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Basket.

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Fig: 1.

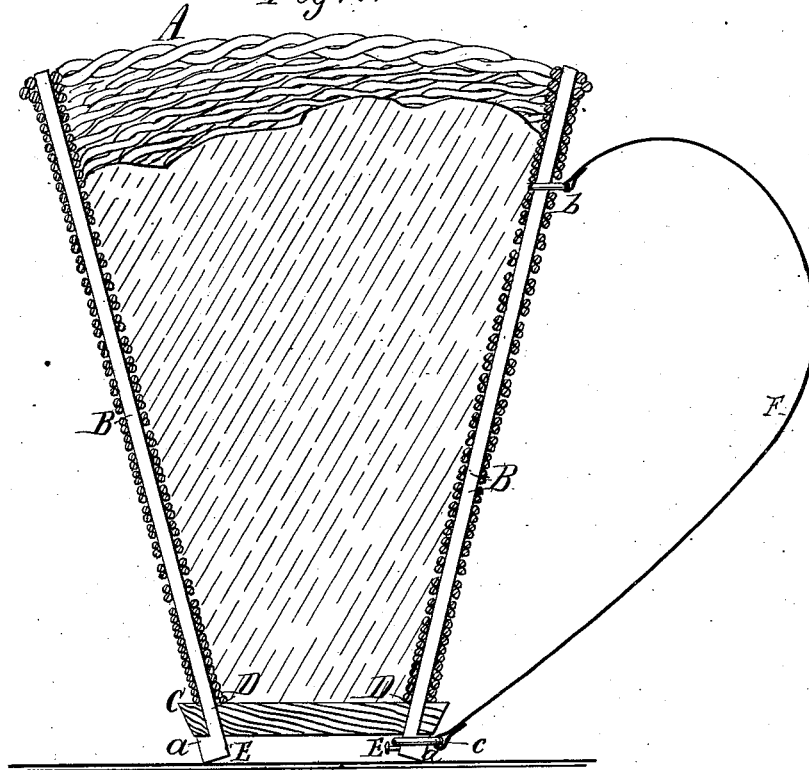
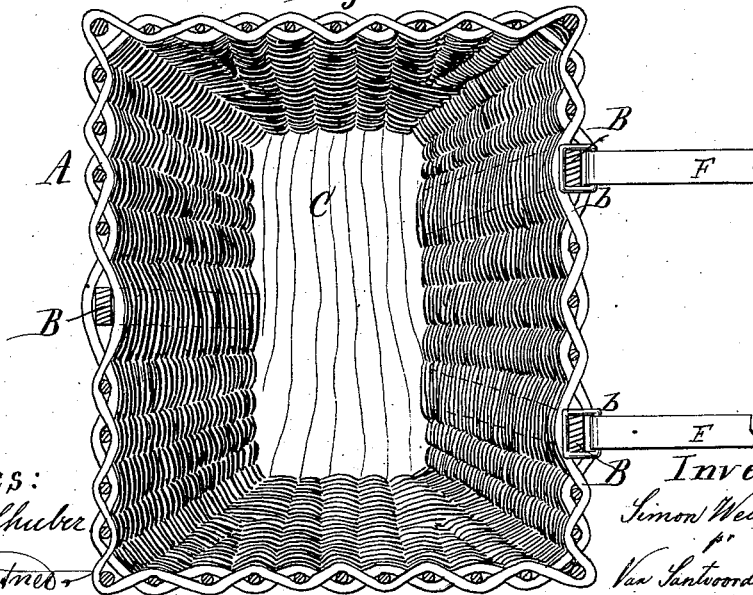


Fig: 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BASKETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SIMON WEINSTOCK, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a certain new and Improved Basket, of which the following is a specification:

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which Figure 1 represents a vertical central section of my basket. Fig. 2 is a horizontal section of the same.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

My invention relates to a basket constructed of hurdle-work; and consists in combining with the hurdle-work a series of stiffening-rods and a solid bottom, by means of which the basket acquires great strength and durability, while I obtain a firm support for the straps used to carry the basket. It consists also in a peculiar connection of the stiffening-rods with the bottom of the basket, which bottom is provided with holes, through and from which the rods project, in such a manner as to form a simple and convenient connection for the straps, and, furthermore, form supports to the basket when it rests on the ground.

In the drawing, the letter A designates a basket, the body of which is constructed of what is known as hurdle-work, and which may be of any chosen form or outline. On opposite sides of this basket are situated one and two, or any other chosen number of, upright rods, B, of wood or other stiff material, which rods are preferably worked into the hurdle so as to be partially concealed. The rods B are connected to the bottom C, which is composed of a piece of solid wood or other suitable material, in which, at suitable points, are formed holes or openings D. Through these openings D the stiffening-rods B are passed when the same are put in place, the rods being provided with a shoulder, *a*, near the bottom end, which shoulder abuts against the lower side of the bottom C, and serves to determine the position of the rods. The shoul-

der *a* is formed at such a part of the rods that the latter project, as at E, below the bottom. These projections E are intended to receive the loose end of the strap or straps F, used for carrying the basket, and one end of which is permanently fastened thereto, as hereinafter explained. Two straps are used in the present example, and to the loose end thereof is affixed a loop or ring, *b*, which is fitted over the projections E of the bottom, and is adjusted on the projections when the straps are slung over the shoulders of a person, and it is desired to carry the basket on the back. The fixed end of the strap is fastened to the basket, preferably at or near its top, at which point there is situated a loop or ring, *b*, that embraces the stiffening-rods B, and to which the ends of the straps are secured. When the basket is placed on the ground, or on any level object, it rests on the projections E, and the bottom is thus preserved against injury, or against becoming wet if the basket should be placed in a wet spot.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination in a basket constructed of hurdle-work, and having a solid bottom, of stiffening-rods extending longitudinally through the meshes thereof, and projecting through the bottom, to form feet for the basket to rest upon, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. The combination of the stiffening-rods B, having projections E beneath the bottom of the basket, with the strap or straps F, having loops *b c*, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of January, 1875.

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