

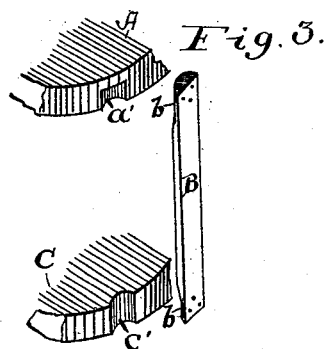
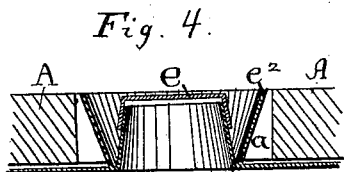
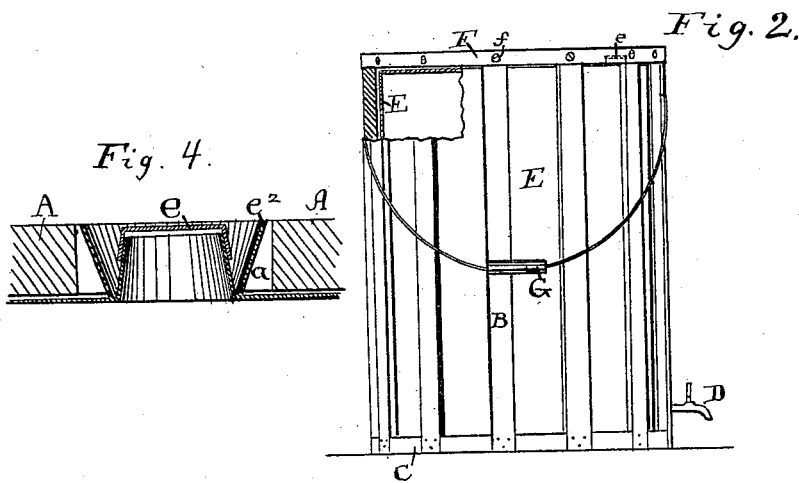
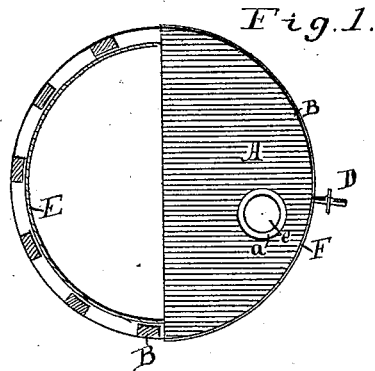
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## CRATED CAN.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES R. NELSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Waterville, in the county of Kennebec and State of Maine, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Crated Cans, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

The object of my invention is to construct a crated can in such a manner that the can may be readily removed from its jacket, which jacket shall afford complete protection to the can, and that the whole device may be closely packed for transportation. I accomplish this object by means of the device shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is half-plan and half-section across can. Fig. 2 is a side elevation with a portion cut away. Fig. 3 is a detail showing the manner of inserting the slat. Fig. 4 is a detail showing the stopper.

The top of the crate consists of a circular piece, A, containing around its edge a series of half-round notches, *a'*. It also contains a circular opening, *a*. The notches *a'* do not extend through the entire thickness of the top A, so that the upper surface of A is left smooth. The bottom C contains a similar set of notches, *c'*, except that they extend through the entire thickness of the bottom. The top and bottom of the crate are connected by the slats B, the ends *b* of which are rounded to fit the notches *a'* and *c'*. Around the upper end of the crate is the hoop F, which is secured to the top by screws *f*, passing through the upper ends

of the slats B. A can, E, is inclosed within the crate, the stopper of which, *e*, projects through the head A. D is a faucet attached to the can, and G is a bail or handle. Around the stopper *e* is the flange or cup *e'*.

My cans, having, as they do, a flat top, can be piled on top of each other to any extent. They can also be readily taken apart by removing the screws *f f'*.

By joining the slats B with the top and bottom of the crate, in the manner above described, I am enabled to make the notches *a' c'* with one blow of the chisel, which would be impossible if the notch had square corners.

The cup or flange *e'* prevents any oil from dripping from the opening at *e* when the oil is decanted at that point.

I claim—

1. The crated can composed of the heads A and C, united by the slats B, fitting into half-round notches *a' c'* and inclosing the can E, with its stopper *e* and flange *e'*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The heads A and C, each respectively provided with half-round notches *a' c'*, combined with and united by the slats B, having rounded ends to fit into said notches, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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