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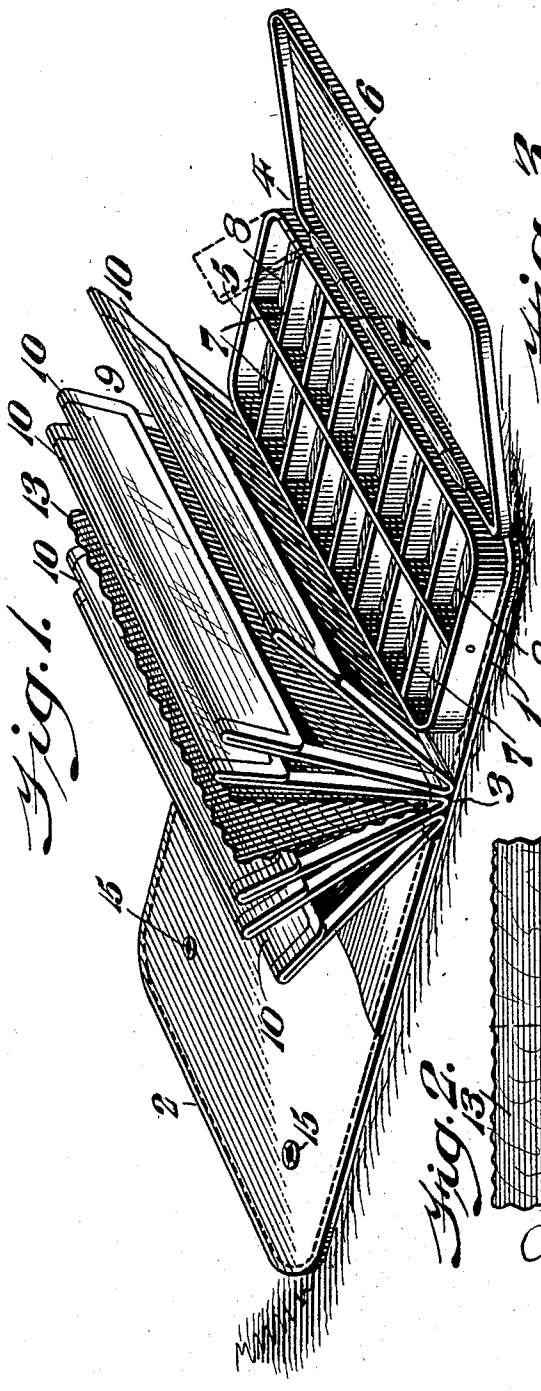


Fig. 1.

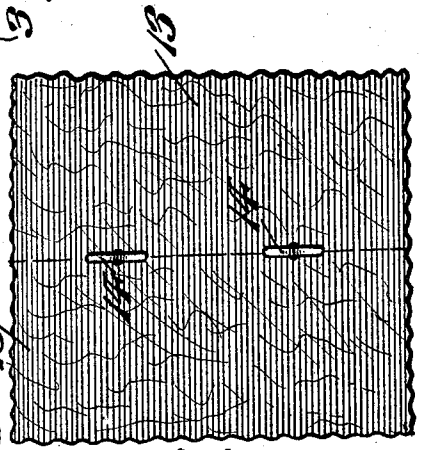


Fig. 2.

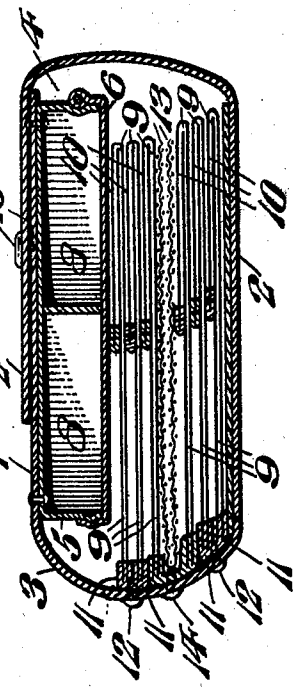


Fig. 3.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALBERT S. LANGBEIN, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Fisherman's Fly Book, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a book adapted to contain a fisherman's flies or bait, the same comprising covers, a fly receiving box, a supplemental fly receiving pocket, and a sheet for drying and cleansing the flies, said box, pocket and sheet being connected with the respective parts of the hook and adapted to be folded parallel and flat within said covers when the book is closed, means being also provided for preventing the book from opening and thereby retaining the flies in their respective places, and all of the parts are adapted to form a compact package convenient for handling and transportation, and when opened affords convenient access to the flies.

The invention is satisfactorily illustrated in the accompanying drawing, but the important instrumentalities thereof may be varied, and so it is to be understood that the invention is not limited to the specific details shown and described, as long as they are within the spirit or scope of the claim.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a fisherman's fly book in open condition.

Figure 2 represents a face view of the drying and cleansing sheet employed.

Figure 3 represents a transverse section of the book in closed condition.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings.

1 and 2 designate the covers of the book, and 3 the back bone portion thereof, the same being formed of suitable flexible material, the cover 2 being adapted to be folded over the cover 1 when the book is in closed condition.

Connected with the inner side of the cover 1 is the fly containing box 4 which is formed of suitable metal or other suitable material and comprises the body 5 and the lid 6, the latter having a surrounding flange to embrace the open side of the box, said body having therein a series of partitions 7 which provide said body with separate compartments 8 adapted to contain flies for fishing purposes which when said lid is closed, are prevented from dropping out of the box either at the top or their sides which latter are closed.

The bottom of the box is connected firmly with the cover 1 by rivets or other suitable means, so that said box is movable with said cover in opening and closing the book.

Connected with the interior of the back bone portion 3 of the book are the parallel pockets 9 each of which is formed of sheets of transparent and water proof material, open at the top and closed at their ends and bottom, and a closing flap 10 said pockets being adapted to contain flies which can be seen through the transparent sheets of the several pockets and prevented from loss by the flaps 10 thereof.

In practice two pockets are connected at their inner ends by a fold 11 which also provides a hinge for the pockets, said fold being secured to the back bone portion by suitable fastenings 12 which are passed through said portion and fold and clinched on the inner sides of the bend of the fold after the manner of a paper fastener.

13 designates sheets of textile fabric of absorbent nature, the same being doubled and connected at their bends with the back bone portion 3 by the fasteners 14 which are passed through said portion and bend and clinched on the inner side of the latter after the manner of a paper fastener, see Figure 3, said fasteners 12 being of the order of said fasteners 14.

As shown in Figure 3, the cover 2 is extended around the book towards the back and further extended as a flap which overlaps the cover 1 and rests upon the same. Then said cover 1 and the overlapping flap of the cover 2 are provided with devices 15 preferably of the order of snap fastenings which when engaged are adapted to retain said covers in closed position and prevent the book from improper opening.

When the book is closed the box 4, the pockets 9 and the absorbent sheets 13 are folded parallel with each other in the book and all inclosed in the covers and back bone portion, the covers being secured by the fastenings 15, the lid 6 of the box being retained in closed condition against

the pockets 9 and the latter having their inlets closed by the flaps 10 which rest against the bodies of said pockets, whereby the fly-contents of the latter and said box are prevented from dropping out of the same at their tops and all of the members are held firmly together forming a flat and compact package which may be readily carried. When the book is closed, the box 4 owing to its rigidity serves to sustain the pliable pockets and sheets of absorbent fabric in flat condition against each other and to stiffen the book when so closed against improper bending, while also preserving the compact nature of the device without severity.

When the flies are required, the covers are disconnected and opened when the box, pockets and sheets are presented to view, as shown in Figure 1. The lid 6 and flaps 10 may now be opened when the flies are accessible for the selection of the latter therefrom. After the flies have been used they are placed between the sheets 13 which absorb the moisture of the flies and dry them when they may be returned into their respective places. Then the cover 1 is restored to its normal position carrying with it the box 4 and folding the latter against the pockets 9 when the several pockets and sheets are pressed together parallel with each other and said box. Then the cover 2 is folded over the cover 1, and the two covers are fastened and thus a closed package is formed as shown in Figure 3 with the advantages hereinbefore stated.

If desired, each of the compartments 8 of the box 4 may have its own lid, one of which is shown open in dotted lines Figure 1, instead of all of said compartments having a lid common to them, as shown full in said figure, without, however, producing different results, only that each type of flies would be kept distinct from the others, and one kind of flies would be accessible without opening the other lids.

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

A book of the character stated consisting of foldable covers, a box formed of rigid material connected with one of said covers, said box having a covering lid, a pocket formed of duplicate waterproof sheets one of which is transparent, a closing flap for said pocket, said pocket being located parallel with said cover, means for securing said pocket to the backbone of the book, a sheet of absorbent fabric parallel with said pocket and being secured to said backbone, said covers being adapted to inclose said box, pocket and sheets, and a flap on one of said covers adapted to overlap the other cover and to be secured in closed position thereto.

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