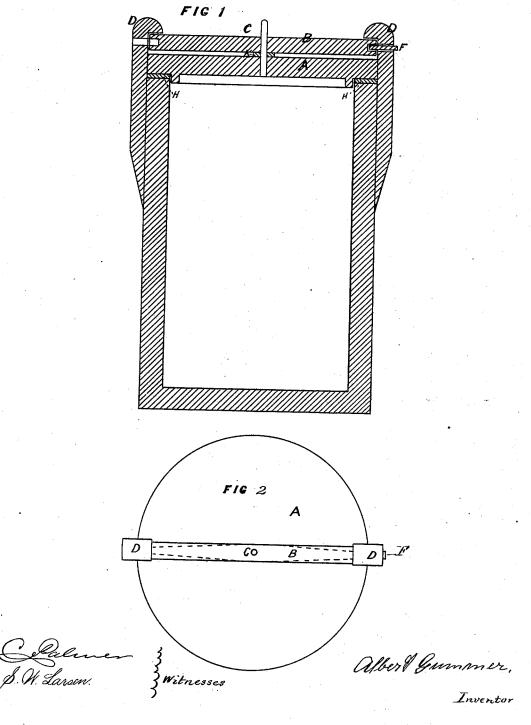
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## IMPROVEMENT IN FRUIT OR PRESERVE JARS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT GUMMER, of Omro, Winnebago county, Wisconsin, have invented certain Improvements in Fruit or Preserve Jars, of which the following is a

specification.

The object of my invention is to fasten the cover to a fruit or preserve jar by the use of a flexible button or bar, elastic enough to insure security to the fastening. I do this by making the jar with ears or lugs extending above the cover, and forming a lip or notch on top, under which slips the cover and also the ends of the button or fastening-bar, the lugs being pierced with holes for a pin on the fastening bar to prevent the bar from being pushed out sidewise.

There may be one pin or two—that is, one in each end of the bar. They are inserted after the ends of the bar are turned under the lugs. To further secure the cover the pressure of the elastic bar is assisted by an elastic washer or bearing under it.

Figure 1 is a section of the device. Fig. 2

is a plan.

A is the cover of the jar. B is the fastening-bar, which may be either straight-sided, with a pin, F, in the end, or diminishing in size from the center each way, as shown in Fig. 2. This bar is made sufficiently thin to spring or operate as a flexible bar.

C is a center-pin, holding the bar B, which being turned and forced under the lugs D the cover is tightened. E is a perforation for the pin F. H is an elastic ring. K is an elastic washer or bearing to assist the fastening-bar in tightening the cover.

I claim-

The combination of the perforated lugs D, the perforated flexible bar B, pivoted in the center, and having elastic washer or bearing K, and the pins F, substantially as shown and described, for the purpose specified.

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