

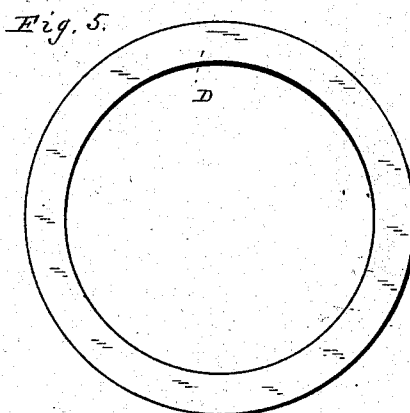
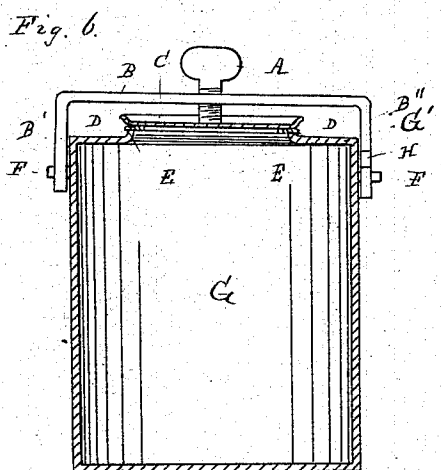
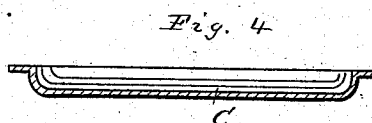
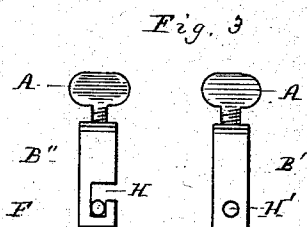
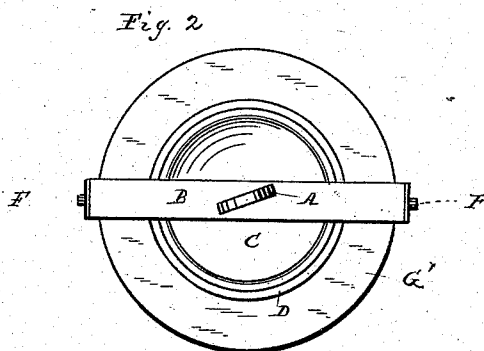
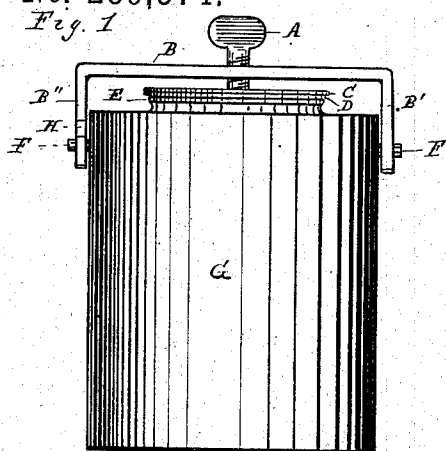
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FRUIT CAN.

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FRUIT-CAN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. BARTER, a citizen of Indiana, residing at Mount Vernon, in the county of Posey and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fruit-Cans; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

15 This invention relates to improvements in fruit-cans, and has for its object to hermetically seal the top to the can in a simple and expeditious manner without the use of sealing-wax or other sealing materials. This object is attained by the device illustrated in the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

25 Figure 1 is an elevation. Fig. 2 is a plan; Fig. 3, end views of the yoke, (detached,) showing the construction of each end of the yoke and the manner of securing it to the can. Fig. 4 is a sectional view of the cover of the can. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the rubber band. Fig. 6 is a sectional view of the can, its cover, and india-rubber gasket.

30 The letter A indicates a thumb-screw, which penetrates the yoke B, which has a perforation provided with screw-threads for that purpose.

G' is the top of the can, and C is the removable cover of a circular opening therein, having a raised rim, E. (Shown in Fig. 1.)

F are pins projecting from opposite sides of the can G, and are intended to enter the openings H H' in ends B'' and B' of the yoke B. (Shown in detail in Fig. 3.)

40 To seal the can, the rubber band D is placed upon rim E, (of the opening in the top of the can;) the cover C is then laid thereon; the perforation H' is then placed on one of the pins F; the yoke is then swung round until the other 45 pin F enters the opening H; the thumb-screw is then screwed down upon the cover C until a tight joint is made.

50 The can G is preferably made of sheet metal, as well as the cover C; but I do not confine myself to this material, as, with slight modifications, glass as well as jars of stoneware may be used—such as a jar having an outwardly-projecting rim at the top—and pins F secured thereto in some convenient 55 manner.

Having described my invention, what I desire to secure by Letters Patent, and claim, is—

60 In a fruit-can, the can G, having pins F and rim E, in combination with rubber D, cover C, and yoke B, having thumb-screw A, and openings H H', as described, and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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