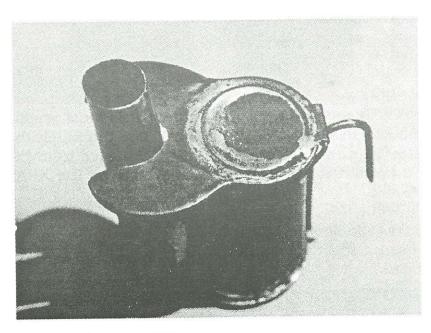
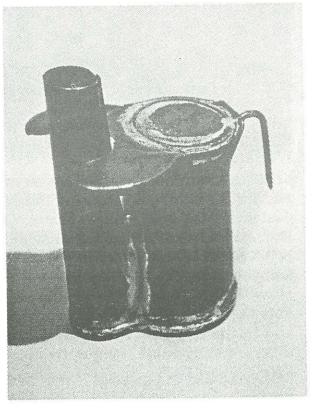


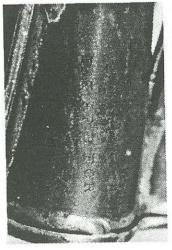
Enlarged view of stamping: Gardner & Richards, Little Gem.

Little Gem

by Dave Thorpe







Unlike carbide lamps whose names were catchy, few oil wick lamps were stamped with anything but patent/maker information. Not so here. Witness the "Little Gem" whose hinged lid resembles a toilet seat. This rare beauty appeared at the Frisco, Colorado show, and was last seen in the hands of Keith Williams. The complete stamping is as follows:

GARDNER & RICHARDA LITTLE GEM STYLE NO. 2 WILKES BARRE, PA. (left side)

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(right side)

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