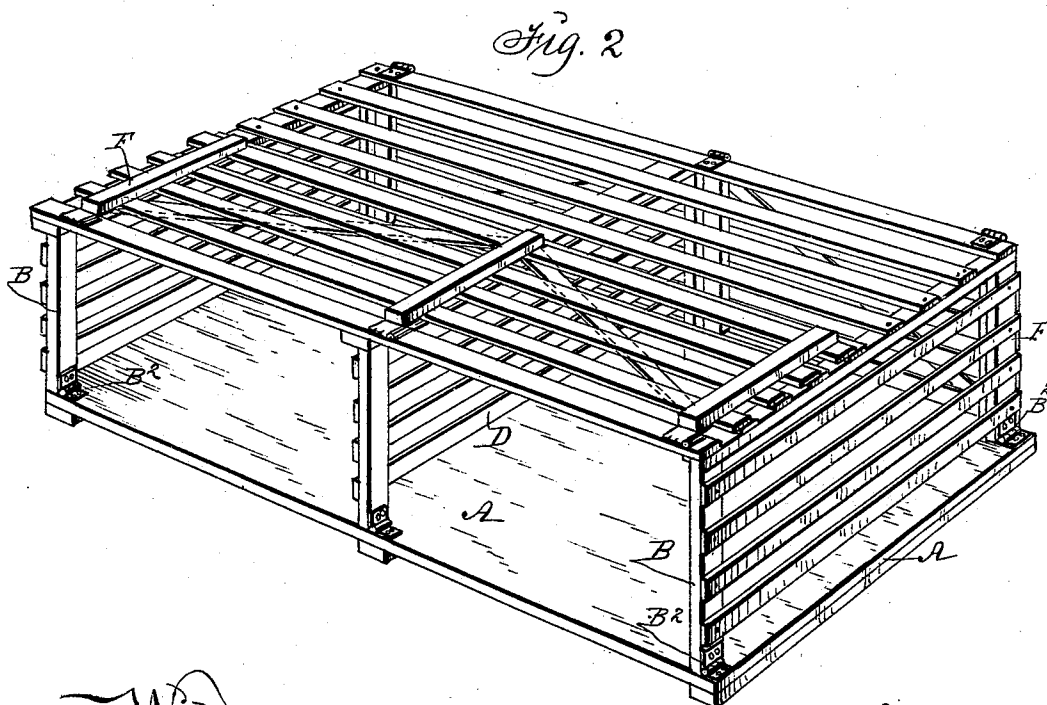
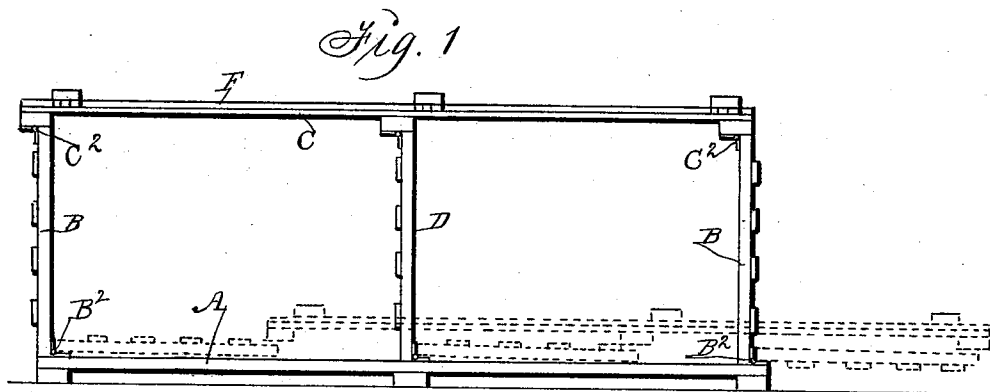


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC T. CARTER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Indianola, in the county of Warren and State of Iowa, have invented a Folding Poultry-Coop, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a simple, strong, and durable coop for shipping poultry, that may be quickly and easily folded without removing or detaching any of the parts of the coop.

My invention consists in the construction, arrangement and combination of the various parts of the device, as hereinafter set forth, pointed out in my claims, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the complete coop, the dotted lines showing the same in a folded position. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the complete coop.

Referring to the accompanying drawings the coop is seen to be composed of a solid bottom board A of the same length and width as the coop.

B, B indicates end pieces of the coop, preferably slotted, and connected with the bottom of the coop by hinges B² all placed on the same side of the end pieces.

C indicates the slatted top of the coop connected with the end pieces by hinges C² on the opposite sides thereof from the hinges B².

D indicates a central partition hinged to the bottom and top pieces in the same manner as the ends. This partition is not an essential part of the coop and if desired more than one can be used.

The sides of the coop are closed and the entire device strengthened and prevented from folding by means of the doors F hinged to the top of the coop and provided with cross pieces on its inner face, said cross pieces being arranged to fit against the end pieces and central partition and rest upon the bottom A.

The doors being capable of being swung upwardly to rest upon the top of the coop. It will be obvious that, when the doors F are closed and the top thereof hinged to the top of the coop and the cross pieces thereof in engagement

with the end pieces and partitions and their lower ends resting upon the bottom of the coop, the coop will be prevented from folding and securely stayed against pressure in all directions. These side pieces may be secured in place by nails or latches of any suitable kind.

In order to fold the coop the side pieces are first swung upwardly to overlap the top and then the top piece is moved longitudinally and the whole device will fold into the position indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new therein, and desire to secure by Letters Patent therefor, is—

1. An improved folding poultry coop, comprising a solid bottom piece, two end pieces each composed of two square ended uprights and slats fixed thereto and placed on the said bottom with said uprights resting thereupon, hinges secured to the bottom and said uprights, all in the same side, a top composed of two cross pieces placed upon said uprights, slats fixed to said cross pieces, hinges connecting the uprights and said cross pieces on the opposite side of the uprights from the aforesaid hinges and two side pieces each composed of two or more square ended uprights, slats fixed to the uprights, and hinges for connecting the uprights with the top of the crate and allowing them to swing downwardly with said uprights engaging the top and bottom of the crate with their ends and the end uprights with their sides, to thoroughly brace the crate, substantially as and for the purposes stated.

2. An improved folding poultry coop comprising a solid bottom piece, two end pieces and a central partition each composed of two or more square ended uprights, slats fixed thereto placed on said bottom with said uprights resting thereon, hinges secured to the bottom and to said uprights all in the same side, a top composed of three cross pieces and slats fixed thereto, said cross pieces resting upon said uprights, hinges connecting the uprights with the said cross pieces and on the opposite side thereof from the aforesaid hinges two side pieces each composed of three uprights having square ends, and slats fixed

thereto, hinges for connecting the said up-
rights with the crate top to allow them to
swing downwardly with their square ends
resting upon the crate bottom and the under
5 side of the crate top and their sides engaging
the said uprights fixed to the bottom or be
capable of swinging upwardly to lie on top

of the crate, substantially as and for the pur-
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