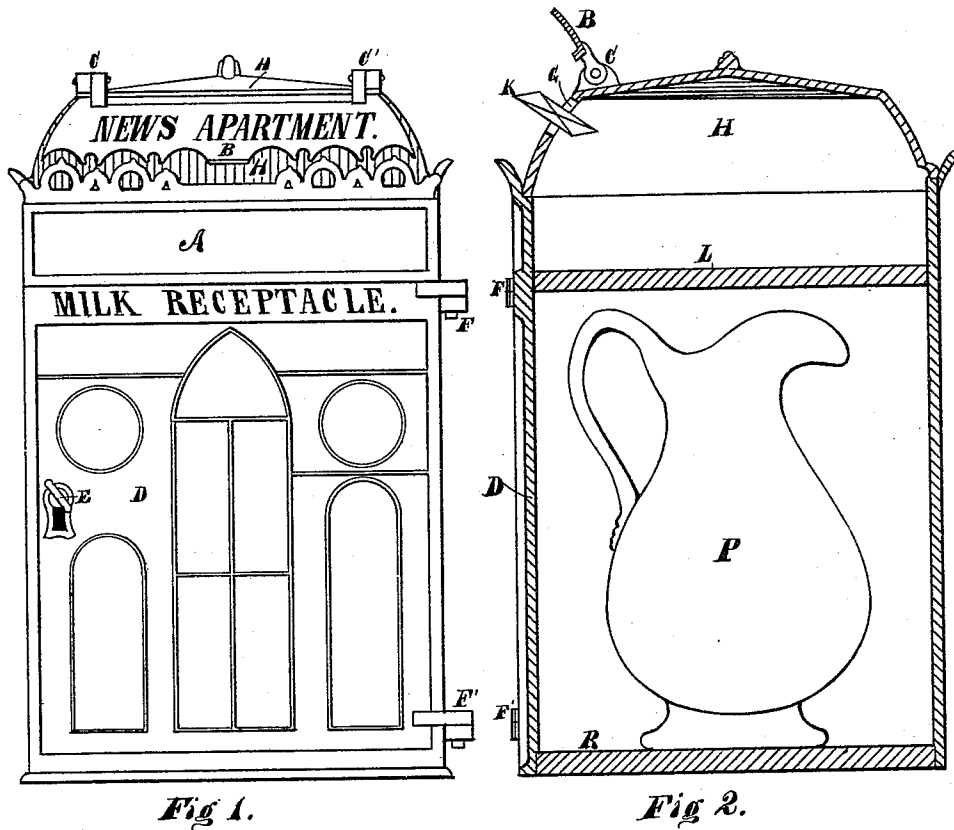


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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED LETTER-BOXES AND MILK-RECEPTACLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. MILLER, of Indianapolis, county of Marion, State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Combination of a Bread, Milk-Vessel, and News Receptacle, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

I am aware that milk-vessel receptacles with signals have been used before, also that news and letter boxes have been used; but I am not aware that these devices have ever been combined into one with a bread-receptacle. I do not claim either of them separate, as they are old.

My invention consists in the construction and combination of a milk-vessel, a bread-receptacle, and a news-apartment, and is formed of an outside case, A, with bottom R, door D, cover or top H, and a partition, L. This partition is over the milk-vessel or bread-apartment, and forms a floor, on which letters or papers are deposited through the hole under the lifting-cover B. The milk-vessel P is placed

in the receptacle under the partition L, and is ready for the milkman to fill; or, if the pitcher is left out, it is ready for bread, or, if made large enough, is ready for both. The upper apartment is always ready for news matter.

I do not claim any connection or combination of a receptacle to hold bread, milk-kettles, &c., with a receptacle used as a carriage-step, hitching-block, and garbage-sink, as they are old.

What I claim as new, and wish to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A receptacle formed of two apartments, one below to receive bread, milk-vessels, &c., and the one above to receive letters and newspapers, constructed substantially as and for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

CHARLES E. MILLER.

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