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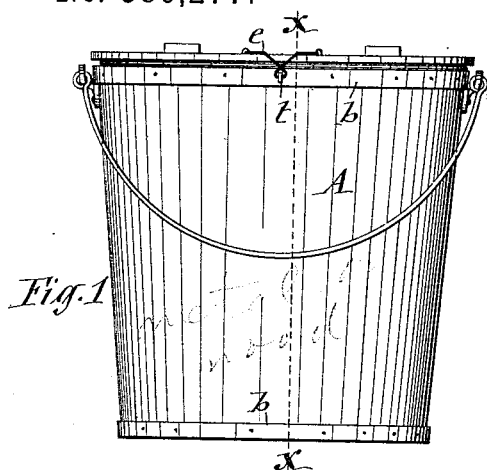


Fig. 1

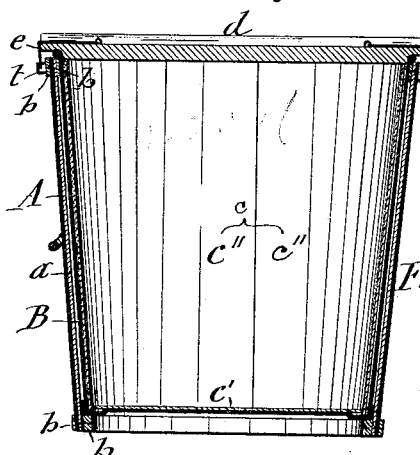


Fig. 2

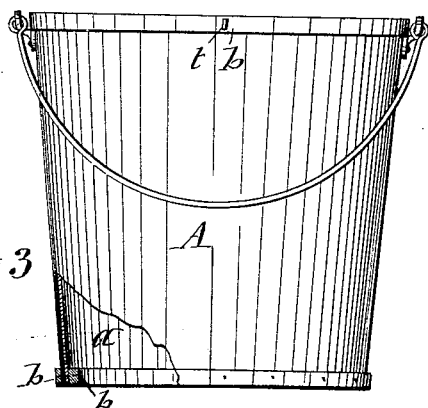


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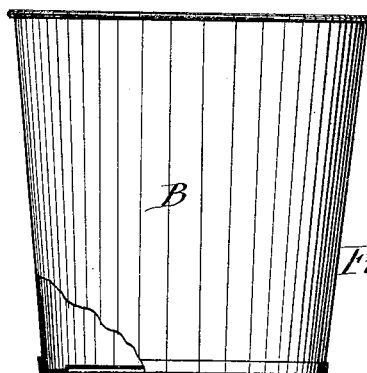


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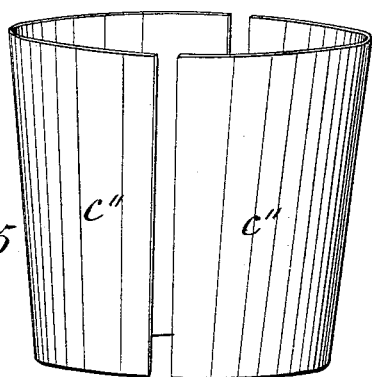


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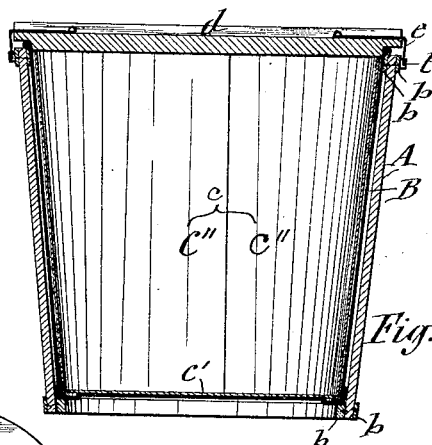


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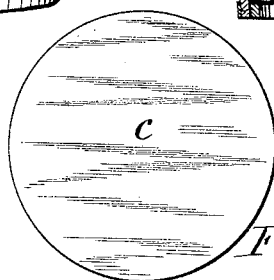


Fig. 6

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PACKAGE FOR BUTTER, &c.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LEWIS STEVENS, of Binghamton, in the county of Broome, in the State of New York, have invented new and
5 useful Improvements in Packages for Butter, &c., of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to packages adapted
10 for containing either butter, oysters, or other articles, but more specially designed for storing and transporting butter; and the invention consists in a novel construction of the package, which maintains its contents free from
15 taint and effectually prevents deterioration of said contents, and which package can be re-shipped and used repeatedly.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved package. Fig. 2 is
20 a vertical transverse section on line *xx*, Fig. 1. Figs. 3 and 4 are side elevations of the outer case and inner case detached from each other, portions of the sides being broken away to illustrate the construction of the same.
25 Figs. 5 and 6 are detached views of the linings of the inner case, and Fig. 7 is a vertical transverse section of a package embodying a modification of my invention.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A represents the outer case, which may be composed either of sheet metal, as represented in Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawings, or of wood, as shown in Fig. 7 of the drawings. When
35 formed of sheet metal, I apply to the inner side thereof a non-metallic, preferably thin wooden, lining, *a*, which is secured thereto by hoops *b b*, applied, respectively, to the exterior of the case A and inner side of the lining
40 *a* at the upper and lower ends thereof, and fastened by nails, brads, or rivets passing through the hoops and intervening parts. The case A is deprived of a bottom, and therefore really constitutes simply a wrapper for the
45 case or receptacle B, containing the butter or other substance. This latter case, when designed for butter, is of the form of a tub or pail formed of tin or other suitable sheet metal, provided with a perfectly-tight bottom
50 to prevent leakage of the brine. This tub or pail is seated on the inner lower hoop, *b*, which

is thicker than the upper hoop. To the interior of the said tub and pail I apply a non-metallic lining, *c*, preferably composed of thin wooden veneer in sections, one of which is of
55 the form of a circular disk, *c'*, as shown in Fig. 6 of the drawings, and the remainder of said sections, *c'' c''*, are of the form of sheets bent into segmental or semicircular shape, as shown in Fig. 5 of the drawings, the section *c'*
60 being applied to the bottom of the tub or pail B and the sections *c'' c''* being placed against the sides of the interior of said tub or pail, as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 7 of the drawings.

d denotes the cover, which may be provided
65 with any suitable and well-known means for securing it to the top of the package. *ee* in the drawings indicate such means, and are represented in the form of a wire bail hung on the cover and fastened to the side of the outer
70 case, A, by a staple, *t*.

A package constructed as herein described is not only capable of retaining the brine in the butter contained in the package, but also effectually guards against the butter becoming
75 tainted by contact with metal. The inner lining, *c*, I subject to a proper treatment to extract the acid therefrom before using said lining. One of the chief advantages of this lining is that it readily slides out of the tub or pail
80 by inverting the latter, and thus the contents thereof are removed therefrom completely or bodily and most expeditiously and conveniently, the package being left comparatively clean and ready to be returned for subsequent
85 use. A proper supply of linings can be furnished with the new packages to permit new linings to be used in each repeated use of the package.

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

1. The improved butter-package composed of the bottomless case A, hoops *b b*, secured to the upper and lower parts of the interior of
95 said case, the tub B, seated upon said hoops, and the veneering *c c'*, placed removably on the interior of the tub, substantially as described and shown.

2. The combination of the bottomless case
100 A, the non-metallic lining *a*, secured thereto by hoops *b b*, attached, respectively, to the ex-

terior of the case and interior of the lining at
the upper and lower ends thereof, the tub B,
resting upon the upper and lower hoops on the
interior of the aforesaid lining, and the veneer-
5 ing *c c c'*, placed removably on the interior of
the tub, substantially as described and shown.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed
my name and seal, in the presence of two wit-

nesses, at Binghamton, in the county of Broome,
in the State of New York, this 16th day of
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