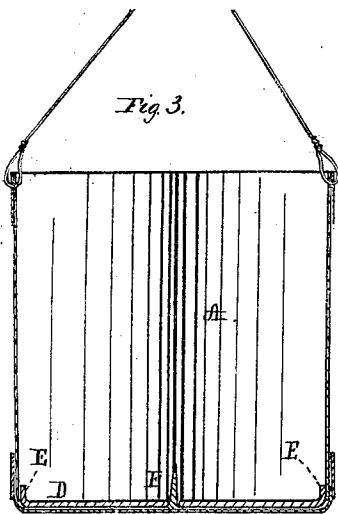
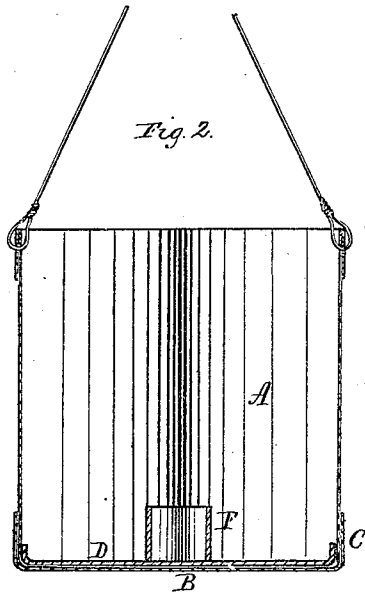
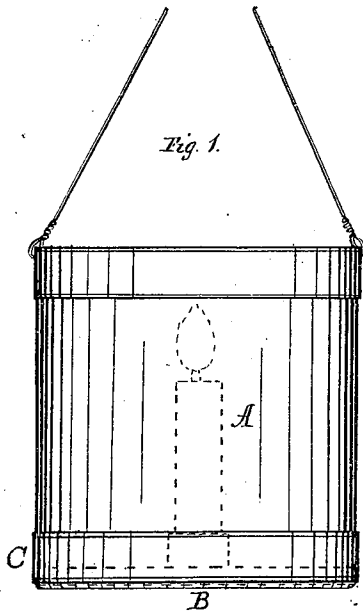


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## IMPROVEMENT IN LANTERNS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, EDWARD J. POHL and JOHN A. HIGGINS, of the city and county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Lanterns for Decorations, Transparencies, Christmas-Trees, &c.; and we do hereby declare the following to be a clear and exact description of the nature thereof, sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention appertains to fully understand, make, and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of the device embodying our invention. Figs. 2 and 3 are central vertical sections thereof. Fig. 4 is a detached view.

Our invention relates to a lantern for purposes of decorations, transparencies, Christmas-trees, &c.; and it consists of a body constructed of transparent or semi-transparent material and a metallic plate for holding the candle or light and preventing the overflow of the melted matters thereof for the purpose of protecting the body, which, owing to its nature, is liable to shrivel and burn and fracture. It also consists in the construction of parts to form a light, durable, and serviceable lantern for the purpose intended.

Referring to the drawing, A represents the body or receiver, which is constructed of transparent or semi-transparent material, such as gelatine. B represents the bottom thereof, which is gummed or cemented to the body, and is confined in place by the band C, which likewise serves to ornament the lantern. D represents a struck-up metallic plate, which is formed with a flange, E, and a holder, F, for the candle or light, said holder consisting of a socket, nail, or pin, capable of supporting the candle or other illuminating medium. This

plate D is laid on the bottom B, and confined thereon by gumming, cementing, or otherwise.

Owing to the liability of the gelatine to burn or shrivel by heat, it is desirable that the body of the lantern should be protected. The greatest danger is the overflow of the melted matters of the candle or light. This is prevented by the flange E, which, rising from the sides of the plate D, serves as a barrier to the passage of said melted matters to contact with the body A, and consequently confines said matters on the plate. The plate also stiffens the body of the lantern at the bottom thereof, and causes it to retain its shape, whereby the lantern, although delicate, admits of transportation without liability to destruction, and various sizes may be readily and safely packed one within another.

Wire will be attached to the upper end of the body for suspending the lantern or connecting it to any desired locality.

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

1. As an article of manufacture, the lantern, consisting of the body A formed of transparent or semi-transparent material and a flanged metallic holder, D, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. The flanged holder D E F, in combination with the transparent or semi-transparent body A and bottom B, substantially in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

The above signed by us this 14th day of September, 1872.

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