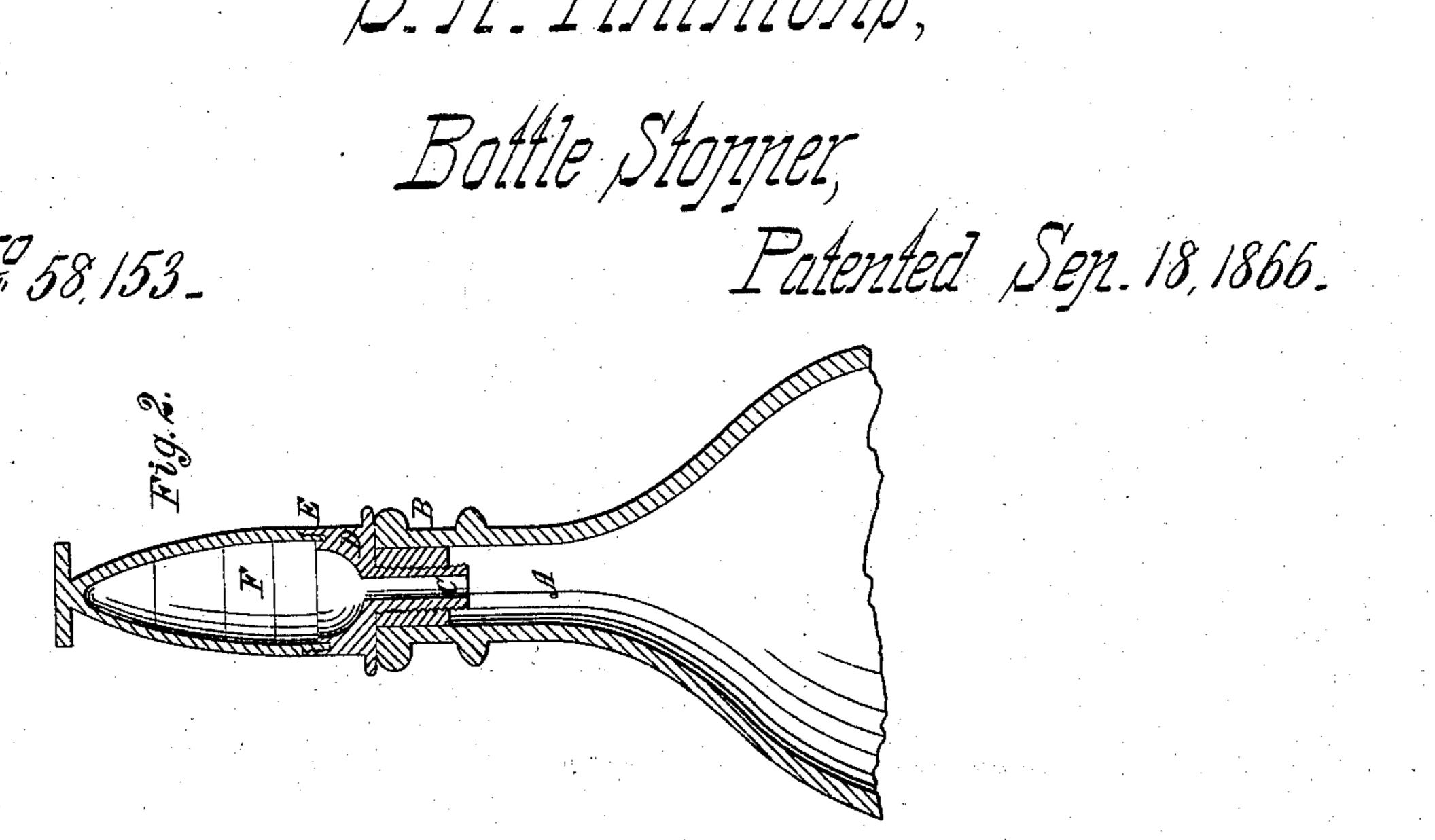
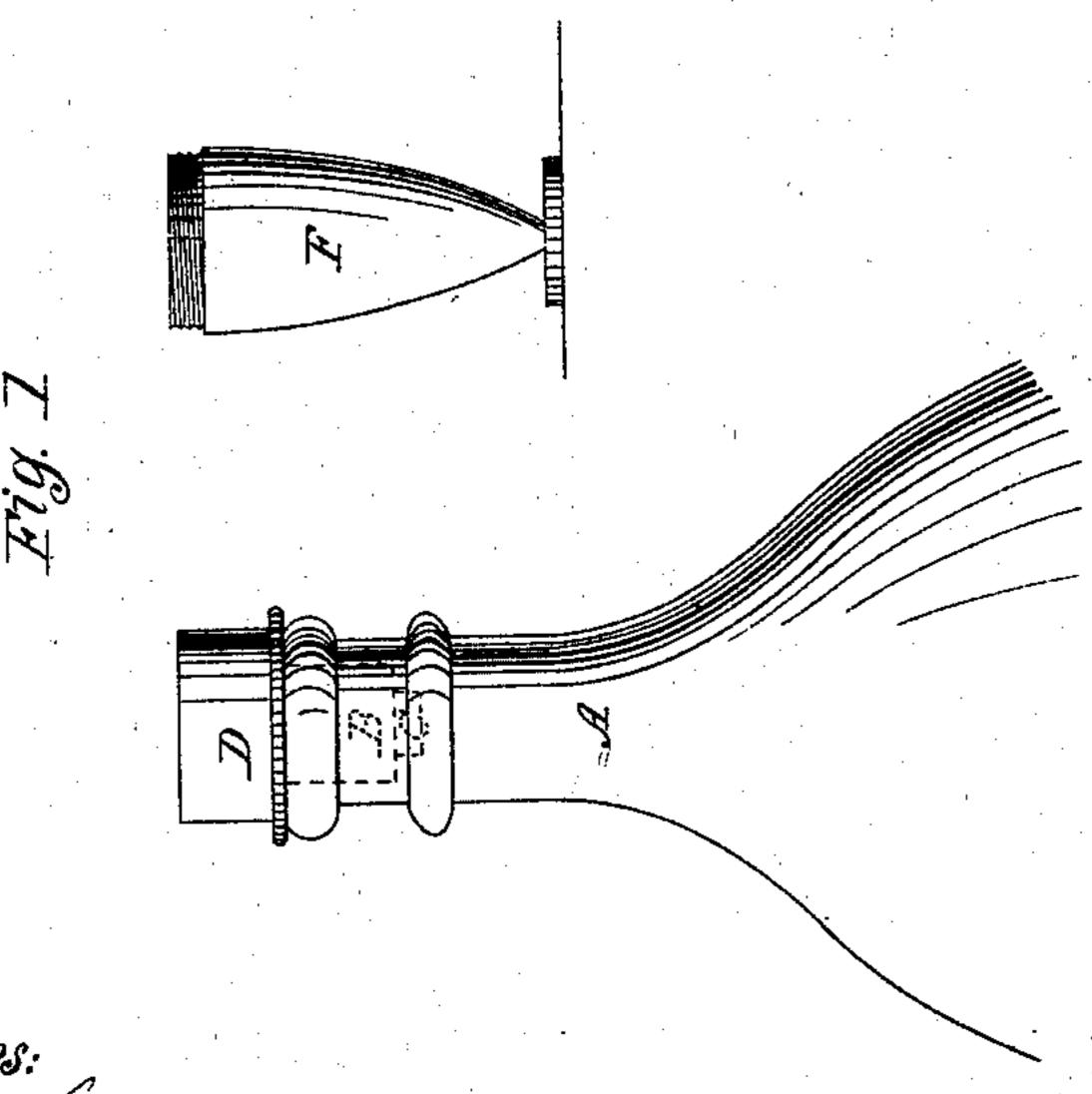
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IMPROVEMENT IN BOTTLE-STOPPERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 58, 153, dated September 18, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Samuel H. Timmons, of La Fayette, in the county of Tippecanoe and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Bottle-Stopper and Medicine-Gage; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same sufficient to enable one skilled in the art to which the invention appertains to make use of it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation. Fig. 2 is a longi-

tudinal vertical section.

This consists of a base-piece adapted to be fastened to the cork or neck of a bottle, and to receive a cup, which may be graduated and

marked to indicate its capacity.

In the drawings, A is the neck of a bottle, and B is the cork. A hole in the latter permits the passage of the hollow screw-shank C of the base-piece D, whose flange E permits the attachment of the rim of the cup F, which may have graduation-marks according to its capacity.

It is designed to be used in traveling where a stimulant or corrective is required; also, in some cases, in pharmacy where it is not desired to contaminate a graduated glass with a fetid drug, but especially to administer stated quantities of the medicine contained in the bottle. For this purpose it will be constantly convenient, and may be made of any size and capacity, to suit circumstances, holding drams or ounces or fractions of the same, the graduation being in the interior if the cup be of metal, or blown or cut on its exterior if the cup be of glass, the material and quality, as well as the shape, varying with the purpose and convenience.

In the form shown in the drawings the cup is of a goblet shape, with a shank and flanged foot; but this is not a necessary form of the same.

This mode of measuring a portion of medicine is much more accurate and convenient than by the use of a spoon, which is of uncertain capacity, and cannot be conveniently rested upon anything, but must be retained in the hand.

The cup may be slipped upon or screwed to its base-piece, and the shank of the latter may be slipped into or screwed into the cork; or a flange on its lower end may be slipped over the cork, the central aperture in the base-piece being maintained, whereby the liquid in the bottle is transferred to the cup.

The device may be applied to a bottle of any size without any change in the construction or size of the receptacle, shank, or other part.

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

1. A cup graduated or otherwise fitting a base-piece to be attached to the cork or neck of a bottle of any size.

2. The base-piece provided with an entering-shank for insertion into a cork and with a flange for the reception of the cup, substanially as described.

3. A graduated cup attached to the stopper or neck of a bottle, for the purpose described.

To the above specification of my improved bottle-stopper and medicine-cup I have signed my hand this 5th of September, 1866.

SAMUEL H. TIMMONS.

Witnesses:

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