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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Thomas Edwin Ogram, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Covers or Caps for Jars, &c.; 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 apportains 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.

My invention relates to an improvement in covers or caps, more especially for jars or pots such as used by druggists to hold ponades or other unctuous substances, and it has for its object to isolate or remove the label thereon from contact with the contents of the jar or pot, both within the latter and in handling the same, and yet permit the label to be readily visible so as to be easily read, and to these ends the invention consists in incasing the label in or upon the cover or cap and under a transparent or diaphanous material, all substantially as hereinafter more fully disclosed and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1 is a broken perspective view, partly in section, 30 of my invention or incasement as applied for use to a jar or tub of the character above referred to. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same showing the several parts, viz., the cap, the transparent or glass disk, the label and a split ring, one means of securing the label and glass disk in place in the cap, disassociated, but in their relative positions, and Fig. 3 is a modification of my invention or incasement for the label and transparent material, in this instance superposed upon the cap or cover

In the embodiment of my invention, I construct the cover or cap, Λ, preferably in an approximate ring-shape, differing from a ring, solely as such, in having the upper edge projecting or extending horizontally inward in the form of a circular flange, α, a central opening, α', thus being provided almost the entire diameter of the cap or cover to obtain a view commensurate with the space occupied by the printed matter of the label. The flange, α, prevents the upward displacement of the transparent material as it, with the label, as

presently seen, is being secured in place. The cap or ring, A, which may be of metal or hard rubber, or other hard material, has the 55 usual screw thread or other connection with the jar or pot, B, of that class more especially used by druggists for pomades and the like substances.

C is the label, indicative, as its name im- 60 plies, of the character of the contents of the jar, in this instance, incased with a transparent or diaphanous plate or disk, D, of glass or of celluioid or mica, or like material, in the cap or cover, A, being inserted therein with 65 the disk from the under side previous to placing the cap or cover upon the jar, the disk being first introduced; therefore, being uppermost, to protect the label from contact with the hands, and yet permitting the label to be 70 readily visible and so as to be easily read.

E is a split ring, either of spring metal or hard rubber, adapted to be sprung into the cover or cap, A, and, by its impingement against the under side of the label and the sides of the cap or cover to properly secure

the label in place.

In the modification as disclosed in Fig. 3, the incasement for the label and transparent material is formed by throwing up a continuous vertical flange, b, upon the upper surface or top of the cover or cap, A', thus producing a recess or seat thereabove to receive the label and transparent or diaphanous material. The edge of the flange, b, is formed sor provided with lugs, G, which may be turned down upon the disk after the latter and the label are placed in position so as to secure them. The same end may also be effected by indenting or punching the metal of the flange pobelow its upper edge and above the disk at proper intervals.

The cap, when the bent or indented fastenings for the disk and label are employed, is necessarily constructed of metal, but, as in the preferred form of the invention, as disclosed in the other figures of the drawings, the cap may be constructed of rubber or other substance in case corrosive materials are to be confined, in which event, also, a splitring 100 of hard rubber can be employed to secure the disk and label.

While having shown my invention as applicable to druggists' jars or pots, it is equally

applicable and useful for preserving or other jars.

Among other advantages of my invention it may be mentioned that, as before stated, 5 the label is protected from defacement and may be readily removed and replaced by a new or different label.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

1. A cover or cap for a jar or like vessel having an open top, a transparent or diaphanous material, a label arranged below said transparent or diaphanous material, and a bottom or plate arranged in said cover or cap, below said label, said cover or cap containing said diaphanous or transparent material, plate or bottom, and label, substantially as specified.

2. A cover or cap for a jar or like vessel having an open ton, a transparent or diaphanous 20 material, a label arranged below said transparent or diaphanous material, a bottom or plate below said label, and a vertical flange above said plate or bottom, having lugs upon its upper edge adapted to be bent inwardly 25 upon said transparent or diaphanous material, said cover or cap containing said diaphanous or transparent material, plate or bottom, and label, and forming said vertical flange with its lugs, substantially as specified.
In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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