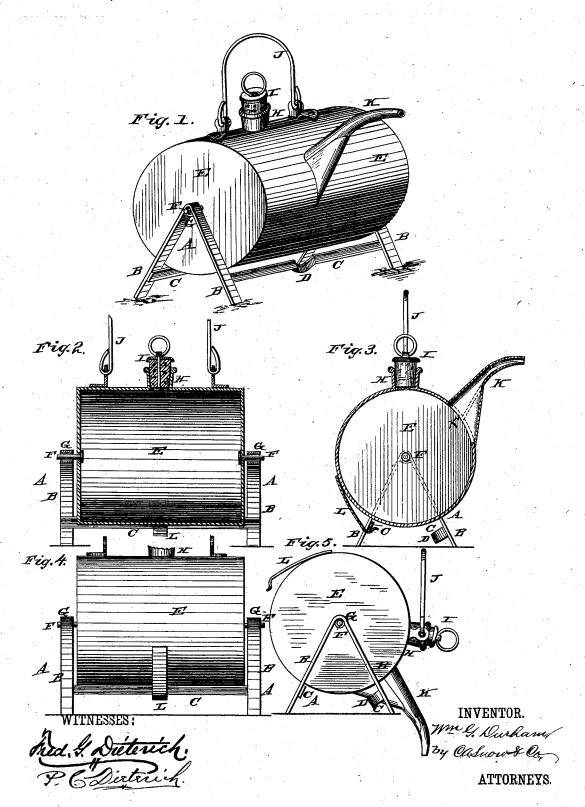
W. G. DURHAM. OIL CAN.

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OIL-CAN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM G. DURHAM, of Greensborough, in the county of Greene and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Oil-Cans; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

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In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my device; Fig. 2, a longitudinal vertical sectional view; Fig. 3, a transverse sectional view; Fig. 4, a rear view, and Fig 5 an 20 end view, of the device in operation.

Referring by letter to the drawings, A designates a supporting-frame, consisting of Ashaped end standards, BB, connected near their lower ends by longitudinal cross-strips CC, one of which is curved at its center, as shown at D.

E designates the cylindrical oil can, having gudgeons F F at its ends, which turn in bearings G G in the top of standards B B. Can E is provided in its top with the usual opening, H, for filling, closed by a cork or cap, I, a bail, J, for convenience in transportation, and below the opening H with outlet-spout or tube K, having an enlarged inner mouth or opening, K', so that the entire contents of the can may run out when the latter is in the position shown in Fig. 5, the enlarged portion resting in the curve D, as shown.

To the under rear side of the can is secured a flat spring, L, which engages the cross-strip 40 C and serves to hold the can in an upright position when not in use.

The operation and advantages of my invention will be readily understood. To pour out the oil it is only necessary to grasp the bail 45 and turn the can till the spout is in the necessary inclined position, the spring L being drawn from contact with the cross strip. When the oil in the can is very low the spout will be supported in the curve D of the cross-piece C.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent.

1. The combination, with the cylindrical oilcan turning in bearings in the end standards of the frame, having connecting cross-strips, 55 of the flat spring adapted to engage one of the cross-strips and retain the can in an upright position, as set forth.

2. The combination, with the frame A, having end standards, B B, connected by longi- 60 tudinal cross strips C C, of the cylindrical oilcan E, having bearings G G in said standards, and provided with bail J and outlet spout or tube K, and on its under rear side with a flat spring, L, adapted to engage one of the cross- 65 strips, as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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