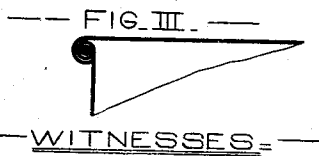
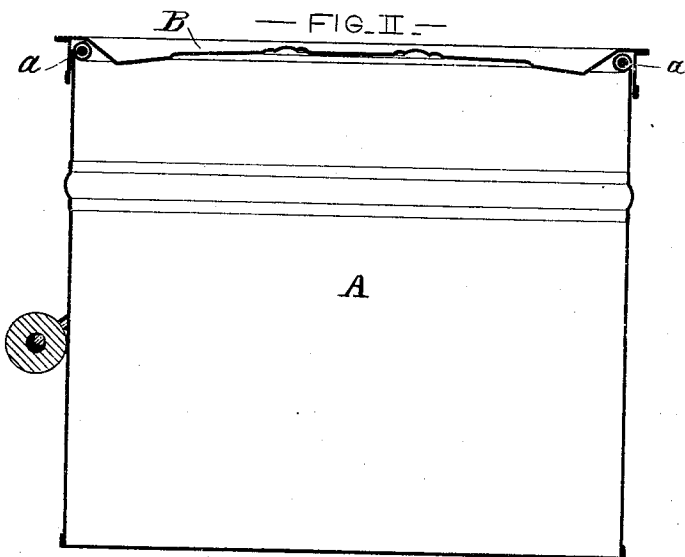
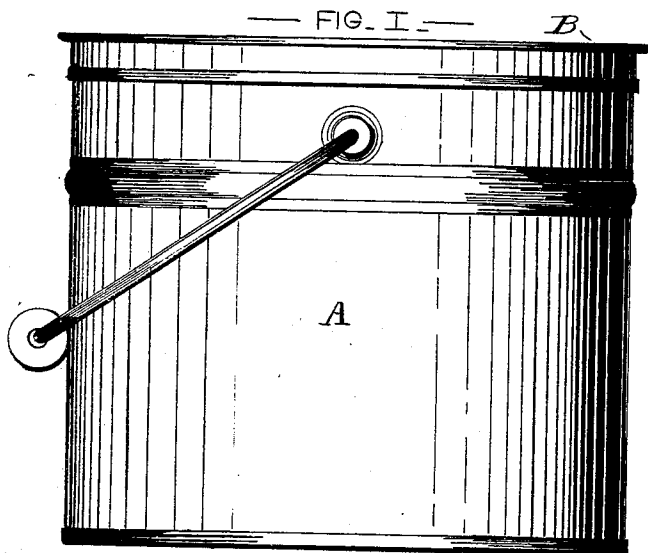


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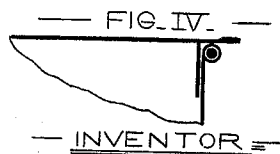
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IMPROVEMENT IN CANS OR BUCKETS FOR TRANSPORTING LARD.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 132,356, dated October 22, 1872.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN A. CURTIS, of the city of Baltimore and State of Maryland, have invented certain Improvements in Metal Cans or Buckets used in the Transportation and Sale of Lard, Butter, and the like, of which the following is a specification; and I do hereby declare that the same is a full, clear, and exact description of my said invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

In the accompanying drawing, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a side view of a lard-bucket having my invention thereupon; Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same; and Figs. 3 and 4 show the ordinary modes of fitting lids to the buckets.

Similar letters of reference indicate similar parts of my invention in all the views.

A is the bucket, having a top stiffening-ring, *a*, confined by the metal which is turned around it into the interior of the bucket. An even surface is thus given to the exterior of the bucket, so that the lid or cover B can slip over the upper edge, instead of within the bucket as shown in Fig. 4.

The object of my invention is to adapt the lid or cover to be conveniently removed uninjured, so that it may be used for other household purposes.

A common mode in which lids are attached to buckets is that shown by Fig. 3. In this case the lid is inconveniently removed by means of a sharp-pointed instrument, rendering the cover useless for any purpose of utility.

The advantages possessed by my invention over the method shown in Fig. 4 consist in that the lid, fitting over the bucket, serves as a hoop to a barrel, and that the lid, while forming a better joint, is much more readily removed.

I am engaged in manufacturing buckets in all the methods herein shown, and find that, while that mode herein claimed as my invention is no more expensive than the other methods, it is greatly preferred by the trade.

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

The combination and arrangement of the vessel A, having the interior ring *a*, with the outside-fitting lid or cover B, substantially as and for the purposes herein described.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name.

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