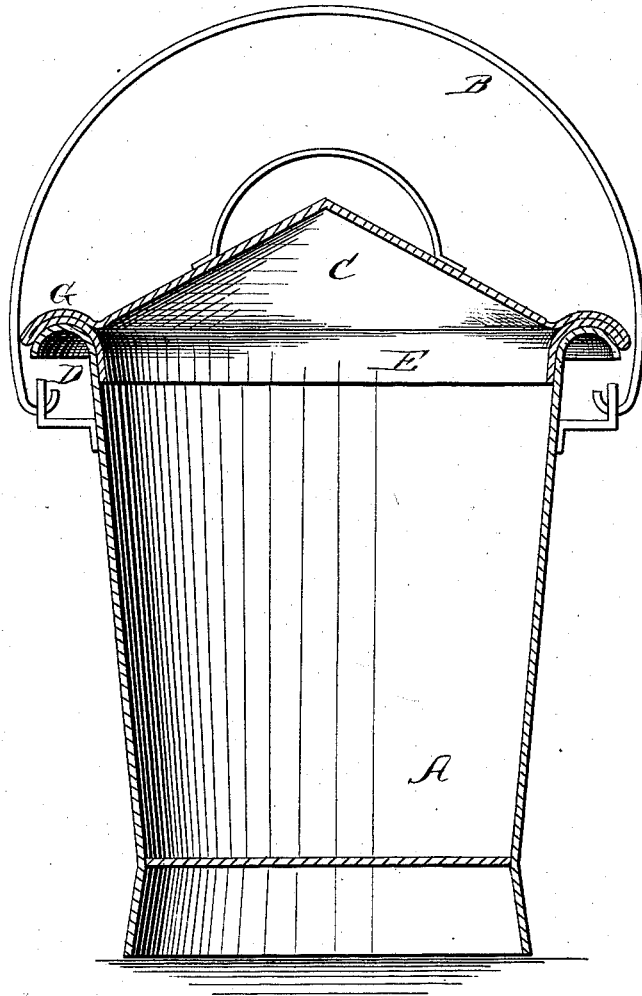


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## IMPROVEMENT IN COMMODES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SAMUEL WHITNUM, of Green Point, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Commodes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to the usual or ordinary chamber-buckets; and it consists in so constructing the same that in cases of necessity at night it can be used as a commode, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which the figure is a central vertical section of my invention.

A represents an ordinary chamber-bucket, provided with the bail B and cover C. The upper edge of the bucket A, as usually constructed, terminates in a wire bound in the metal. I turn the metal outward all around

the bucket, and then downward, so as to form a comparatively broad rim, D, convex upon its upper surface. The cover C, to correspond with this alteration in the form of the bucket, is provided with a flange, E, to fit closely within the bucket, and also with a concavo-convex rim, G, to fit over the rim D.

This construction does not materially alter the appearance of the ordinary chamber-buckets; but it adapts it for use as a commode in case of necessity in the night-time.

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

The combination of the bucket A, having the convex rim D around its upper end, and the cover C, provided with the flange E and concavo-convex rim G, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

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

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