

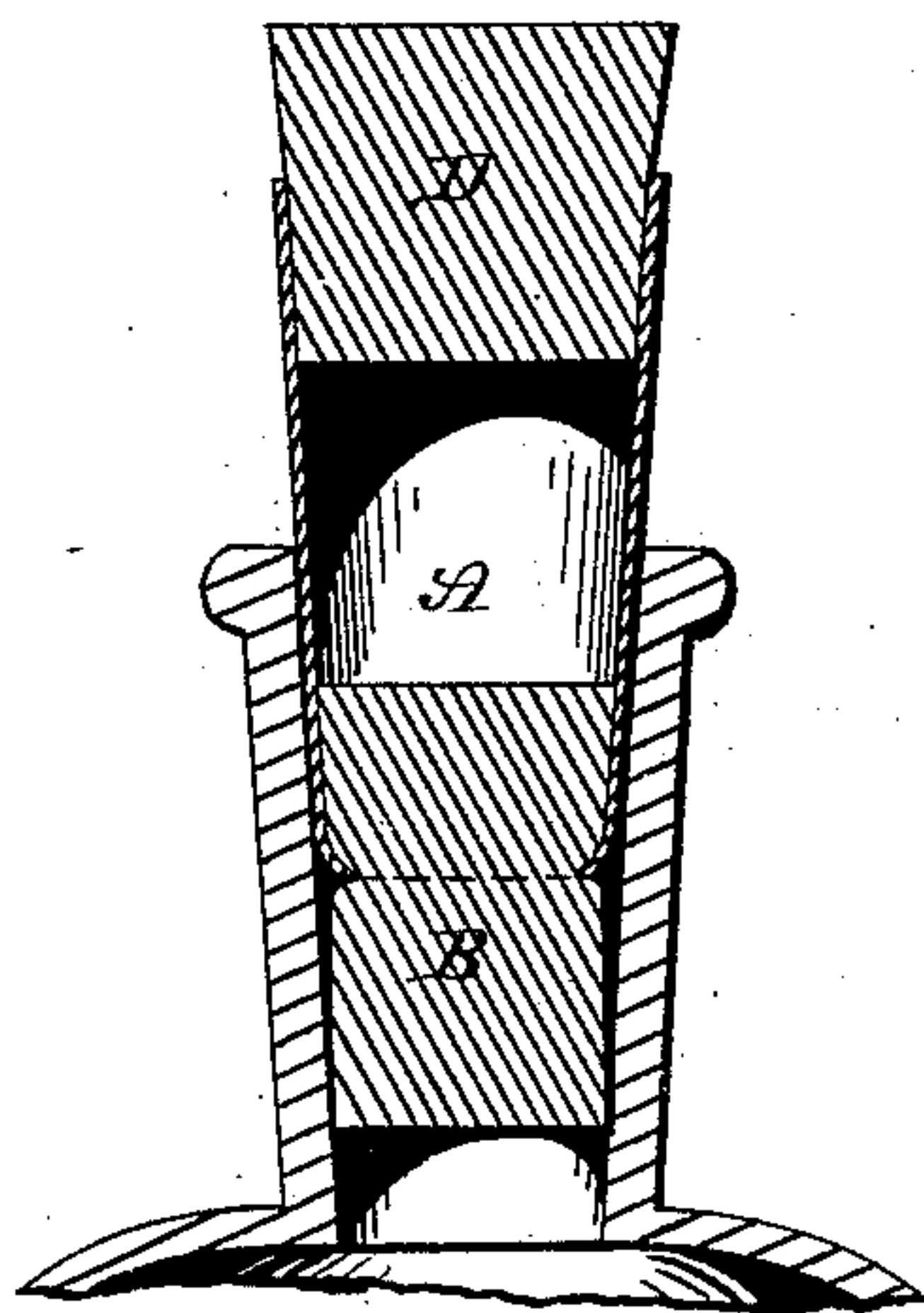
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## BOTTLE-STOPPER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JEFFERSON D. COTTEN, of Gainesville, in the county of Cooke and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bottle-Stoppers; and I do hereby 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in bottle-stoppers; and it consists in the combination of the tubular body, having its lower end closed by means of a cork, and having its upper end formed into a measuring-chamber, which is adapted to be closed by means of a cork, so as to protect the measuring-chamber from dust and dirt, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

The object of my invention is to provide a stopper for bottles which can be used as a measure for the medicine or other material in the bottle, and thus dispense with the use of a spoon or cup.

The accompanying drawing represents a vertical section of a stopper embodying my invention.

A represents a tubular or conical body, which will be made of glass or any other suitable rigid material and of any desired size or length, and which has the cork B securely fastened in its lower end. When the body A is to be sheet metal, this cork is intended to be fastened to the body by crimping the lower end of the metal into its sides; but if the body

is made of glass the cork is to be pushed through from the top until it becomes securely fastened in a crimp at the bottom of the measure, and this cork serves to prevent the liquid in the bottle from coming in contact with the glass or metallic body. The upper end of this glass or metallic body will be made to project far enough above the mouth of the bottle to be readily taken hold of by the hand at all times. This body forms a suitable measuring-vessel, into which the medicine or other contents of the bottle are to be poured, and thus dispense with the use of a spoon. Either upon the inner or outer sides of the body will be marked in any suitable manner different measures, so that one can see at once how much to pour out. In order to prevent the body from becoming filled with dust and dirt, the upper end of the body will be closed by means of a cork, D, when not in use.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

The combination of the tubular body A, having its lower end closed by means of the cork B, and having its upper end formed into a measuring-chamber, which is adapted to be closed by means of a cork, D, so as to protect the measuring-chamber from dust and dirt, substantially as shown and described.

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

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