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Stopper.

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Fig. 1.

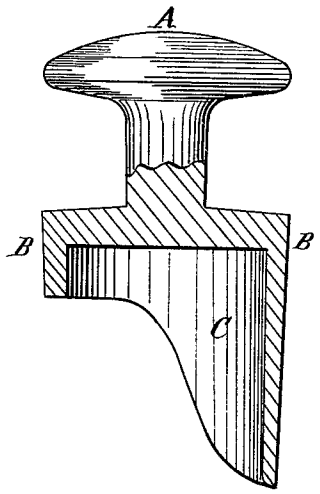
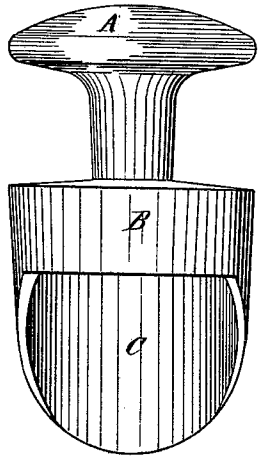


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN STOPPERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RICHARD TULLY ELLIFRIT, of Platte City, in the county of Platte and State of Missouri, have invented a new and Improved Stopper, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in ground-glass stoppers for medicine jars and bottles; and the object of the improvement is to enable the stopper to be used as a scoop.

The invention consists in forming on the inner end of the stopper, at one side of the hollow portion, an extension in trough shape, constituting a scoop for measuring or handling the contents of jar.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a section of my improved stopper, and Fig. 2 is a side view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the top of the stopper. B is the conical part, ground to fit the neck of the bottle. On one side this end is provided with a trough-shaped extension-scoop, C, the end of which is rounded, while the curved bottom is carried up to join the conical part B opposite the extended side.

This scoop is employed for dipping out the contents of the jar, and also in place of spatulas, spoons, and scoops of horn, which are now usually employed in making the exact weights in dealing out medicines, drugs, &c., and also in filling jars. When these are employed, owing to the care necessary to prevent mixing the materials, a great many are required, or they have to be constantly cleaned.

By using this stopper, however, every jar will have its own scoop, which will always be in place for use when required.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A stopper having on its inner end a trough-shaped extension, as and for the purpose specified.

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