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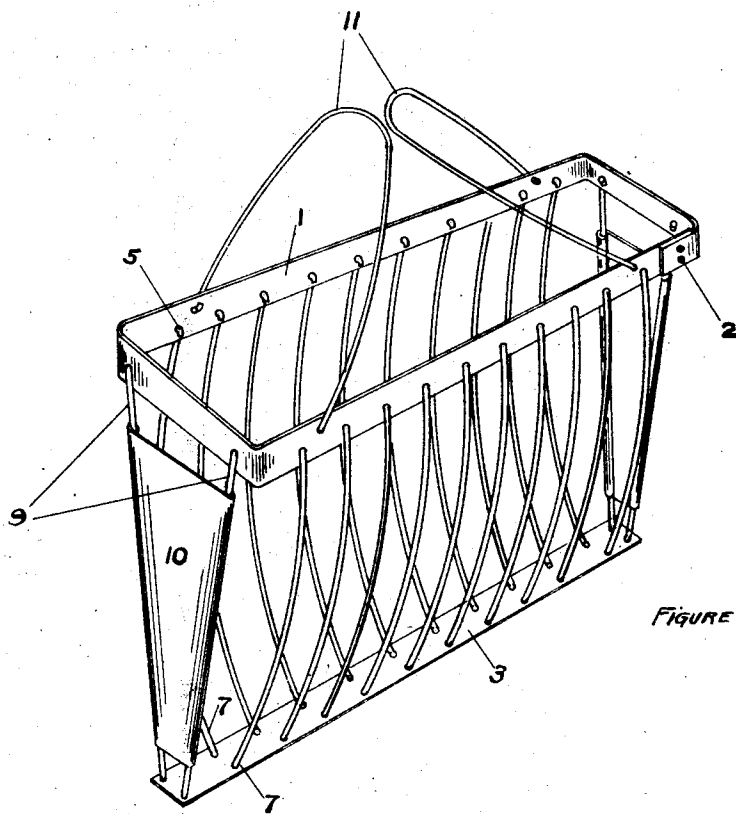


FIGURE 1.

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FIGURE 2,

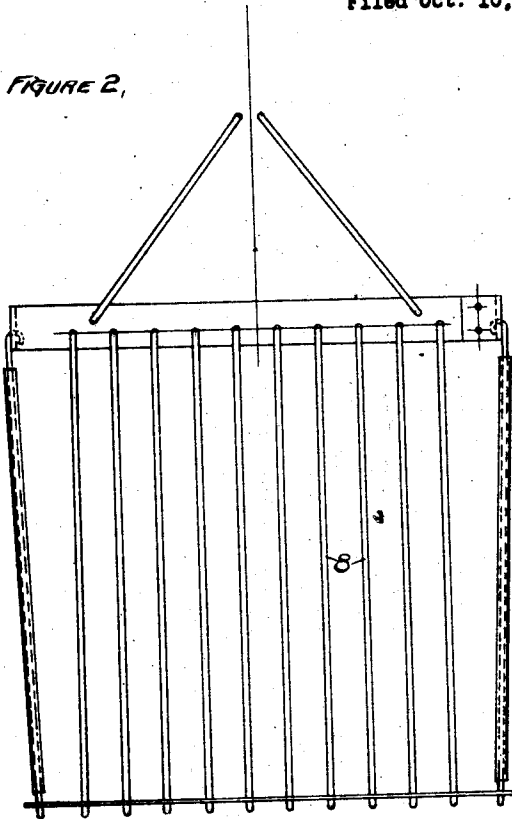


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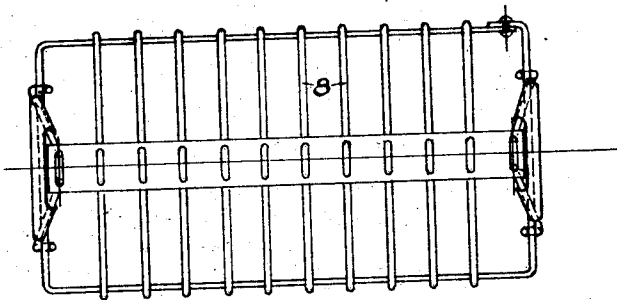
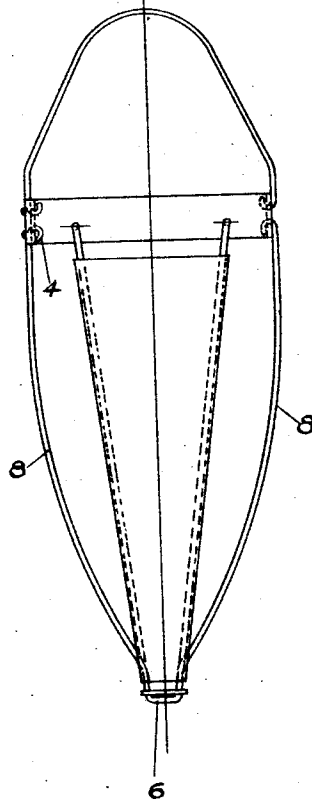


FIGURE 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER S. PETERSON, a citizen of the United States, residing in Boonton, county of Morris, and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Feed Baskets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to feed baskets which are suitably constructed to be carried by hand from a suitable supply station to places in which they are to be suspended within easy reach of the poultry.

The object of the present invention is to provide an improved construction, combination and arrangement of parts whereby a device of this character may be lightly and durably constructed of comparatively few parts and at the same time conveniently handled and carried. Certain specific objects of invention will appear in the specification and be pointed out in the appended claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings which exemplify my invention in a preferred embodiment and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the feed basket in its preferred form;

Figure 2 is a side elevation of the same;

Figure 3 is an end elevation of the same;

and Figure 4 is a bottom plan view of the same.

According to the drawings, my improved feed basket contemplates an upper frame comprising a sheet metal band 1 having its opposite ends united by rivets 2 and formed into an elongated frame as shown. Arranged below the said upper frame is a bottom picking plate 3 which is suspended from the upper frame by means of wires having their opposite extremities provided with hooks 4 which are hooked into a series of holes 5 along opposite side bars of the upper frame. The depending intermediate portions of the wires terminate below in substantially U-shaped bends 6 of which the opposite branches extend upwardly thru oppositely arranged holes 7 in the bottom plate 3. As shown best in Figure 3, the upwardly extending branches 8 of the wires are bulged outwardly to increase the capacity of the basket, the contracted U-shaped bends in the intermediate portions of said wires being adapted to confine the contents to a narrow space above the picking plate 3

to be readily accessible to the fowl from either side of the basket.

According to the present embodiment of my invention, a pair of wires 9 are arranged at each end of the basket, said wires being connected above to the upper frame 1 and below to the picking plate 3. In order to avoid downwardly contracted spaces between the wires 9 or other places in which chickens, for example, are liable to become caught by their heads, sheet metal plates 10 provide closed end walls to the feed basket, said plates having their lateral edges wrapped around the wires 9.

Bails or handles 11 may be connected to the upper frame 1 to provide suitable means for carrying the basket from one place to another as well as for hanging said basket from any suitable support and within easy reach of the fowl. It will be obvious from the foregoing description that a feed basket thus constructed can be substantially made at small expense, is readily handled and carried, and adapted to be suspended with little or no trouble in any desired place.

I claim:

1. A poultry feed basket comprising an elongated upper rectangular frame, an elongated rectangular bottom plate of relatively smaller width, parallelly arranged lateral wires for suspending said elongated bottom plate from said upper frame and providing uninterrupted spaces extending from top to bottom of said feed basket, and means for barring poultry from access to said feed basket thru the downwardly contracted spaces at opposite ends of the basket.

2. A feed basket comprising an upper elongated rectangular frame, an elongated rectangular bottom plate, and spaced lateral wires for suspending said bottom plate from said upper frame, each of said wires having their opposite ends connected to opposite sides of said upper elongated frame and forming a depending loop within which said bottom plate is suspended.

3. A poultry feed basket comprising an upper elongated rectangular frame, an elongated bottom plate, wires having their opposite ends connected to opposite sides of said upper frame and with their depending intermediate portions suspending said bottom plate, and means arranged between the opposite branches of the wire at each end of said feed basket for barring access thereto

thru the downwardly contracted spaces at each end of said basket.

4. A feed basket comprising an upper frame, a bottom plate, wires depending from
5 said upper frame and supportably engaging said bottom plate, and metal sheets arranged at opposite ends of said feed basket, said metal sheets having their lateral edges rolled upon oppositely disposed wires.

10 5. In a feed basket for poultry, an upper band having its ends connected together and formed into an upper rectangular frame, said band being provided with a series of holes, wire loops provided at opposite ends
15 with hooks by which they are suspended in said holes, the intermediate portions of said wire loops being contracted downwardly, and a flat bottom plate having opposite series of holes thru which said intermediate
20 portions of the loops extend for suspending said flat bottom plate.

6. In a feed basket for poultry, an upper band having its ends connected together and formed into an upper rectangular frame,
25 said band being provided with a series of holes, wire loops provided at opposite ends

with hooks by which they are suspended in said holes, the intermediate portions of said wire loops being contracted downwardly, a flat bottom plate having opposite series of
30 holes thru which said intermediate portions of the loops extend for suspending said flat bottom plate, and end plates of sheet metal having their lateral edges wrapped around oppositely disposed wires at opposite ends
35 of said basket.

7. A feed basket including a bottom plate provided with oppositely arranged series of holes, a band forming a rectangular frame wider than said bottom plate, said band being provided along the side of said frame
40 with oppositely arranged series of holes, and wires having their opposite ends hooked into the holes along the sides of said frame and their depending intermediate portions contracted below and terminating in U-shaped
45 bends within which said bottom plate is suspended with the opposite branches of said U-shaped bends extending through the holes in said bottom plate.

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