

A. WOOD.
Oil-Can.

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Fig. 1.

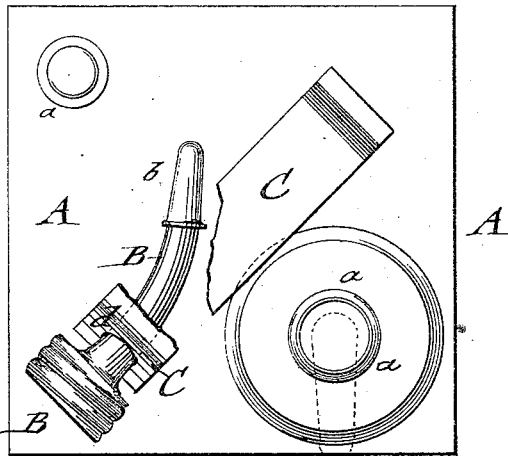
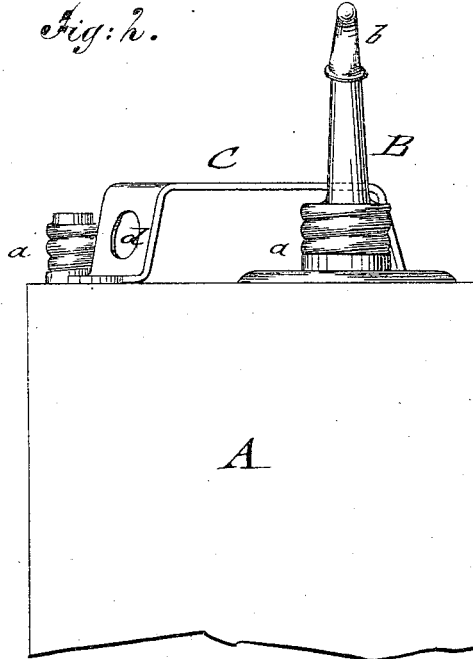


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN OIL-CANS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABIEL WOOD, of Brooklyn, Kings county, New York, have invented a new and Improved Oil-Can, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 represents a top view, and Fig. 2 a side elevation, of my improved oil-can.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The invention will first be fully described, and then pointed out in the claim.

A represents an oil-can of the usual size and shape, which is provided at opposite points of its top part with separate spout and vent openings, that are closed by soft-metal pieces soldered thereto in the customary manner. Both spout and vent openings are further provided with raised sheet-metal screws *a*, that are jointly with the soft-metal pieces soldered to the can. When the can is to be emptied for using the contents the soft-metal pieces of the vent and spout are perforated, and a spout, B, with a sheet-metal screw part and tightening cork disk, turned on the corresponding raised screw part *a* of the can, so that by tipping the can the same may be readily emptied without the escape of a particle of oil, as the vent-hole is at the farthest point from the spout, and offers no chance for the oil to drip or ooze out, as is the case with the combined spout and vent devices patented heretofore.

After a sufficient quantity of oil has been taken from the can the spout is closed by a small cap, *b*, at the end, while the vent-socket is closed by its sheet-metal cap, so that the oil is thereby prevented from evaporating and producing a disagreeable smell of oil. A rigid handle, C, is firmly soldered to the top of the can, its top or bridge part being at such a height above the top of the can that not only the raised sheet-metal screw-sockets *a* are protected against being injured during transpor-

tation, but also the tapering end of the spout may be inserted in a perforation, *d*, of the side or brace part of the handle C until seated securely therein, being similarly protected by the higher bridge of the handle.

Simultaneously with the inserting of the spout in the handle, for the purpose of shipping the can, the cap-piece *b* is firmly placed on the end with the other hand, the flange of the same preventing the playing out of the spout, even if it should get loose in its seat in the handle. The spout and vent arrangement is simple and inexpensive, and very reliable and convenient for shipment and use of the can.

Heretofore oil-cans have been provided with a spout arranged on the discharge-nipple of the can, and constructed to be swung or rotated thereon, in order that it may be swung over the top of the fixed handle, where it is retained by a sliding hook arranged on the handle, the object being to bring openings in the spout and opening in an inwardly-projecting shank of the nipple into and out of coincidence, for closing or opening the discharge-orifice; but such is not my invention, and is disclaimed by me.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An oil-can provided with a removable spout and a rigid handle, C, the body of which is constructed with an opening, *d*, substantially as described, whereby the said spout can be removed from its nipple and inserted into the opening in said handle, for retaining and protecting the same, as set forth.

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