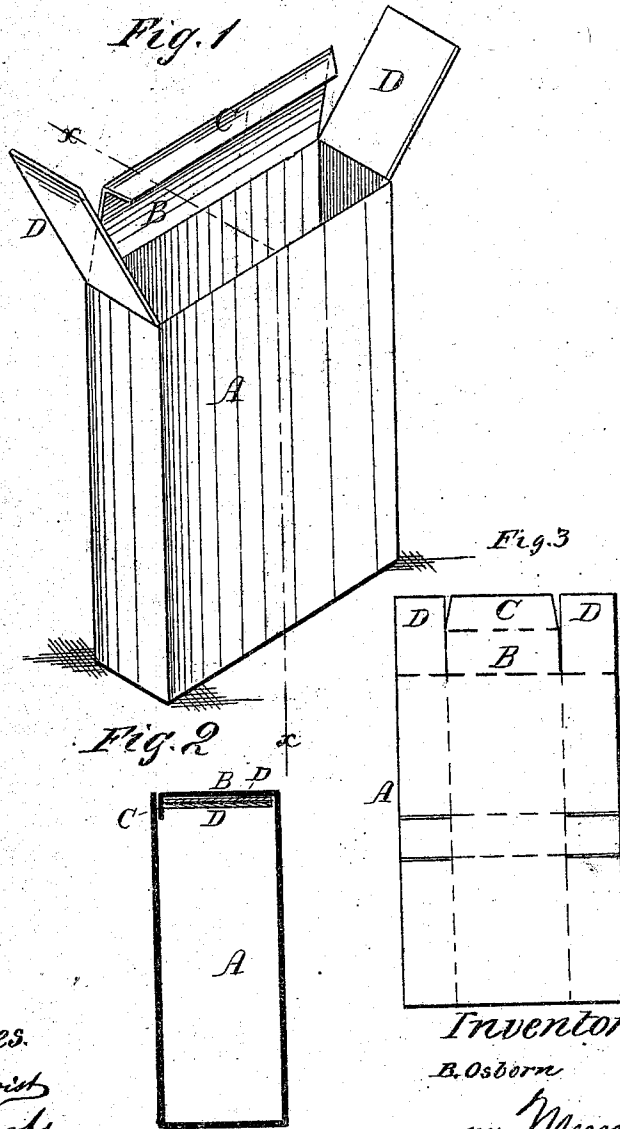


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IMPROVED PAPER BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENNET OSBORN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper Boxes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in paper boxes for packing dry articles, as spices, tobacco, cigars, and for all similar purposes; and it consists in forming the box of a single piece of paper, with provision made for securing and holding the cover of the box, and making the top tight, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a paper box constructed according to my invention. Fig. 2 is a cross-section through the line *xx* of Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the box, every part of which consists of a single piece of paper, which is cut before folding, as represented in Fig. 3.

I am aware that paper boxes have been made of a single piece before; but such boxes are defective, from the fact that there is no provision made for keeping the box tight around the cover when closed, nor for keeping the cover in place.

B is the cover, which shuts down with the lip or flange C within the box, as seen in the drawing; or it may close over with the flange on the outside with a tuck in the front. D D represent flaps, one on each side of the box, which, before the cover is brought down and closed, are turned down, as represented in Fig. 2, so that the cover closes down over them, rendering the top of the box tight, and keeping the cover in place.

The flaps D D may be attached to or form part of the cover; but in that case they would not sustain or keep the cover in place, and the box would still be imperfect, although it might answer for some purposes.

I do not broadly claim making a paper box of a single piece; but

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

The paper box herein described, cut from a rectangle of paper without waste, having its narrow sides double, and provided with stiffening-flaps D and cover B, bent over at its front edge, as shown at C, when constructed and arranged to operate substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

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