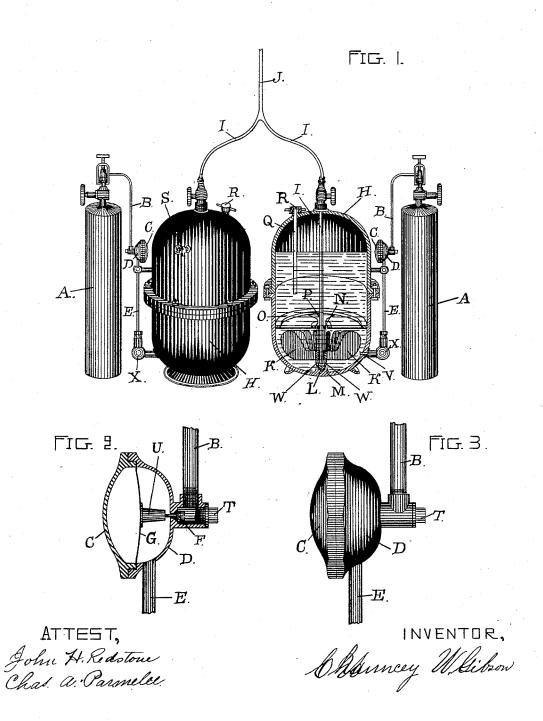
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHAUNCEY W. GIBSON, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of San Francisco, and State of California, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Beverage-Carbonizers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and the letters referring thereto.

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing one fountain in section cut vertically through the center; Fig. 2, a sectional view of the automatic pressure-regulator; Fig. 3, a perspective view of the automatic pressure-regulator.

A represents the pressure-chamber which supplies the gas to the fountain; B, the pipe which connects the pressure-chamber and pressure-regulator; C and D, the two parts forming the case of the pressure-regulator; 20 E, the pipe which connects the pressure-regulator and fountain; F, the valve which is opened and closed by the pressure of the gas in the fountain to regulate the supply of the same; G, the diaphragm which operates the valve F to open and close the same, as will be shown; H, the fountain; I and J, the pipes connecting the fountain with any suitable dispenser; K, the agitator for thoroughly mixing the gas with the liquid, as will be 30 shown; L, the point of the spindle, which serves as the journal for the agitator; M, the step in which the point or journal of the agitator revolves; N, the collar in which the upper journal of the agitator revolves; O, the 35 guide-supporting rim; P, the centering-guide to direct the service-pipe I centrally when being placed down into the fountain; Q, the pipe for filling the fountain; R, the cap for the pipe Q; S, the vent and overflow-valve; T, 40 the plug for closing the opening through which the valve F is placed, and by means of which it is readily reached for the purpose of regulating the required pressure in the fountain; U, the connecting-block for the valve-45 stem to connect the same with the diaphragm; V, the nozzle through which the gas is dis-

tator with its point-journal.

The following is the construction of my improved "beverage-carbonizer:" I employ

charged against the wings of the agitator; W, the arms which connect the stirrer or agi-

a pressure-chamber A, of steel or other strong metal, to safely contain a pressure exceeding six hundred pounds to the inch. I produce this chamber A in a cylindrical form, as shown, 55 and about the height of the fountain which it supplies, for convenience of construction and operation of the system. The reservoir A is generally charged with gas at a pressure exceeding six hundred pounds to the inch. 60

I construct the fountain of such metal as is generally employed in that class of manufac-

ture.

I connect the automatic pressure-regulator C, D, F, G, and U with the pressure-reservoir 65 A by any suitable pipe B. I form the pressure-regulator of metal and screw the parts C D (which form the case) together with the diaphragm clasped and made perfectly tight

with an ordinary lead-joint.

The following is the operation of my improved beverage-carbonizer for the purpose of thoroughly mixing the gas with the liquid and maintaining any required pressure equal in degree from the first until the fountain is 75 empty of liquid: To illustrate more clearly how this is effected, I will here particularly describe the construction and operation of the diaphragm and valve. I form the diaphragm of good springy sheet metal, which 80 will allow a movement or vibration sufficient to close the valve F when the pressure is applied to the same. When there is no pressure against the diaphragm, the valve F stands open, as shown in Fig. 2, and as the pressure 85 is appled it is gradually drawn down to its seat. When it is required to increase or diminish the pressure in the fountain, the plug T is taken out and the valve F is either screwed in or out, as required, thus requiring 90 greater or less motion of the diaphragm and a corresponding variation in the pressure brought against the diaphragm. It must be understood that the pressure in the reservoir A is sufficient to insure a surplus after the 95 fountain has fully discharged its liquid contents. When the fountain is fitted with the liquid, the vent or overflow-valve is open. The liquid is poured in through the pipe Q until it overflows at the vent S, the pipe Q 100 extending below the vent or overflow-valve S. The part of the fountain above acts

as an air-chamber and prevents the liquid from going in above that point. It also secures a detection of any leak when the cap R is placed upon the pipe Q, as the gas cannot seeape without forcing out the liquid, as will be readily seen from the position of the lower end of the pipe Q, as shown. Thus prepared, the fountain is closed up tightly and opened through the nozzle W to receive its charge of carbonic-acid gas, which being driven with great force against the wings of the agitator K, it is revolved and thoroughly agitates and mixes the gas with the liquid in the fountain.

When it is required to open the fountain and get at the interior construction of the same, it is separated at the flanges in the center and the pipes I and Q withdrawn with the upper portion of the fountain. The guide P secures the centering of the pipe I and 20 guides it down through the center of the agitator K. It is bolted together in the usual manner for connecting articles of that class of manufacture.

Having thus described my invention in bev-

erage-carbonizers, what I claim, and desire to 25 secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination of a fountain, a rotary agitator journaled therein, provided with a hollow spindle having a pivotal point in axial line therewith, an opening between said spin- 30 dle and point, and a depending tube passing through the hollow spindle and having connections with said opening and the fountain discharge-pipe.

2. The combination of a fountain having a 35 discharge-pipe, a rotary agitator journaled therein, and guides, as O and P, for centering the discharge-pipe and agitator.

3. The combination of a fountain, an agitator having a hollow journal-bearing and 40 pivoted at one end in said fountain, and a removable pipe-connection extending into the fountain and agitator and constituting another bearing for the agitator.

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