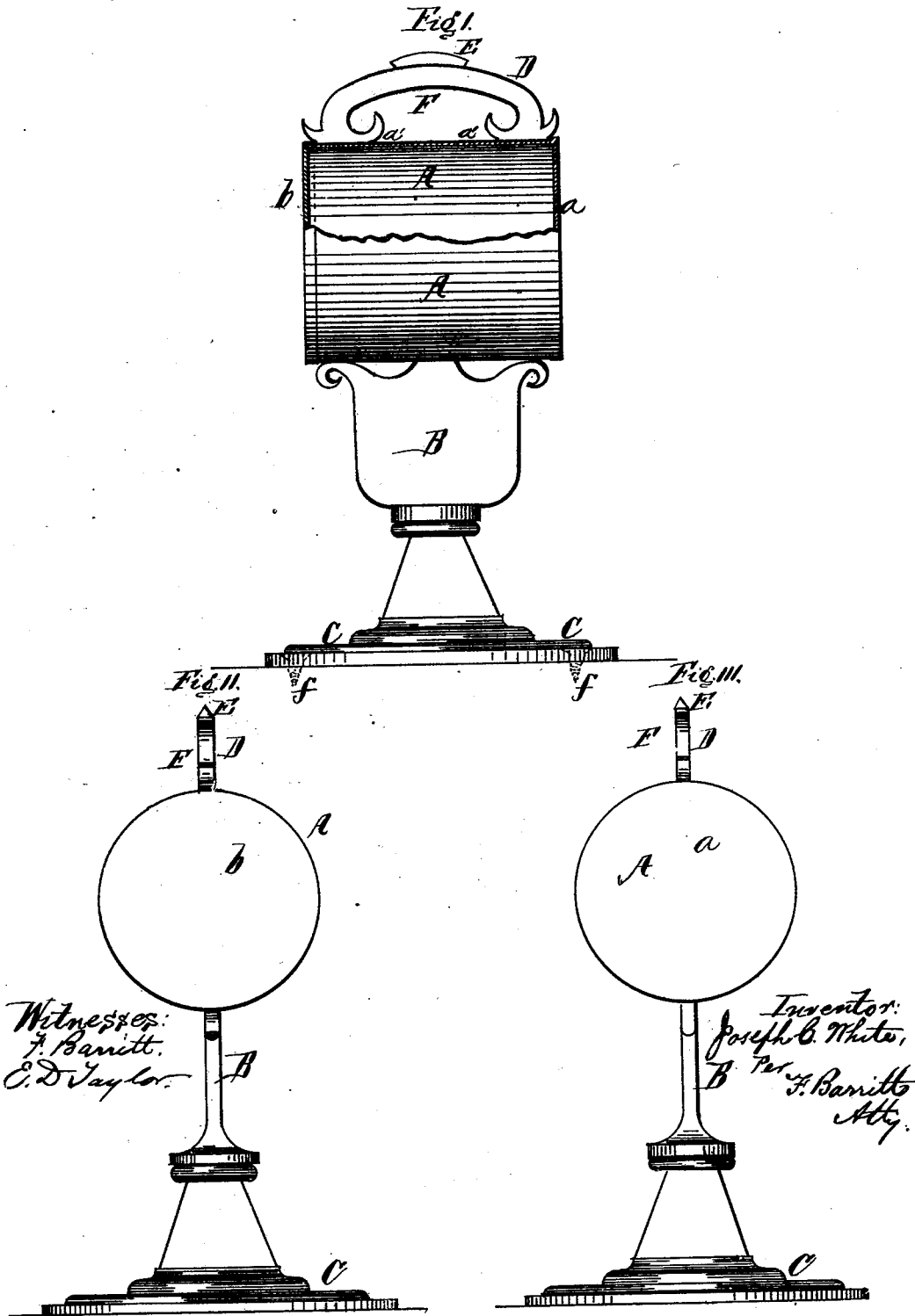


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IMPROVEMENT IN TWINE-HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH C. WHITE, of the city of New York, county and State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Combined Cord-Holder and Cord-Cutter, of which the following is a clear and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, of which—

Figure 1 is a side view of my improved cord holder and cutter, with the cord-holder in part section to show that the same is hollow. Figs. 2 and 3 are end views.

The object of this invention is to produce an ornamental cord-holder combined with a cord-cutter, for the use of stores or other places where cord is used.

Referring to the drawing, letter A is the cord-holder, made of wood or metal or any other substance, as the case may be. This cord-holder is made hollow for the reception of a ball of twine, and is provided with a stationary head, *a*, and a movable head, *b*. The holder A is supported from the floor or counter by a standard, B, which is provided with a foot or base piece, C, which is pierced with one or more holes, through which screws *ff* are placed, by which the holder and stand are secured to the counter or table.

The standard and base or foot can be of any shape, and may, if desirable, be used for advertising.

To the top of the holder A is placed the

cord-cutter D, which consists of a blade of steel, E, sharpened, supported on an ornamental bracket, F, which is fastened to the top of the holder A at *a'*. The bracket may be also used for advertising, and the form of said bracket may be of any shape.

The holder A may be of any form. It may be of the form of a spool of cotton, as shown in the drawing, or it may be of the form of a bottle. The shape is to be governed according to that branch of trade into which it is to be used. On the head *a* of the holder A is placed a calendar, and on head *b* is placed a thermometer.

As other things may be placed on these heads by way of ornamentation—such as a clock or likenesses—I do not, therefore, wish to be understood as confining myself to the use of a calendar or thermometer.

Having thus described my invention, I desire to claim—

As a new article of manufacture, a twine-holder, consisting of the holder A, with the fixed head *a* and the movable head *b*, ornamented as described, the standard B, foot-piece C, having screw-holes, bracket F, with the twine-cutter D secured to its upper part, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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