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Can-Top.

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Fig. 1.

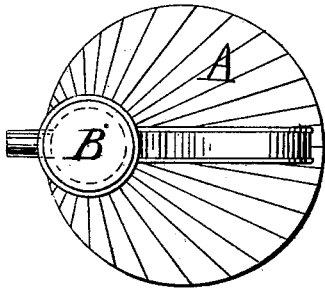


Fig. 3.

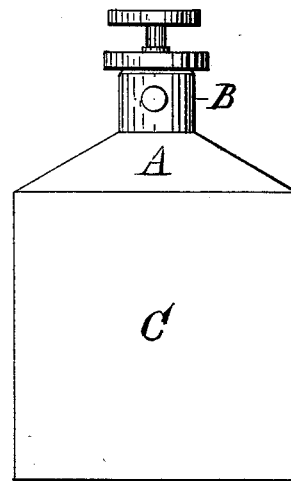
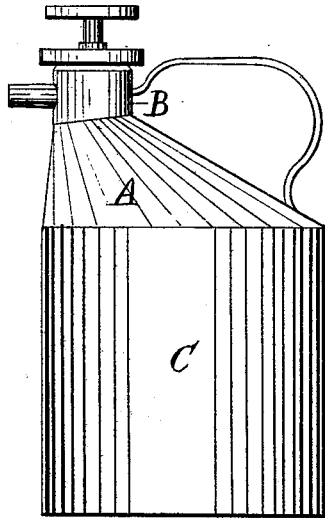
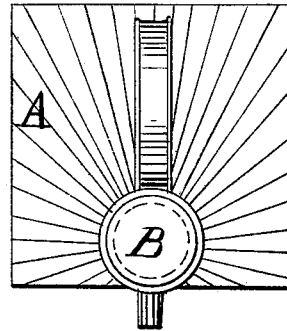


Fig. 2.

Fig. 4.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CAN-TOPS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **221,489**, dated November 11, 1879; application filed July 7, 1879.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FENN WILLCOX, of the city of Newark, in the county of Essex, State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Can-Tops, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in package oil-cans, which are used in the transportation of oil, and are commonly provided with a stop or faucet to prevent leakage.

Such cans have hitherto been provided with either a flat top or a conical top having its sides sloped equally toward the center; and my improvement consists in shaping the top of the can, as is shown in the accompanying drawings, with a conical top, or one nearly conical, having its apex close to one side of the can to facilitate the discharge of the contents.

Figure 1 shows a plan of a round can provided with my improved top, and Fig. 2 an elevation of the same. Fig. 3 shows the top applied to a square can, and Fig. 4 an elevation of the same.

A is the top, sloped all toward the point at the side of the can selected for the outlet. B

is the faucet in common use, secured to the apex of the top at or near one edge of the can, and C is the body of any ordinary shape to which the improved top may be applied.

My invention for a top sloped all toward one side of the can possesses a great advantage over one sloped from all sides toward the center, as in the latter case the can must be almost inverted to drain its contents entirely, while the top I have invented receives the fluid and directs it all toward the outlet, when the body C is merely raised to a horizontal position.

I therefore claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An oil-can top tapering upward to a nozzle located eccentrically at or near to one of its sides, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereto set my hand this 1st day of July, 1879.

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