

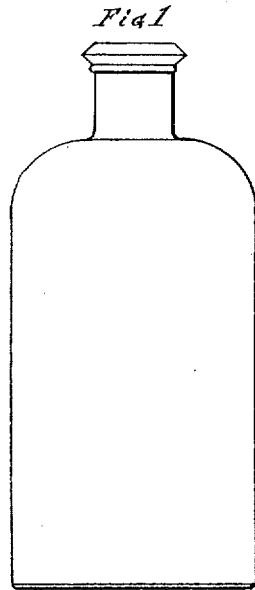
DESIGN.

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CITRATE OF MAGNESIA BOTTLES.

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DESIGN FOR CITRATE-OF-MAGNESIA BOTTLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN W. FETTERS, of the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have originated and Designed a Citrate-of-Magnesia Bottle, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the accompanying drawing represents the ordinary shape bottle now in use for putting up citrate of magnesia. Fig. 2 represents the form and general external appearance of my citrate-of-magnesia bottle.

The bottle, shown in Fig. 1, is used for putting up citrate of magnesia, and is well known and universally used for that purpose. Its well-known shape has rendered it familiar as a citrate-of-magnesia bottle among druggists and users of the article. The package has generally been done up in a very simple manner, only the smallest amount of care and attention being given to render it always neat in appearance, whereas, in my design, I have produced a bottle of a more pleasing and graceful form, and have added other features to still further improve its appearance and usefulness, so that I am enabled to put up citrate of magnesia in a more attractive and desirable form.

The body of the ordinary citrate-of-magnesia bottle, shown in Fig. 1, is made cylindrical throughout its entire length, the straight sides terminating with round shoulders and a short straight neck. In my design, Fig. 2, the body of the bottle is made cylindrical from *a* *c*, and from *a* upward the sides gradually curve inward, and terminate in a slender neck, which is provided with an annular projection, *d*, a short distance below its mouth. This bottle is of less diameter and much taller than the ordinary citrate-of-magnesia bottle, and although holding the same quantity, its proportions are such to give it a neater and more

attractive appearance. In order to still further improve the appearance of the bottle, particular care is bestowed, in sealing the mouth, to cover the cork and twine closely with tin-foil, which extends down and envelops the neck of the bottle. This manner of completely covering the cork and neck of the bottle is entirely different from the ordinary way of putting up citrate of magnesia, in which a simple cap of tin-foil is merely pressed down over the cork.

In putting up citrate of magnesia as I have shown, all appearance of a medicine-bottle, which is rather distasteful to many, is avoided. The form and general external neat appearance of the bottle renders it attractive and pleasing to the eye, producing an agreeable effect when compared with the ordinary citrate-of-magnesia bottle.

The beauty of the bottle is enhanced by making it of green-colored glass; but I do not consider the color selected to be an essential element of my design.

On one side and at the lower part of the bottle a medallion is formed, in which the name of the druggist or seller is blown, and on the opposite side, on the curved portion of the bottle, a label is pasted, containing directions for use. These are new features in putting up citrate of magnesia, and tend to improve the appearance of the bottle and render it more desirable.

What I claim as my invention is—

A design for a citrate-of-magnesia bottle, made of a cylindrical form from the points *a* to *c*, and of a curved tapering form *a* to *e*, of reduced diameter and increased height, with a medallion formed on one side, substantially in the manner shown and described.

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