## A. MACKIE. BOTTLE AND STOPPER

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FIG.1.

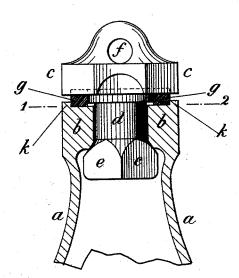


FIG. 3.

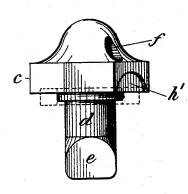


FIG.2.

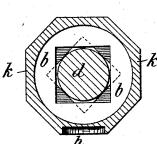


FIG. 4.

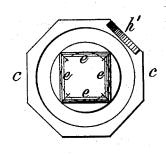


FIG. 7.

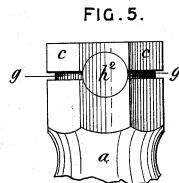
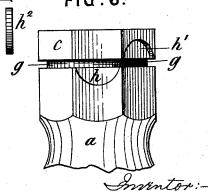


FIG.6.



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## BOTTLE AND STOPPER.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 456,420, dated July 21, 1891.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER MACKIE, builder, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at Winchester Place, Peckham, 5 London, in the county of Surrey, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stoppering Bottles, Jars, and other Vessels, (for which I have obtained a patent in Great Britain, No. 6,184, bearing date April 11, 1889,) of which the following is a specification.

This invention has for its object to provide a novel stopper for bottles and similar vessels; and it consists in the features of con-15 struction and the combination or arrangement of devices hereinafter described and claimed, reference being made to the accom-

panying drawings, in which—
Figure 1 is a sectional elevation showing a
portion of a bottle with my invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a section on the line
1 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is an elevation of the stopper at about forty-five degrees to that shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the
under side of the stopper shown in Fig. 3

25 under side of the stopper shown in Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is an elevation showing the position of the stopper when locked. Fig. 6 shows the same unlocked. Fig. 7 illustrates the locking-disk.

Referring to the drawings, a is the neck of the bottle.

b is the thickened portion of the neck, having a square hole formed therein.

c is the head of the stopper.

d is the circular stem, and e e are the flats of the lower (square) end of the stem.

f is a hole in the head of the stopper for the insertion of a pencil or pen-holder, or other piece of wood or metal which may be 40 at hand, as a lever for turning the stopper. g is a washer, formed of cork, rubber, or other elastic or flexible material. This washer may be made annular or it may be circular outside and have a square hole formed therein.

h is a segmental recess at the upper part of the neck, and h' is a corresponding recess in the head of the stopper. h², Fig. 7, is a thin disk of metal, wood, or other hard substance of slightly smaller diameter than the circle h h'. 50 k is a raised ledge or lip for confining and

locating the washer g.

In closing the bottle the washer g is first placed in position. The stopper is then inserted and forcibly turned until the angles 55 project below the flats of the bottle-neck, and the segmental recesses h h' are in the positions to receive the disk  $h^2$ , as shown in Fig. 5. The disk is then inserted and sealed with wax. This locking-disk may be utilized for 60 a name or trade-mark.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

The combination, with a bottle or similar vessel having its neck provided with an ex- of ternal recess h and an angular interior surface, of a stopper having the external recess h' and provided with the circular stem d, having the flattened portions e, and the disk  $h^2$ , engaging the recesses h h' of the neck and 70 stopper, substantially as described.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1891.

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