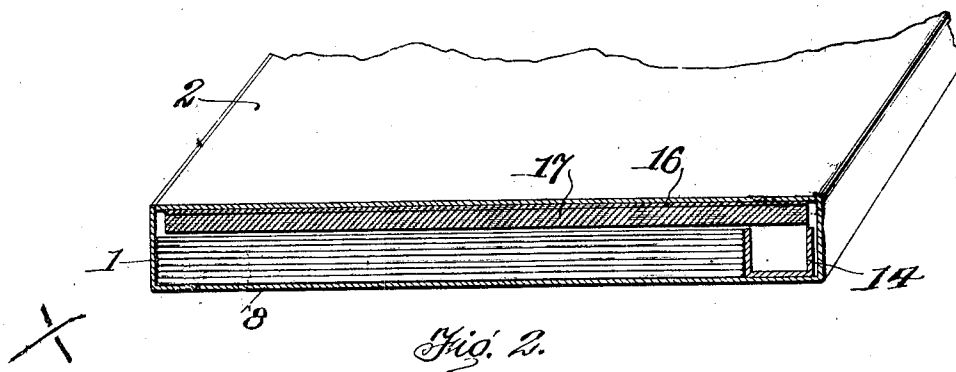
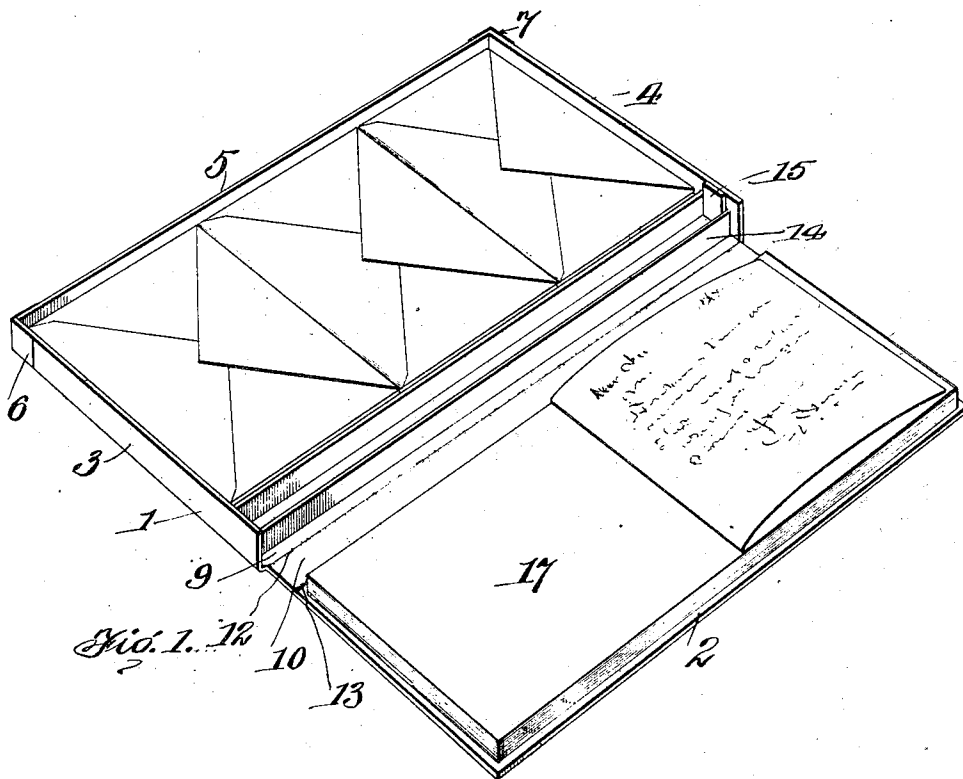


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER EHMLING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stationery-Boxes, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 My invention relates to improvements in stationery boxes, and pertains particularly to boxes for holding stationery.

The object of my invention is to provide a box of this character in which both the envelopes and writing paper are so supported that either can be removed from the box without disturbing the other, while in the ordinary box used for stationery the envelopes have to be removed to secure a sheet of paper, and it is also necessary to remove several sheets of paper when but a single sheet is desired.

25 Another object of my invention is to provide a box of this character in which the cover is used when open as a writing table or pad, in which there are no obstructions whatever to interfere with writing, whether there is one sheet of paper on the pad or a hundred, as the cover is not provided with several turned up corners common to all stationery boxes.

35 A still further object of my invention is to provide a box of this character in which a pencil, pen and stamp receptacle is formed therein, and at the same time providing a box which is more simple in structure, effective in operation and costs less to manufacture than those ordinarily used for stationery and the like.

40 In the accompanying drawings—Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved box, showing the cover open and used as a writing pad. Fig. 2 is a perspective sectional view of the box, showing the relative arrangement of the envelopes and paper when the cover is closed.

Referring now to the drawings, 1 represents the body of my improved box and which is of a width to receive an envelope lengthwise and of a length equal to the width of three envelopes, as clearly shown in the drawings. While I have shown this proportioned sized box, in order to form a cover 2 of a size to support the sheets of paper of a size to fold and form a letter sheet to fit the envelop, as shown in the

drawings, it will be understood that the same can be readily varied.

My improved box is formed from a blank having the ends 3 and 4 bent upward and the front wall 5 bent upwardly and secured to the ends 3 and 4 by means of two pieces of tape 6 and 7, or the ends and front walls may be secured together by means of a fancy or other covering placed on the box for ornamental effect. The bottom 8 of the box is continued outwardly, as indicated at 9, and forming the rear wall 10 and cover 2 of the box. In order to form the cover and rear wall, the continued portion of the bottom is slightly scored or recessed at 12 and 13, which extends all the way across and allows the cover and rear wall to readily fold upwardly to close the box, and also allow it to readily fold out flat to form the writing surface for the paper or pad.

Secured to the bottom of the box, adjacent the rear edge, is a pencil, pen and stamp tray 14, which is formed of the same material as the box, and has the bottom thereof glued or otherwise secured to the bottom of the box and is of a depth less than that of the box. The ends 15, of the tray 14, are secured to the ends 3 and 4 of the box and extend up to the upper edges of the ends 3 and 4, to brace the same. This tray, as will be seen, forms a rear wall for the box to prevent the envelopes from falling out, as well as bracing and holding the rear ends of the box together.

90 The top or cover 2 of the box has secured to it on the inner face thereof a pad composed of a backing 16, carrying the sheets of paper, which are secured together in the usual form of a pad, as indicated at 17. Said pad is of a size slightly less than that of the cover, so that the cover can be readily swung over and the pad enter the box and rest upon the envelopes and also upon the upper edge of the tray 14. By this method of closing the box, the tablet or paper not being exposed on the outside of the box when not in use, is kept clean without the necessity of the usual tablet cover. The sheets of paper forming the pad are so proportioned in size that each sheet as it is to be used is folded over, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings, making a regular sheet of writing paper, which may be written on three sides before it is necessary to remove it from the pad.

Having thus described my invention, what

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

5 A box of the character described, formed of a blank having front and end scores to form front and end walls, the front and end walls turned upwardly and secured together to form an envelop receiving box, the blank having a transverse score located in a line
10 with the rear edges of the end walls to form a hinged joint in a plane with the bottom of the envelop space, the blank having a second transverse score located a distance from the first score equal to the height of the walls of the box and a distance from the opposite
15 end of the blank equal to the length of the said end walls to receive a tablet, a tablet attached thereto and a tray located between

the end walls at their rear ends and extending across the box, the side walls of the tray being of a height less than the height of the aforesaid walls of the envelop box equal to the thickness of said tablet, whereby the combined cover and tablet may be folded over the envelop box and the tray, and the swinging wall formed by said scores, and the cover folded outwardly in a plane with the bottom of the box for the purpose described. 20 25

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses. 30

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