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OYSTER PAIL.

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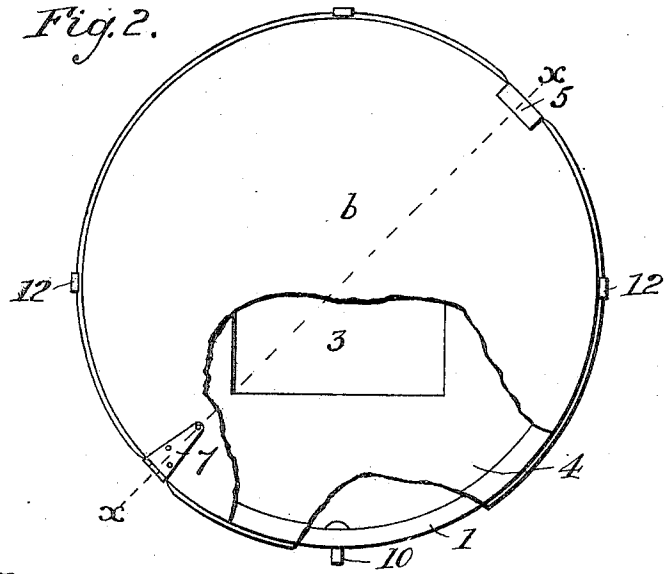

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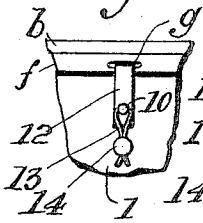

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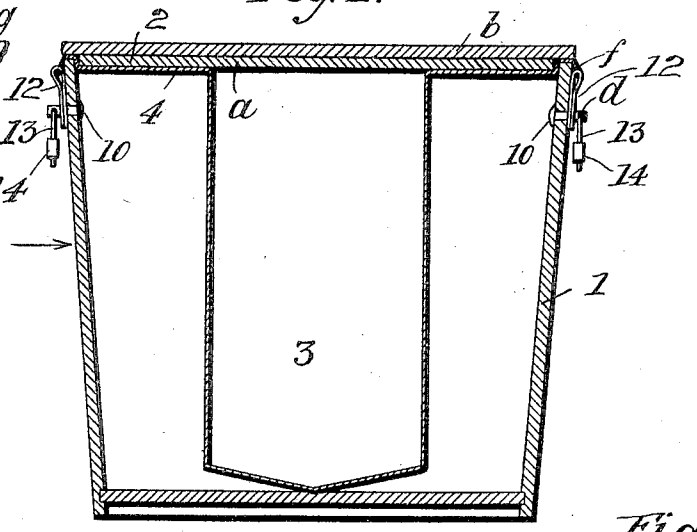

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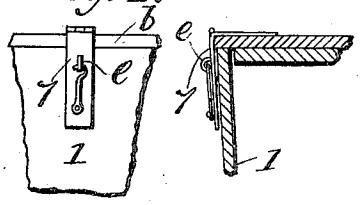

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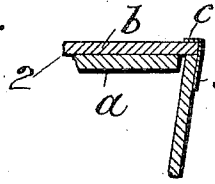

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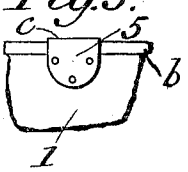

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM HEYSER, of the city of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain Improvements in Oyster-Pails, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain improvements in the oyster pail shown and described in Letters Patent No. 846,499, granted to me on the 20th day of November in the year 1906 to which reference should be made.

The said patented oyster pail consists, briefly stated, in a wood pail or bucket of circular cross section, containing a removable ice receptacle having a flange which is situated entirely within the pail and serves as a cover for the oysters, a lid which rests on an annular shoulder formed in the upper edge of the pail, and certain fastening devices whereby the flanged ice-receptacle is secured against unauthorized removal, and access to the oysters in the pail prevented.

The oyster pail constructed as described and shown in the said Letters Patent, fully answers the purpose for which it is intended in cases where shipments are made to points at such limited distances from the shipper, as not to require re-charging with ice, but when such re-charging is necessary, it is usual to dip out the water resulting from the melted ice and re-charge the said receptacle with ice, and the object of the present invention is to facilitate this operation by pouring out the water without allowing any of the same passing under the flange of the ice receptacle and entering the oyster compartment.

In carrying out the present invention, certain changes in the fastening devices whereby the ice chamber is held in position, are required, and the invention therefore consists in the novel construction and arrangement of said devices, as will hereinafter fully appear.

In the further description of the present invention which follows, reference is made to the accompanying drawing forming a part hereof and in which,—

Figure 1 is a central vertical section of the improved oyster pail. Fig. 2 is a partly sectional top view of the same. Fig. 3 is an exterior side view of a part of the oyster pail looking in the direction indicated by the arrow in Fig. 1. Figs. 4 and 5 are exterior views of other parts of the pail. Fig. 6 is a sectional view of Fig. 2 taken on the dotted line x—x, and showing edge views of certain fastening devices illustrated in Figs. 4 and 5.

Referring now to the drawing, 1 represents the wood bucket, and 2 the lid thereof which is in two parts nailed together viz., a which is situated entirely within the bucket, and b which covers the upper edge of the wall of the same.

3 is the ice receptacle within the bucket 1, and provided with the flange 4 which covers the oysters contained in the bucket. The edge of the flange 4 is extended upward to the top of the bucket, then turned outwardly and horizontally to cover the upper surface of the wall of the same, and then downward for a limited distance, following the exterior surface of the bucket. By this construction of the flange 4, and the ice receptacle being held in place by any suitable means, water when poured from the ice receptacle will be carried clear of the bucket without any of it passing under the flange 4 and entering the oyster receptacle.

5 is a plate secured to the outside of the bucket, having an inturned lip c under which the edge of the part b of the lid 2 is inserted; and 7 an ordinary hasp which is secured to the lid at a point diametrically opposite the plate 5, and adapted to engage the staple e on the wall of the bucket.

The means whereby the ice receptacle is held in place and its removal by unauthorized persons prevented, consist preferably of the ordinary rivets 10 which are forced tightly through holes in the side wall of the bucket from the inside of the same, the ends of the rivets which are furnished with holes d, projecting beyond the outer surface of the wall.

The pendent portion f of the flange 4 is provided with horizontal slots g, and through these slots are inserted thin sheet metal strips 12 having holes near their ends. The strips are then folded to bring the two holes opposite each other, so that they can pass over the rivets 10. The fastening is completed by inserting flexible wires 13 through the holes d in the rivets, which wires after their ends are twisted together are secured by the lead seals 14 which are clamped on the wires by means of a suitable tool having raised identifying characters.

I claim as my invention,—

In an oyster pail, a bucket having in its wall horizontal rivets with transverse holes

near their outer ends, and an ice receptacle situated in the bucket, the said receptacle having a pendent flange which is provided with slots and extends over the edge of the circular wall of the bucket, combined with perforated sheet metal strips which are passed through the slots in the pendent flange and folded and their perforated ends placed over the rivets, and wires which are strung through the holes in the rivets and their ends brought together and sealed, substantially as specified.

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