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Barrel-Cover.

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Fig: 1.

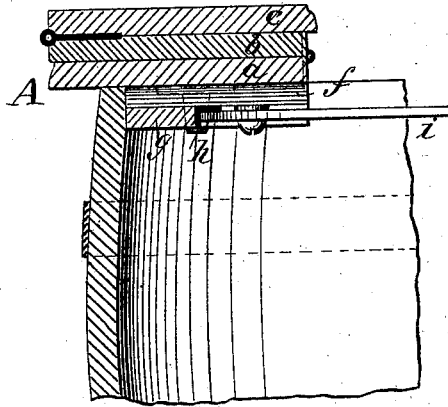
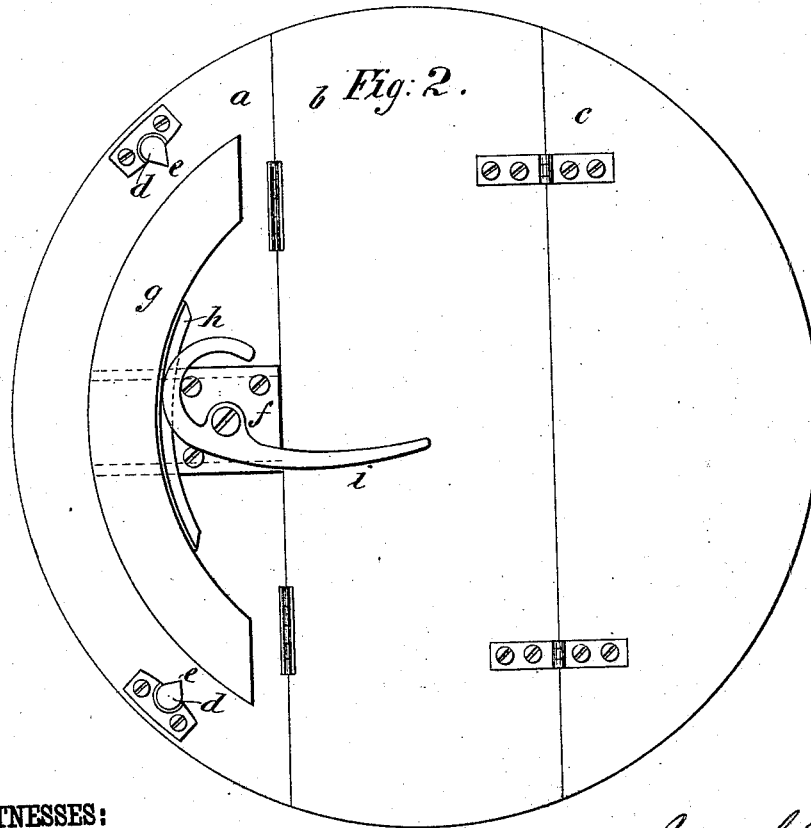


Fig: 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BARREL-COVERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SYLVESTER W. SHELDON, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Barrel-Cover, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a transverse section of my improved barrel-cover. Fig. 2 is an inverted plan view.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention relates to removable covers for barrels; and it consists in a cover made in three hinged sections, one of which is provided with a clamping device for securing it to the barrel, and the other two are arranged to fold together, and also to fold upon the fixed portion.

Referring to the drawing, A is a barrel-cover composed of three pieces, *a b c*. The piece *a* is provided with two short studs, *d*, near its outer edge, which are each provided with a pointed nib, *e*, that projects toward the center of the cover. In the middle of this piece *a*, and on the diametrical line of the cover, there is a dovetail-shaped guide, *f*, to which is fitted a curved piece, *g*, which fits the inner surface of the chine of the barrel, and has upon its inner surface a metallic fric-

tion-plate, *h*. A cam-lever, *i*, is pivoted to the guide *f*, and when turned on its pivot it bears upon the plate *h*, and forces the curved piece *g* outward against the chine of the barrel, thus clamping the chine firmly between the piece *g* and studs *d*. The middle section, *b*, of the barrel-cover is hinged to the section *a*, so that it will fold over upon its upper surface. The section *c* is hinged to the section *b*, so that it will fold down upon it when the said section *b* is folded down on the section *a*.

The object in making the cover in three hinged sections is to permit of opening it under a shelf, or in a place where it would be impossible to open a cover made in two sections.

Another advantage claimed for my improved cover is, that it may be folded compactly together for shipment and storage.

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

The combination of the guide *f*, slide-piece *g*, plate *h*, and cam-lever *i* with the section *a*, as and for the purpose specified.

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