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[54] VALVE FOR A TRANSPORTABLE CONTAINER SUCH AS A KEG FOR DISTRIBUTING A DRINKABLE LIQUID SUCH AS BEER, WINE OR CIDER UNDER PRESSURE OF A GAS SUCH AS CO₂

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[37] CLAIM

The ornamental design for a valve for a transportable container such as a keg for distributing a drinkable liquid such as beer, wine or cider under pressure of a gas such as CO₂, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a top and side perspective view of a valve for a transportable container such as a keg for distributing a drinkable liquid such as beer, wine, or cider under pressure of a gas such as CO₂, showing my new design, the opposite side being a mirror image of that shown; FIG. 2 is a bottom and side perspective view thereof; FIG. 3 is a side elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof; FIG. 6 is a bottom and side perspective view of a siphon tube shown separately for clarity of illustration, the opposite side being a mirror of that shown; FIG. 7 is a top and side perspective view of FIG. 6; FIG. 8 is a side elevational view of FIG. 6; FIG. 9 is a top plan view of FIG. 8; FIG. 10 is a bottom plan view of FIG. 8; FIG. 11 is a top and side perspective view of a collar, shown separately for clarity of illustration, the opposite side being a mirror image of that shown; FIG. 12 is a bottom and side perspective view of FIG. 11; FIG. 13 is a side elevational view of FIG. 11; FIG. 14 is a top plan view of FIG. 11; FIG. 15 is a bottom plan view of FIG. 11; FIG. 16 is a top and side perspective view of a housing of the claimed design, shown separately for clarity of illustration; FIG. 17 is a bottom and side perspective view of FIG. 16; FIG. 18 is a side elevational view of FIG. 16; FIG. 19 is a top plan view of FIG. 16; and, FIG. 20 is a bottom plan view of FIG. 16.