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Fig. 1.

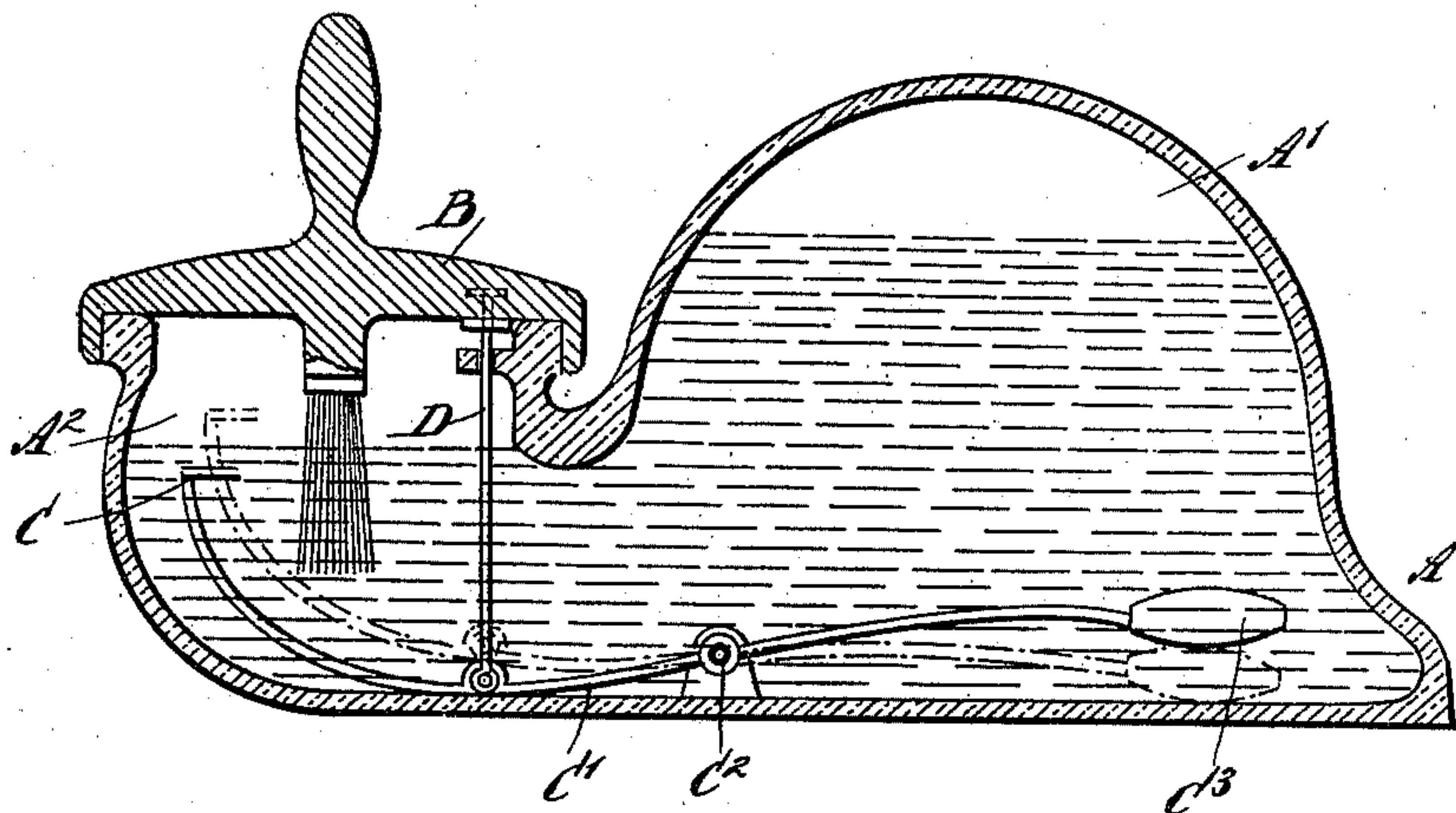
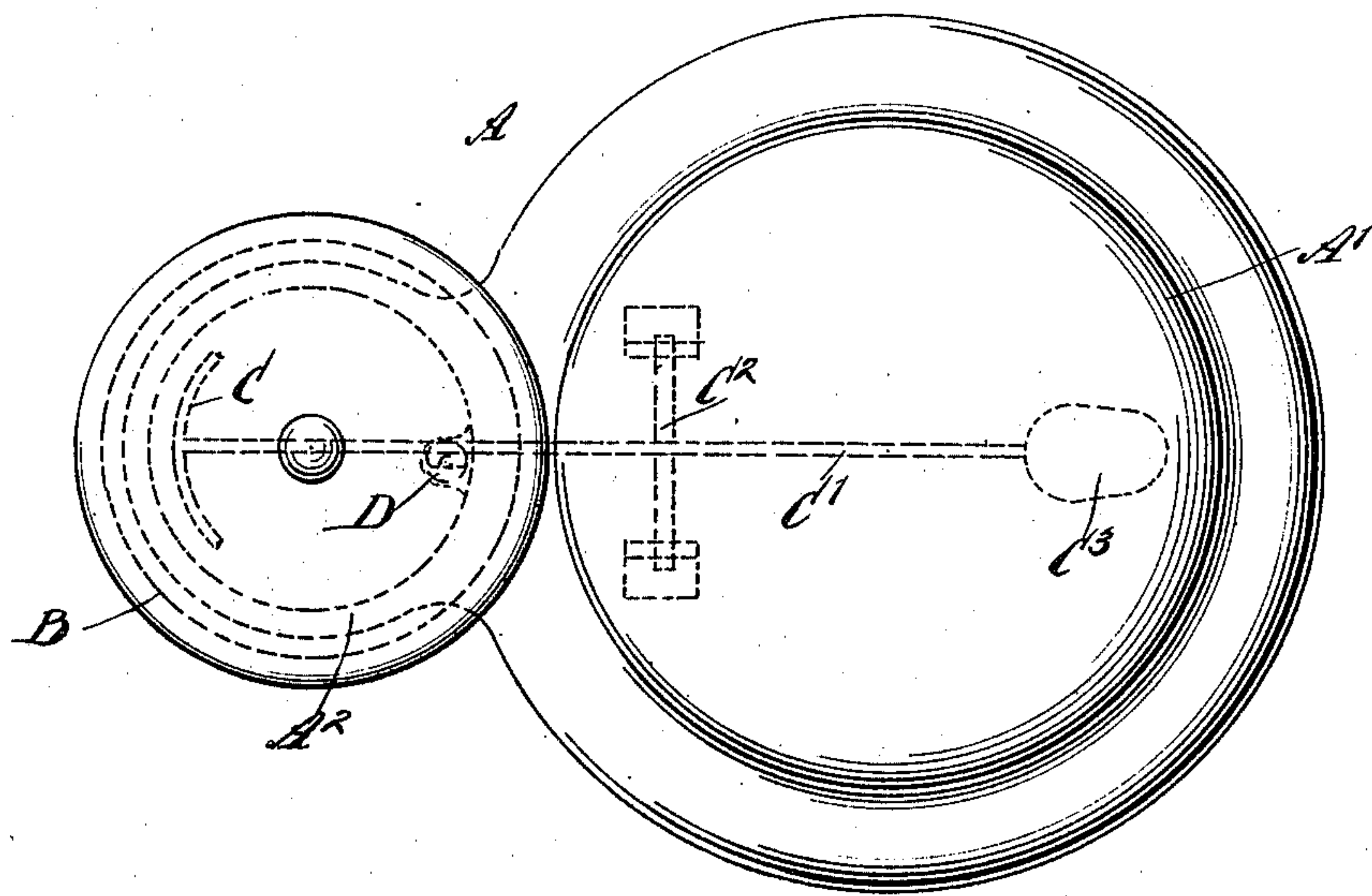


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK F. PECK, of Susanville, in the county of Lassen and State of California, have invented a new and Improved Mucilage-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved mucilage-holder which is simple and durable in construction and arranged to permit of readily scraping off surplus mucilage from a brush and automatically returning this mucilage to the holder or well without clogging the mouth of the holder by having the surplus or scraped-off mucilage dry thereon, as is so frequently the case with mucilage-holders heretofore constructed.

The invention consists principally of an overbalanced scraper fulcrumed in the holder and adapted to be pressed below the level of the mucilage by the brush.

The invention also consists of certain parts and details and combinations of the same, as will be fully described hereinafter and then pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the views.

Figure 1 is a sectional side elevation of the improvement, and Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same.

The improved mucilage-holder is provided with the usual vessel A, formed with a holder A' and a mouth A², adapted to be closed by the back of a brush B, the bristles of which extend into the mucilage when the brush is seated on the mouth of the vessel, as indicated in the drawings. In the mouth A² is arranged a scraper C, preferably segmental in shape and extending horizontally, as plainly indicated in the drawings, the said scraper being held on the upper end of a lever C', fulcrumed at C² in the vessel A, with the rear end of the said lever carrying a weight C³ for swinging the front end of the lever and the scraper C upward above the level of the mucilage in the mouth A². Normally, however, the scraper C is held below the level of the liquid in the mouth by the weight of the brush B on a rod D, pivotally connected with the forward end of the lever C'. This rod D has, preferably,

a bearing in the vessel A, as indicated in Fig. 1, and is engaged by the under side of the back of the brush, as is plainly shown.

It is evident that when the brush B is lifted off its seat on the mouth A² then the overbalancing-weight C³ on the lever C' causes a swinging thereof to move the scraper C upward above the level of the mucilage in the mouth A². The operator can now readily scrape off the surplus mucilage from the bristles of the brush B on the said scraper C without danger of getting any of the said surplus mucilage in contact with the walls of the mouth A². When the brush B is returned to its seat on the mouth A², then the weight of the brush presses the rod D downward, so as to cause a downward swinging of the forward end of the lever C' to move the scraper C back below the level of the liquid, so that the surplus scraped-off mucilage is returned to the mucilage in the vessel A.

It will be seen that by the arrangement described no mucilage is lost by becoming hard in drying on the surfaces exposed to the air and the mucilage in the vessel A retains its consistency a considerable length of time, as it is not liable to become unclean from dust and other impurities. Furthermore, the mouth A² of the vessel will always be open to its full extent to permit convenient insertion and removal of the brush whenever desired.

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

1. A mucilage-holder, provided with an overbalanced scraper adapted to be pressed below the level of the mucilage by the brush, and adapted to rise above the level of the mucilage upon removing the brush, substantially as shown and described.

2. A mucilage-holder, comprising a vessel adapted to contain mucilage, and having a mouth, a brush adapted to be seated on the mouth of the vessel, and an overbalanced lever carrying a scraper in the mouth of the said vessel, the said scraper being adapted to be pressed below the level of the liquid in the said mouth upon seating the brush, and the scraper being adapted to pass above the level of the liquid upon removal of the brush, suitable connection being had between the

brush and the lever, substantially as shown and described.

3. A mucilage-holder, comprising a vessel having a mouth, a lever fulcrumed in the said
5 vessel, and provided at one end with a weight, and at its other end with a scraper extending in the mouth of the vessel, and a rod connected with the forward end of the said le-

ver, and adapted to be engaged by the brush adapted to be seated on the mouth of the ves- 10
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