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Jelly Glasses or Tumblers.

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Fig. 1.

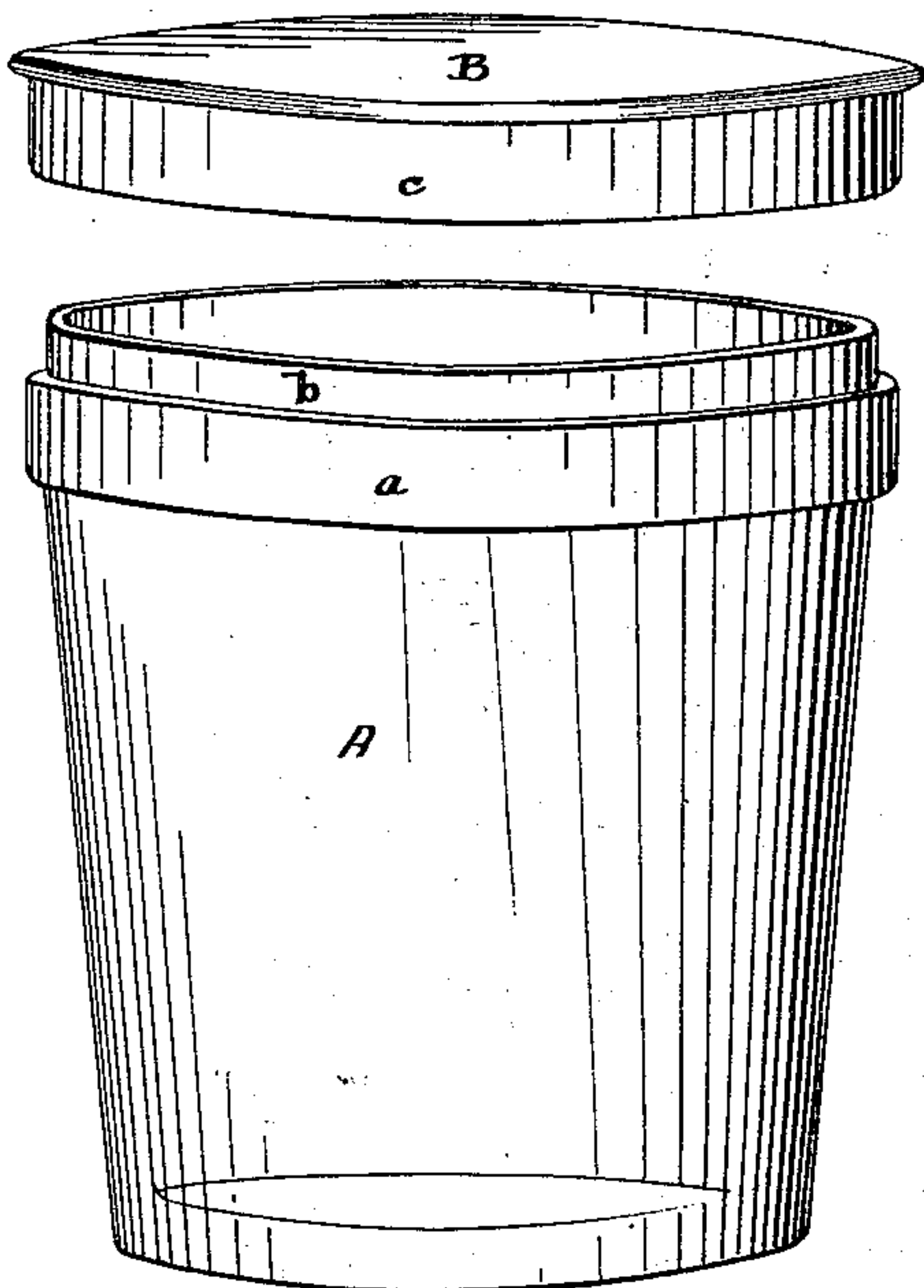


Fig. 2.

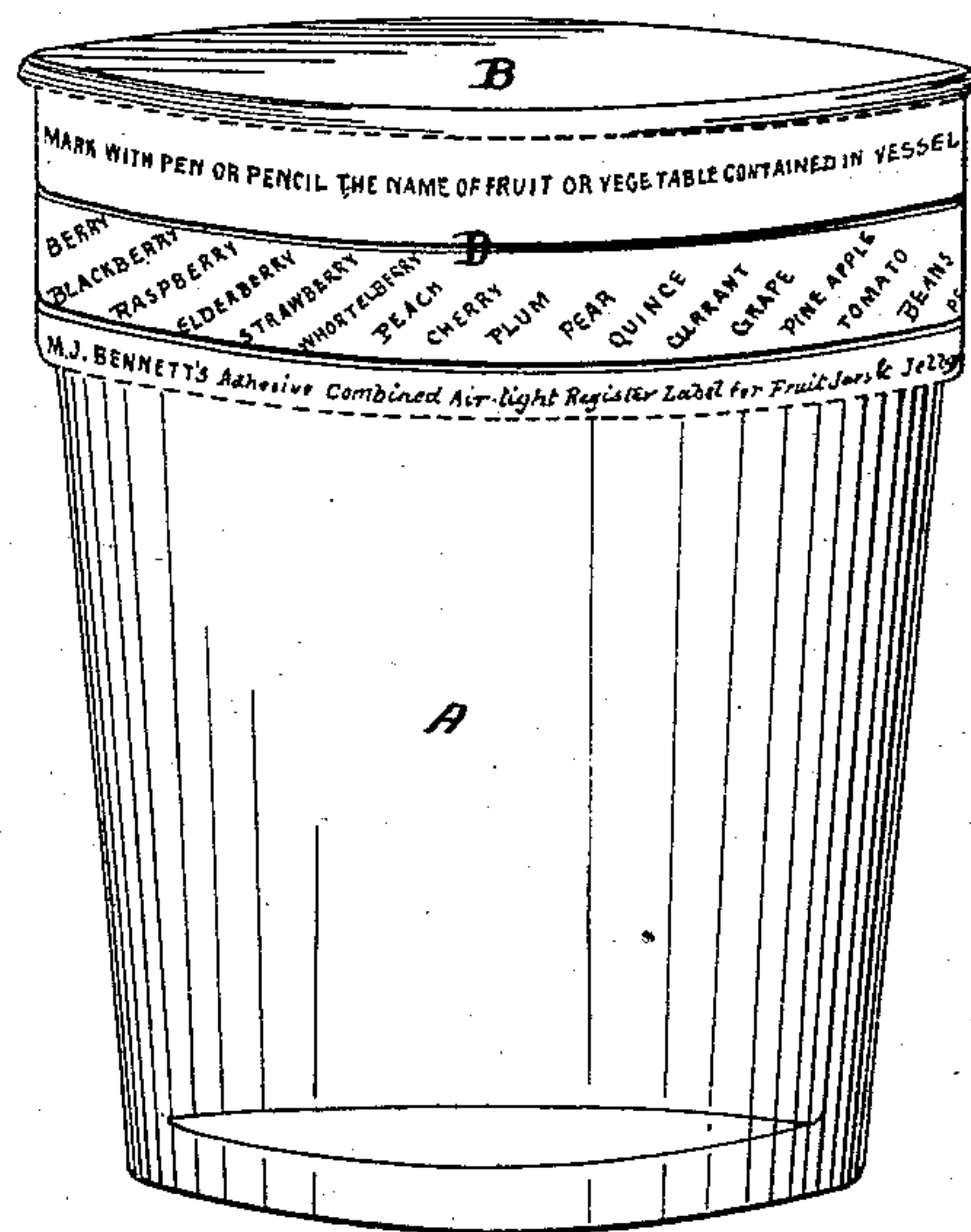
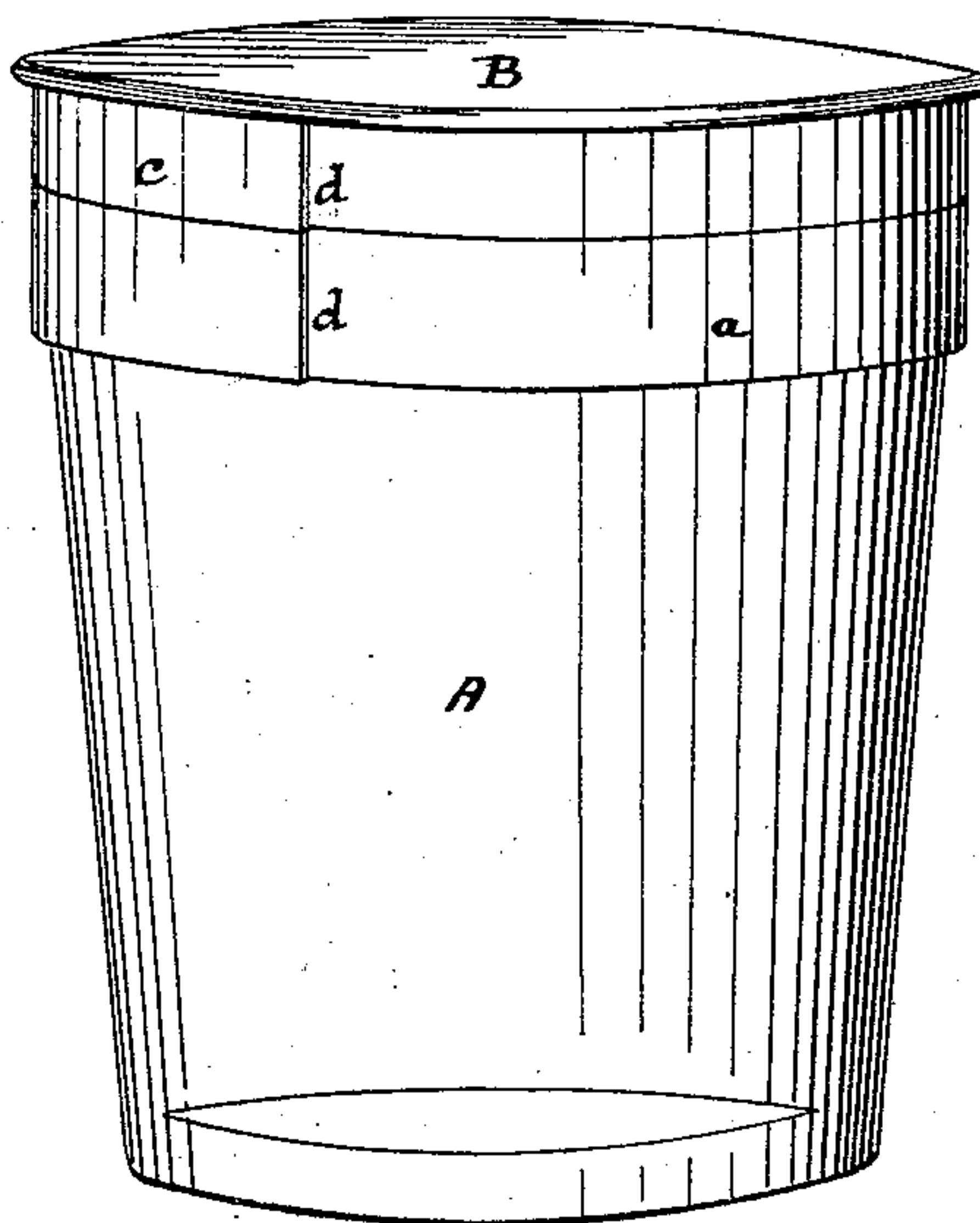


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## IMPROVEMENT IN JELLY GLASSES OR TUMBLERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MARK J. BENNETT, of Braddock's, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Jelly Glasses or Tumblers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a tumbler or glass and cover for the same, made in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a like view of the tumbler closed and sealed. Fig. 3 is a like view of a modification of the vessel.

This invention relates to that class of jelly glasses and tumblers provided with a slip top or cover. The object is to construct the glass or tumbler to receive around it at or near the top a sealing-strip applied on the outside of the tumbler, and covering the joint between the glass and its cover; and, as a sealing-strip, I use a regular label, bearing on one side the names of all fruits or vegetables usually put up in such glasses, and coated on the reverse side with mucilage, shellac, sealing-wax, or other adhesive material, which, when moistened, will adhere to the glass.

By marking with a pen or pencil that one of the names borne by the labels indicated of the proper fruit or vegetable, the contents of the glass will be permanently registered.

To afford a seat for the label or sealing-strip, without unduly increasing the thickness of the tumblers A or the amount of material required to make the same, I form around its upper end a plane-surfaced ring or projecting band, *a*, which is a little below the top of the tumbler, so as to leave a sufficient portion, *b*, of the latter for the cover to fit onto. The cover B fits around *b*, and the sides *c* of the cover are of such thickness and so formed that, when the cover is in place, they will be flush with and form a continuation of the exterior of the band *a*. Thus a practically-smooth and unbroken surface is provided of dimensions sufficient to receive the sealing strip or label.

The label which I prefer to use is shown in Fig. 2 at D. It is made as hereinbefore specified, and requires no further description. When applied as shown in Fig. 2, it serves a

threefold purpose, for it holds the cover to the glass, it seals the joint between the two, and it becomes an indicator or register of the fruit contained in the vessel, this indication being obtained by selecting and crossing off from the list of names carried by the label that name which corresponds to the article in the vessel.

In order to prevent the formation of a ridge or uneven surface by the overlapping of the ends of the strip or label, by reason of which there is apt to be left an opening, up through which air can pass and penetrate through the joint into the vessel. I form in that portion of the glass and the cover to which the sealing-strip or label is applied a recess, *d*, the recess in the cover corresponding to the recess in the body of the tumbler, as seen in Fig. 3. This recess is beveled toward one side, and its greatest depth is equal to the thickness of the material of which the label is made.

In applying the strip or label, the end of the same is placed in this recess, abutting against the vertical side thereof. The label is then passed around the glass until its other end is brought back to overlap the end in the recess. There will thus be no ridge or unevenness at the point of meeting of the two ends. The air will consequently be surely and effectually excluded, and the label or strip becomes self-sealing.

The sealing register-label made as herein described possesses many advantages, and can be used with all vessels for containing preserved fruit or vegetables.

The labels can be printed in sheets, coated on the back with mucilage, and perforated, as in the case of postage-stamp sheets, to permit the ready detaching of the labels as they are required.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The jelly glass or tumbler formed with a plane-surfaced band, *a*, and having a slip top or cover with sides flush with and forming a continuation of the said band, as and for the purpose shown and described.

2. In a slip-top jelly-glass, or other vessel adapted to be sealed from the outside by a



sealing band or strip encircling and closing the joint between the cover and the vessel, the recess *d* in both vessel and cover, for receiving that end of the sealing-strip which is first applied to the vessel, as and for the purposes set forth.

3. A sealing register-label for vessels containing fruits and vegetables, bearing on one side a list of names of vegetables and fruits,

and coated on the reverse side with mucilage or other adhesive material, as and for the purposes shown and described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name this 6th day of July, A. D. 1874.

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