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Fig. 1.

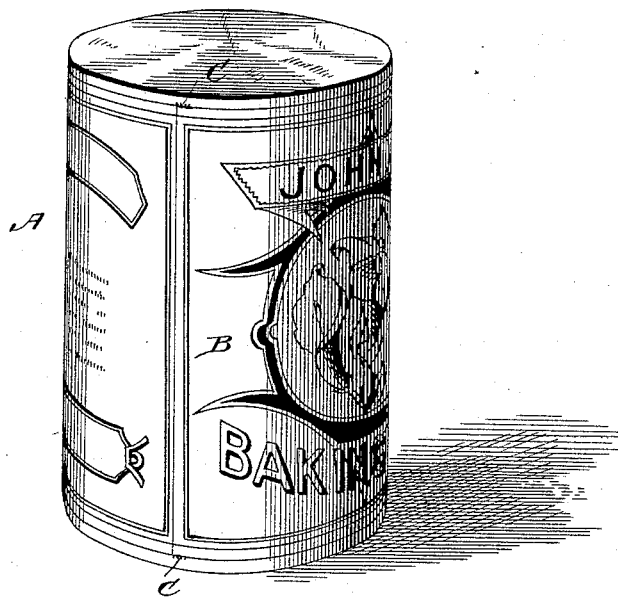


Fig. 2.

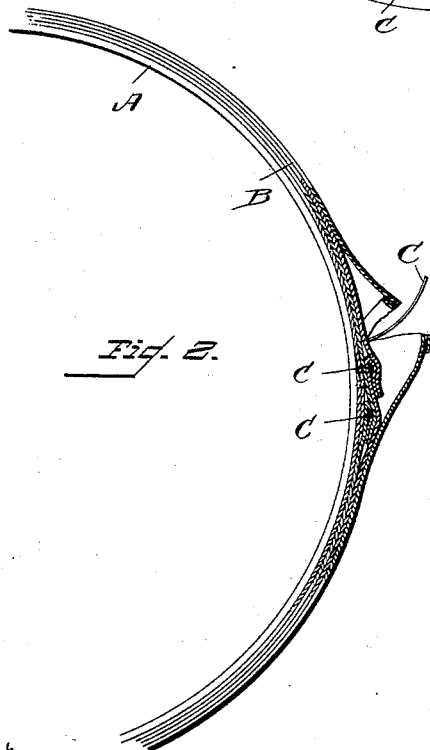
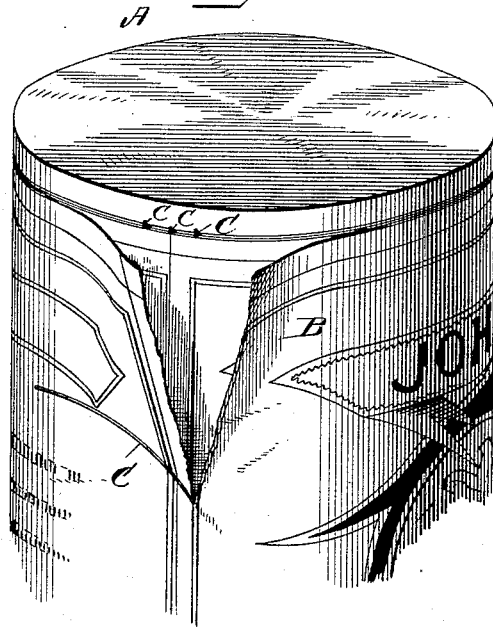


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BERNATH GLICK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kansas City, in the county of Jackson and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in the Art of Applying Detachable Labels; 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 of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in the art of applying detachable labels, trade-marks, advertising matter, descriptive brands, and the like to boxes, cans, packages, bottles, &c.

Labels, trade-marks, brands, &c., have heretofore been pasted securely to the face of the bottle, box, or can, a single label being used in each instance, and no provision has been made for removing or changing the label. This practice has been found to be objectionable, as it not unfrequently occurs that the labels become soiled or injured in handling or transporting the cans or other packages to which they are attached. It is a recognized fact among merchants and business men who deal in canned and bottled goods that the appearance of the label has much to do with the marketing of the goods, and it frequently occurs that a merchant will find that he is carrying in stock a large quantity of canned goods for which there is no demand, for the reason that the labels upon the cans have become soiled or shelf-worn and fly-specked. In most instances of this kind the goods themselves have not deteriorated in value, but, upon the contrary, may have improved with age.

The object of the present invention is to obviate the objections above noted and to provide a means by which a series consisting of any desired or suitable number of independent labels may be so attached to the can, box, bottle, or package that when for any reason it may be found to be desirable the outer label may be removed without in any manner disfiguring or otherwise injuring the

next label in the series, thus rendering it possible to revive the attractive appearance without incurring either trouble or expense.

To the above ends and to such others as the invention may pertain the same consists in the peculiar combination, arrangement, and adaptation of parts, all as more fully hereinafter described, shown in the accompanying drawings, and then specifically defined in the appended claim.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this specification, like letters of reference indicating like parts throughout the several views, and in which drawings—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a can provided with a series of detachable labels in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged sectional detail view in which the outer label in the series is shown as partly removed. Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail perspective.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates the can-body. Secured to the surface of the can in the ordinary manner (usually by pasting) is a label. A second label, which may be in every respect a duplicate of the fixed label described in respect to its general appearance, is then drawn closely around the can. This last-described label B is not, however, provided with paste or other adhesive material, excepting that it is pasted together along its outer edges, with a small wire corresponding in length with the width of the label placed between the two adjacent edges of the label at the point at which said edges are united, as shown at C.

The wire C serves as a means for quickly and easily removing the detachable label, as will be readily understood.

It will be seen that in the manner described any number of labels may be detachably secured to the can, one being placed above the other, so that when desired the outer label in the series may be removed without in any manner injuring the remaining labels in the series.

In removing labels that have been attached in the manner above described the slightly-protruding end of the wire C is grasped and

the wire is pulled downwardly, so as to cause the same to cut or tear through the label at the point at which the ends of the same are united, and the label having been thus severed it may be readily removed from the can.

While in the foregoing specification I have described the method of attaching the detachable labels which I believe will be found to be the preferable method, still it is at once evident that the labels may be attached in a great variety of ways—such, for instance, as by pasting each label to the label beneath by a narrow line of paste or other adhesive material extending around the outer edges of the label. I do not, therefore, in this application confine myself to the particular method of attaching the labels, but contemplate, broadly, the use of a series of labels applied one upon another in such a manner as to permit the outer labels to be removed when desired without in any manner injuring the labels beneath.

If for any reason it should be considered desirable, each of the detachable labels may be provided with a line of perforations extending across the label near its end in place of the wires C, as will be readily understood.

I am aware that it has been proposed to form a blotter of a rolled web of blotting-paper with a pasted tearing-strip, each interposed between two layers of a web of blotting-paper, the edge of each strip overlapping the edge of the next succeeding tearing-strip, and I do not seek to cover such construction in this application.

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

The herein-described improvement in the art of applying labels, which consists in first pasting a label to the can or other article, next placing another label over the first-mentioned label, folding one edge upon itself to inclose a tearing-piece, and then overlapping the other edge of said label and securing it to the folded edge, substantially as described, whereby the outer edge is out of contact with the tearing-piece.

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

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