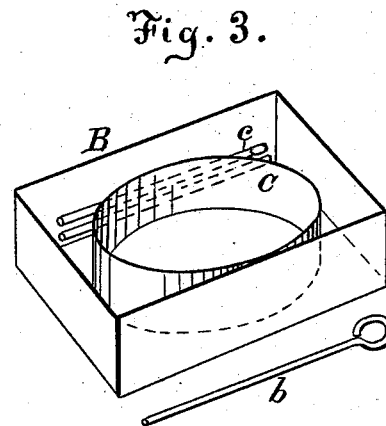
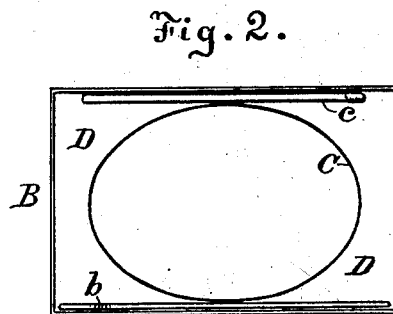
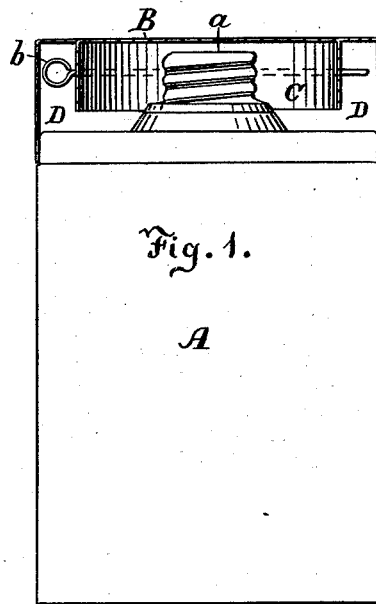


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IMPROVEMENT IN MEDICINE-PACKAGES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH H. GUILD, of Rupert, in the county of Bennington and State of Vermont, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Medicine-Packages; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which 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 letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to packages for holding medicines; and consists in providing the package or casing with a mouth at the upper end and a removable screw-cap, so as to form an air-tight medicine-package, and protect the contents, during transportation and use, from air or moisture.

It further consists in graduating the screw-cap in size, so that it will hold one dose of the medical preparation to be inclosed in the package, and in providing the package, at its upper end, with an outside cover, having a compartment inside, to hold the preparation for burning, when such is desired, and another compartment for holding a stirrer and other small articles used in connection with the medicine, as hereinafter shown and described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation, partly in section. Fig. 2 is a plan of the outside cover inverted. Fig. 3 shows, in perspective, the outside cover detached.

A designates the main casing of the package, usually made of sheet metal, and having a mouth at the upper end formed with a thread to receive a screw-cap, *a*, so that the package is air-tight when closed. The said cap *a* is

usually made of a size to hold one dose of the medical preparation contained in the package, and is used for measuring it.

B indicates the outside cover, which fits to the sides of the package at the top, as shown in the drawing. About its interior the cover B is provided with a rim or flange, C, depending from the inner side of the top of said cover, so that an inner compartment or vessel for holding a quantity of the preparation is formed, also space or another compartment, D, is left outside of the rim C to receive certain small articles used in connection with the medicine, as a stirrer, *b*, a few matches, *c*, &c.

The package constructed as shown is especially adapted for holding and using medical preparations which are administered by igniting them to create vapors for inhaling. The cap *a*, being removed and held in an inverted position, is filled from the package A, and emptied into the vessel C formed within the cover B. The contents are then ignited by means of a match, *c*, and stirred by using the stirrer *b*, usually formed of a piece of wire.

Having described my invention, I claim—

The case A containing medicine to be used by inhalation, having the stopper-cap *a* of the proper size for measuring the medicine, and the top or cover B of the case provided with the rim C, forming the compartment to hold the medicine while burning, and the compartment D for carrying the matches and stirrer, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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