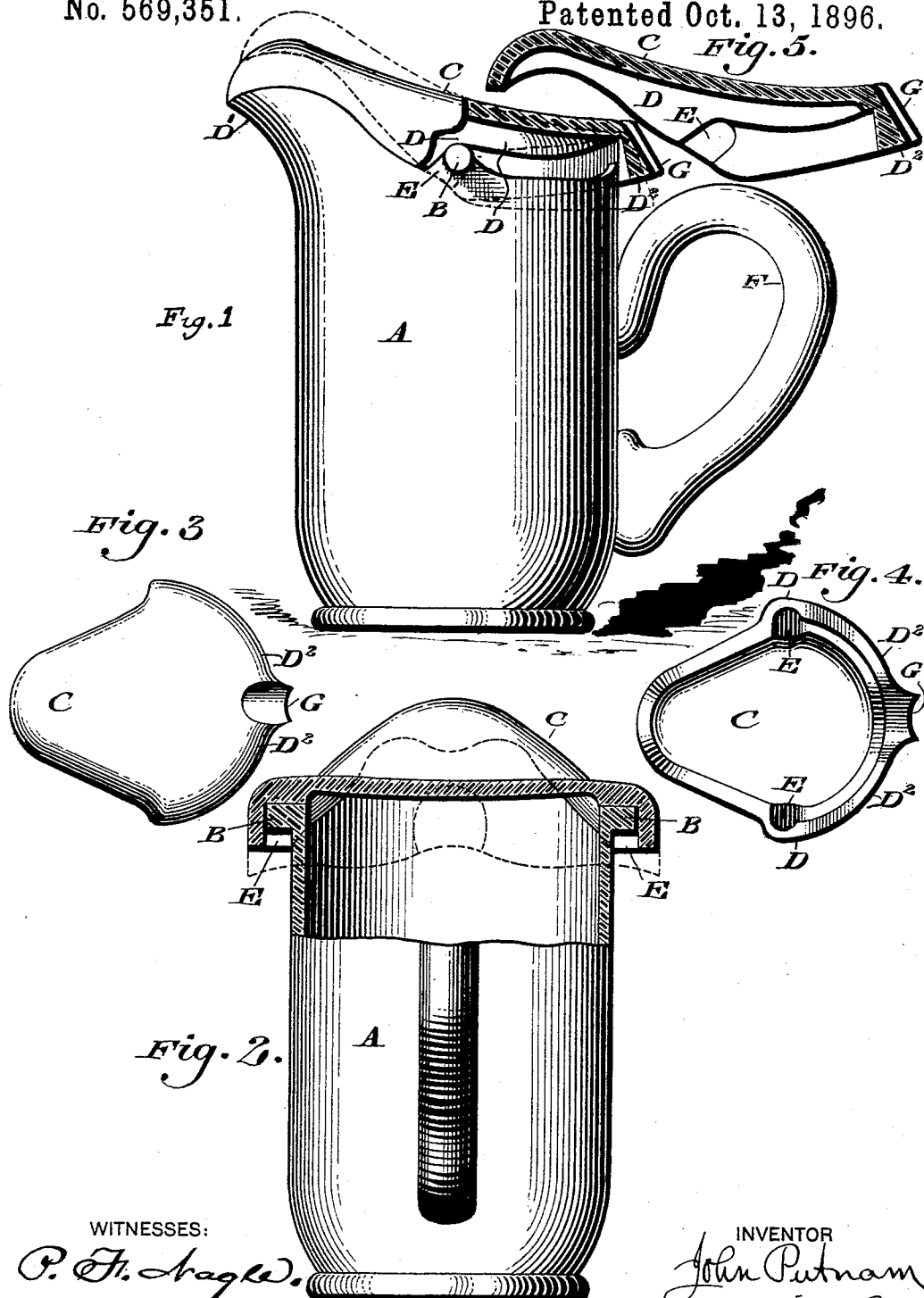


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN PUTNAM, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful

Improvement in Pitchers or other Vessels, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a pitcher or other vessel having a swinging lid, the same being made detachable and possessing other features, as will be hereinafter described. Figure 1 represents a partial side elevation and partial longitudinal vertical section of a pitcher embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a partial side elevation and partial transverse section thereof. Fig. 3 represents a top plan view of the lid on a reduced scale. Fig. 4 represents a bottom plan view thereof. Fig. 5 represents a vertical section of the lid.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the body of a pitcher, and B designates lugs or gudgeons which project horizontally outwardly or laterally from the top of the said body.

C designates the lid of the pitcher, the same having thereon the depending peripheral rim D, in the inner faces of which are the throats or recesses E, which are open at bottom and closed at top, and receive the gudgeons B, the upper walls of said throats resting on said gudgeons as the axis of the lid, it being noticed that the front of the lid closes on the lip D' of the pitcher, while the portion of said lid rearward of the axis thereof is raised above the corresponding portion of the top of the body of the pitcher, whereby said portion of the lid may be lowered when pressed downwardly, thus raising and opening the front of the lid and permitting the contents of the pitcher to be poured out. The rear portion of the lid is over the forward part of the handle F, so that when the latter is grasped the thumb may be pressed against the recessed and inclined part G on the upper face of said rear portion for lowering the latter in order to open the lid.

When the pitcher is canted forwardly in order to discharge the contents thereof, the lid remains connected with the gudgeons B and consequently with the pitcher. Then the lid

may be opened by downward pressure on the rear thereof, as previously described.

The rear portion D² of the rim D freely encircles the corresponding portion of the top of the body of the pitcher and forms a cover therefor. The front portion of the lid is weighted or out of center sufficiently so that when the pitcher is not in use the lid will remain seated on the lip, and after it has been opened and then let go it will immediately swing or return to its normal position, closing the lip.

When the lid is drawn upward, the recesses E leave the gudgeons B, and the lid is accordingly disconnected from the pitcher, (see Fig. 5,) this being convenient for purposes of cleansing, repairs, packing, &c., it being noticed that rivets, pintles, or hinges as such, for connecting the lid and the body, are dispensed with.

If desired, the lugs B may be formed on the inner sides of the lid, and the recesses formed on the outer sides of the body.

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

1. A pitcher having gudgeons on its sides, and a detachable swinging lid journaled on said gudgeons, and having a rear end with a depending rim outside of the body of the pitcher, and normally free from contact with said body when the front end of said lid is in contact with the discharge-lip of the pitcher, substantially as described.

2. A swinging lid having a front portion adapted to close the spout of a vessel, and a rear portion provided with a depending rim which freely embraces the top of the body of said vessel, and is above and free from contact therewith, when the front portion is seated on the spout, substantially as described.

3. A pitcher having gudgeons on opposite sides of the body thereof, and a removable lid having depending side rims and inclined throats in said rims, the upper walls of which are mounted on said gudgeons, the rear end of the rim of the lid being normally free from contact with the body said parts being combined substantially as described.

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