New Lacquer for Foods and Drugs

Announcement of the perfection of a new transparent lacquer, of especial significance to the foods and drugs industries, is made by Truslow and Fulle, Brooklyn, N. Y. The new product, an achievement of the chemical research laboratories of this pioneer cork manufacturer, was devised originally to serve as a spot for crowns to supplant the paper or metal spot for years an indispensable adjunct to the cork disk in crown closure. Subsequent research reveals, however, that this lacquer has an infinite variety of applicability not merely in closure service but in the coating and dressing of a wide range of materials and substances.

The Fulle lacquer is entirely impervious to many emissible solvents, even in their highest forms of concentration, alcohol, ether, chloroform, acetone, water, leaving upon its surface no effects whatever of dissolution. Alkalinity, which in alkaline beverage waters seldom exceeds two-tenths of one per cent, finds the new lacquer invariably resistant. Caustic tests disclose the lacquer's resistance to exceed one-half of one per cent. TUNG OIL EXPORTS FROM HONG KONG FIRST FIVE MONTHS 1932—Exports of tung oil from Hong Kong in May totalted 472,000 pounds, or less than half the quantity shipped during April. Japan was the largest consignee of the month taking one-fourth of the total followed by United States and Germany. For the first five months of 1932, total exports of oil were 6,652,000 pounds as against 2,402,554 pounds for the same months of 1931. (Assistant Trade Commissioner David M. Maynard, Hong Kong.)