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Combined Coal-Box and Fire Iron Holders.

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Fig. 1.

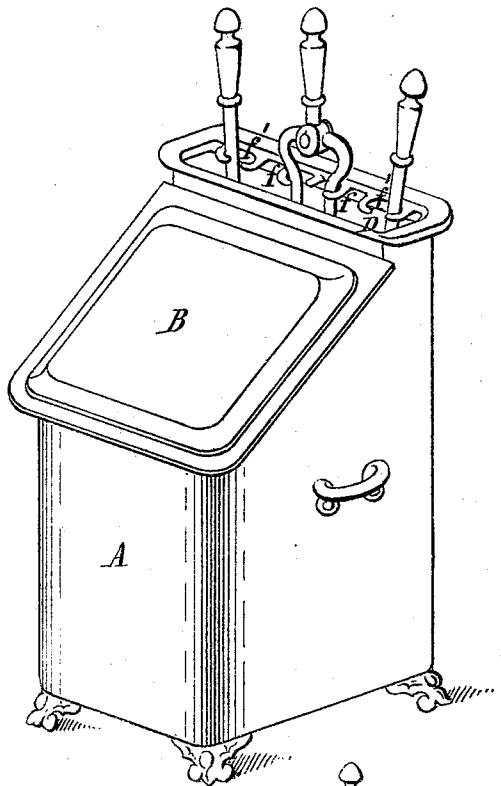
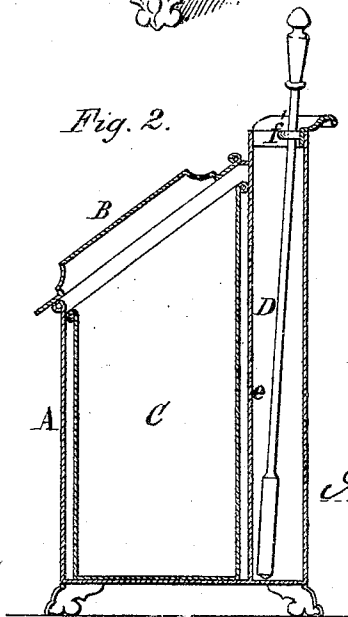


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED COAL-BOXES AND FIRE-IRON HOLDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTUS F. TRIPP, of the city of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented a Combined Coal-Box and Receptacle for Fire-Irons, of which the following is a specification:

The invention consists, first, of a coal-box provided with a compartment at one side thereof (preferably at the back) of sufficient size to receive and hold a shovel, tongs, and poker, whereby the use of a separate stand for the purpose is dispensed with, and the soiled lower portions of the fire-irons concealed from view, and the dirt and cinders which adhere thereto prevented from soiling the floor or carpet; second, in the combination, with such coal-box and receptacle for fire-irons, of a series of hooks or guards, attached to the upper edge of said compartment so as to receive and hold the fire-irons in a proper upright position.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure I is a perspective view of my improved coal-box. Fig. II is a vertical section thereof.

Like letters of reference designate like parts in both of the figures.

A represents the coal-compartment; B, the cover thereof; C, the removable vessel containing the coal, which fits in said compartment in the ordinary manner. D is the receptacle for the fire-irons at the back of the compart-

ment, and separated from it by a vertical partition, *e. f f* are two hooks or curved arms, attached to the upper edge of the back side of the receptacle D, on each side of the center thereof, at a sufficient distance apart to receive the legs of the tongs between them; and *f' f'* are two hooks, on either side of the hooks *f f*, for receiving the handles of the shovel and poker, as shown in the drawing.

I prefer to make the receptacle D of the same height as the rest of the box, so that when the fire-irons are placed therein only the upper and usually ornamented portions of the handles will project above the box in a convenient position, while the lower portions of the irons are concealed in the receptacle D, which also retains any cinders that may have adhered thereto after using the irons.

I claim as my invention—

1. The combined coal-box A and receptacle D, substantially as shown and described, as a new article of manufacture.

2. The arrangement of the hooks or curved arms *f f'* with the receptacle D of the coal-box and holder for fire-irons, as hereinbefore set forth.

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