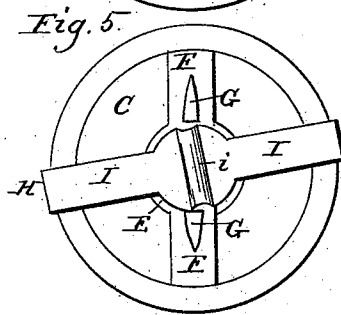
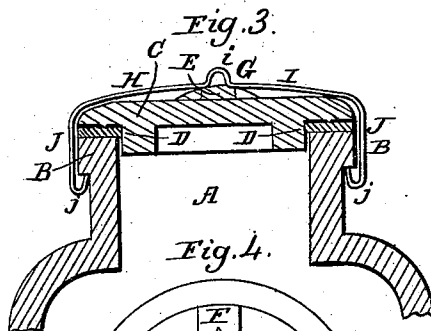
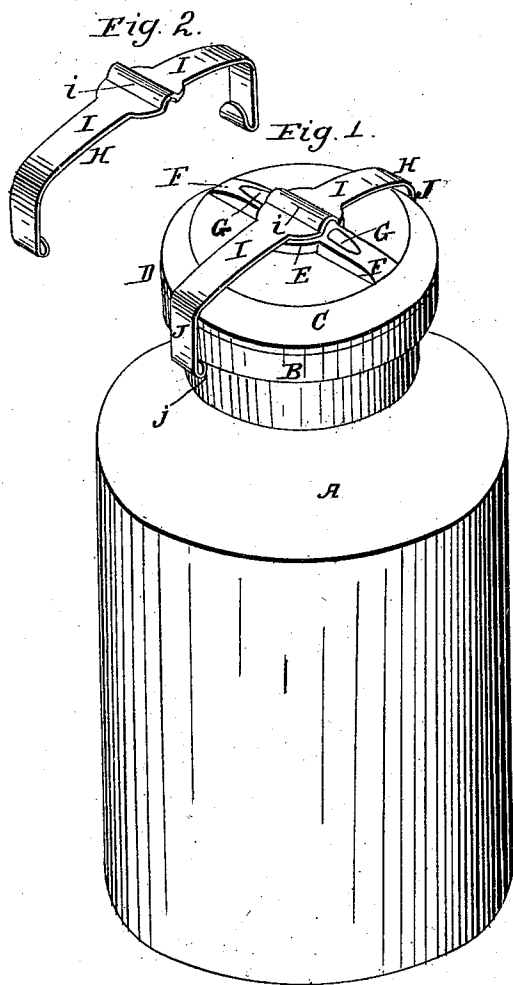


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Fruit Jar.

No. 36,131.

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IMPROVED JAR FOR PROVISIONS, &c.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 36,131, dated August 5, 1892.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM ZETTLE, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Stopper for Preserve-Jars; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making part of this specification.

The object of this invention is the provision of a cheap, simple, and effective device for hermetically closing the mouths of jars and cans.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a jar furnished with my improvement. Fig. 2 shows the clamp detached. Fig. 3 is an axial section of the jar-top. Figs. 4 and 5 are top views of the cover, showing, respectively, the unlocked and locked conditions of the clamp.

A is a jar having a projecting rim, B. C is a cover of glass or other suitable material. D is a gasket, which, being pressed between the jar and cover, acts to close the joint. E is a central boss on the top of the cover. F are two inclined planes leading from opposite sides of the cover gradually up to the level of the central boss. G are studs projecting from the inclined planes F. H is a clamp consisting of an arched middle portion, I, with a central crimp, *i*, and two vertical portions, J, having inward and upturned lips *j*.

Operation: The gasket and cover being

placed in position, the clamp is pushed side-wise onto the jar-top, with its crimp *i* over the lug G. The ends of the middle portion, I, are then depressed, so as to allow the claws *j* to slide along easily under the rim B until the clamp is brought to its central position. (See Figs. 1, 3, and 4.) The next and concluding manipulation is to lock the clamp, so as to prevent its accidental dislodgment. This is accomplished by rotating the clamp H through about ten degrees, so as to bring the un-crimped portion opposite the studs G. (See Fig. 5.)

I claim herein as new and of my invention—

1. The combination of cover C, having the boss E, inclined planes F, and studs G, with the binding and locking clamp H I *i* J *j*, for application to a rimmed jar or like vessel in the manner set forth.

2. The construction of the cover C, with wedge-shaped projections F F, in combination with the clamp H and the neck of the jar, as shown and described.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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