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Fig. 1.

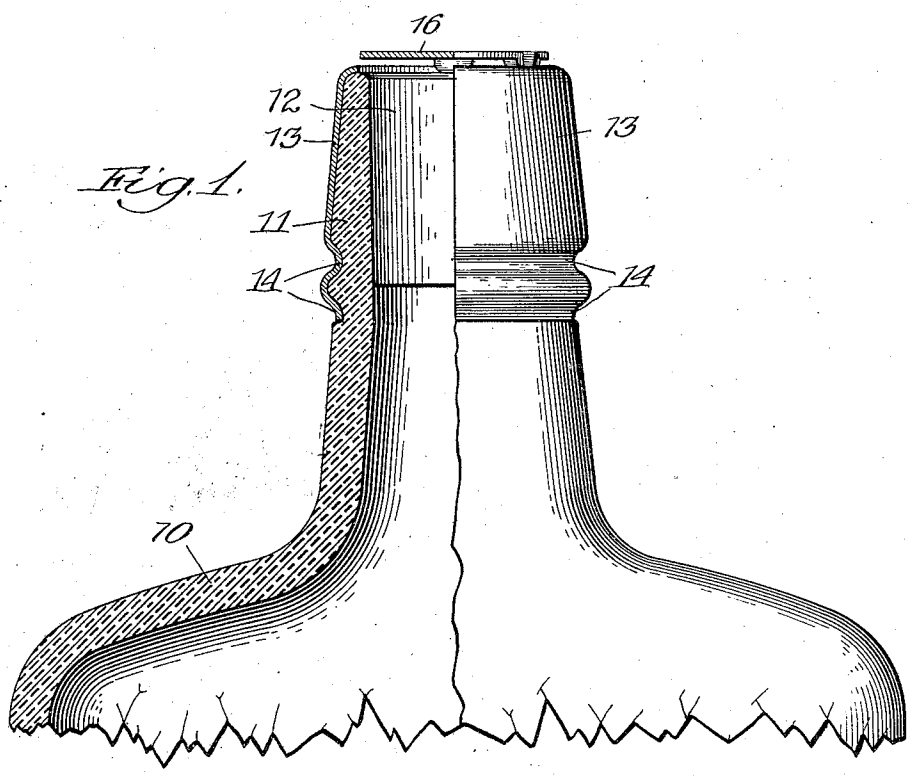


Fig. 2.

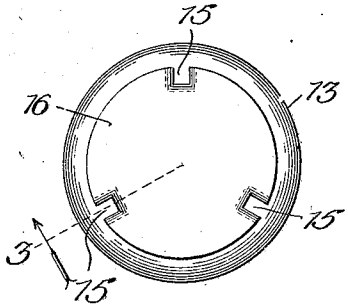
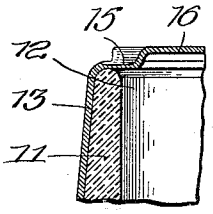


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER A. STATTMANN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Seals for Bottles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to seal for bottles and the like and is fully described in the following specification and shown in the accompanying drawings in which

Figure 1 is an elevation partially in section through the neck of a bottle embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the seal and Fig. 3 is a partial section on the line 3 of Fig. 2.

The embodiment illustrated consists of a bottle 10 having a neck 11 which is normally closed by a cork stopper 12.

In order to prevent tampering with the contents of the bottle after the cork is inserted, I have provided a thimble-like seal 13 which snugly fits over the upper portion of the neck, the lower end of the seal being rolled at 14 so as to make it impossible to withdraw the seal from the neck of the bottle without visibly marring the same.

The top of the seal is cut through except at the bridges 15 and the cut portion 16 raised as shown in Fig. 1 so that a knife or other sharp instrument can be inserted under it and the bridges 15 cut or broken off, so as to remove the cut portion 16 so that the stopper 12 can be removed. When this is done, however, the seal is broken and no longer serves to prevent the contents of the bottle being removed and other contents inserted.

While I have shown and described certain embodiments of my invention, it is to be understood that it is capable of many modifications. Changes, therefore, in the construction and arrangement may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as disclosed in the appended claims in which it is my intention to claim all novelty inherent in my invention as broadly as possible in view of the prior art.

I claim

1. A seal for a bottle comprising a thimble adapted to be secured over the mouth of the bottle, a disk cut from the top of said thimble except for a plurality of narrow bridges, the opening uncovered by said disk being greater than the opening in the neck of the bottle whereby the cork of the bottle may be withdrawn through the opening when said seal is broken.

2. A seal for a bottle comprising a thimble adapted to be contracted about the mouth of the bottle, a disk cut from the top of said thimble except for a plurality of narrow bridges, the opening uncovered by said disk being greater than the opening in the neck of the bottle whereby the cork of the bottle may be withdrawn through the opening when said seal is broken.

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