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*Butter Pail.*

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Fig 1

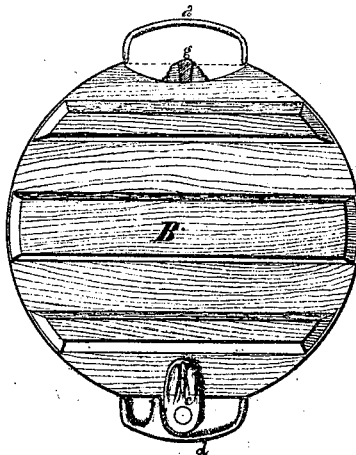
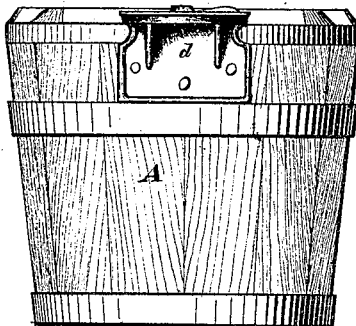


Fig 2



Fig 3



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## IMPROVED BUTTER-PAIL.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

I, HENRY P. WESTCOTT, of Seneca Falls, in the county of Seneca and State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Butter-Pails, of which the following is a specification.

The nature and object of my invention is to construct a butter-pail convenient to handle, with a cover that can be securely fastened and readily removed, and which will not become unduly fastened by the expansion of the wood when standing in a cellar, or unduly loose by the shrinkage of the wood when standing in the sun or other dry place.

In the accompanying drawing—

Figure 1 represents a top view of my improved pail with the cover in place, and a small piece broken out of the inner flange of one ear at *g*.

Figure 2 represents a portion of the cover.

Figure 3 represents an upright view of the pail complete, with the ear to which the button is attached in front.

The following is a full and accurate description of my invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and to the figures and letters of reference marked thereon.

A is the body of the pail, made of staves and bound with hoops in the usual manner.

B is the cover, made to fit the top edge of the body of the pail, the ends of the wood being brought next the two ears, and prevented from warping or splitting by the buttons fastened to the top of the cover, cross-wise the grain.

A notch is cut into the edge of the cover at the center of each ear, one of which is represented at *g*, fig. 2, nicely fitting a projection from the inside of each ear, under the inner flange of the back ear, as shown in fig. 1, where a portion of the inner flange is represented as broken away, and under the button in the front ear, as shown by the dotted lines at *c*, fig. 1.

These notches, fitting these projections from the inside of the ears, as above mentioned, prevent the cover from sliding off from the body of the pail by a side movement.

*a* represents the back ear, and

*d*, the front ear, which are made of malleable iron, tinned, or other suitable metal, and riveted firmly to the upper part of the body of the pail. Each of these ears has an outer flange strengthened by a sort of bracket cast with it, and these outer flanges serve for handles to the pail.

The back ear *a* has also an inner flange projecting inward, just the thickness of the cover above the upper edge of the body of the pail, and, when the cover is in place, extending over the top of the cover, the entire width of this inner flange, and holding the cover at that point firmly down on the upper edge of the body of the pail.

The front ear *d* has no inner flange, so that, when the edge of the cover is placed under the inner flange of the back ear it will fall easily into place at its opposite side next the front ear, the notch at that side embracing the projection shown by the dotted line at *c*, fig. 1.

At this point, next the front ear, the cover is firmly held down on the upper edge of the body of the pail by a button pivoted near one end to the upper surface of the outer projection or flange of the front ear, so that it can be turned about said pivot over the upper surface of the cover, as shown in fig. 1.

The upper surface of the outer flange of the front ear is recessed, to receive this button and prevent its being accidentally moved in handling.

The two ears, *a* and *d*, are riveted to the body of the pail entirely above the upper hoop, and upon opposite sides thereof, as shown in the drawing.

I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The combination of the body of the pail A, and the cover B, with the ears *a* and *d*, and the button *c*, constructed and arranged substantially as above described.

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