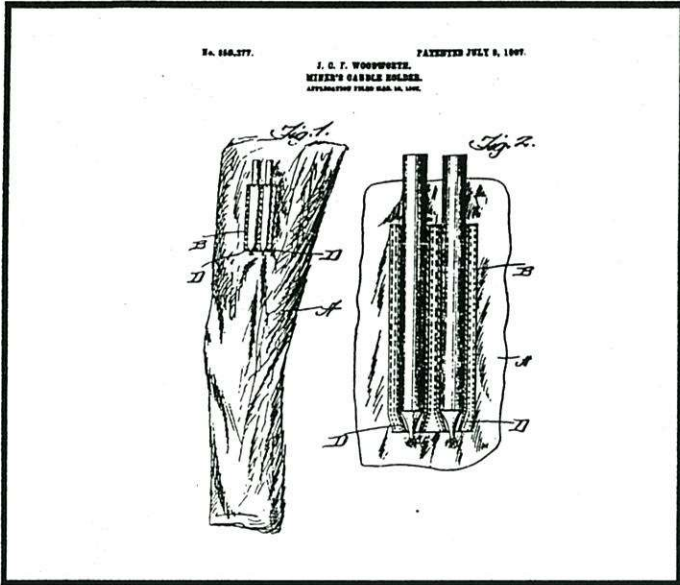


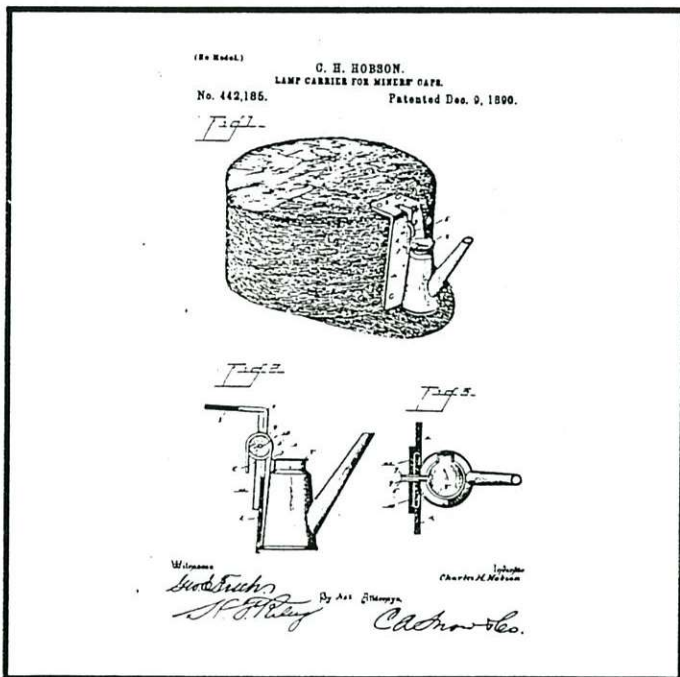
He Used a Pantload of Candles

Jack Ramsdell of Carson City, NV sends two interesting patents. The first is a holster for carrying candles. A piece of fabric is sewn onto a trouser leg in such a way as to form two tubes. Both are open at the bottom end to allow foreign matter to fall through. The inventor, John Woodworth, lived in Silverbell, Arizona. It was patented July 9, 1907, a time when Arizona was still a territory and lone prospectors roamed about. Mr. Woodworth must have spent one too many lonely nights with the mules to think of this one.



An Oil Lamp Pulley?

This invention prevented the common problem of oil spilling from the lamp when a miner stooped over. The lamp hung in a notched wheel (or pulley as it is described). No matter what forward angle the miner's cap tilted, the pivoting wheel kept the lamp upright.



Fuse Lighters

Leo Stambaugh, of Georgetown, Colorado, came up with a very unique item from his home town. The Matthews Fuse Lighters, made in Denver, Colorado, Pat. Sept 5, 1893. The round tin has a light blue paper label on the top and around the side. Leo had two of these tins mint and unopened. Curious to find out what the fuse lighters looked like, he opened one of the tins up, and to his surprise, found the instruction paper inside with all the tack size fuse lighters. Reading the instructions explains how they were used.