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Paper-Box.

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Fig. 1.

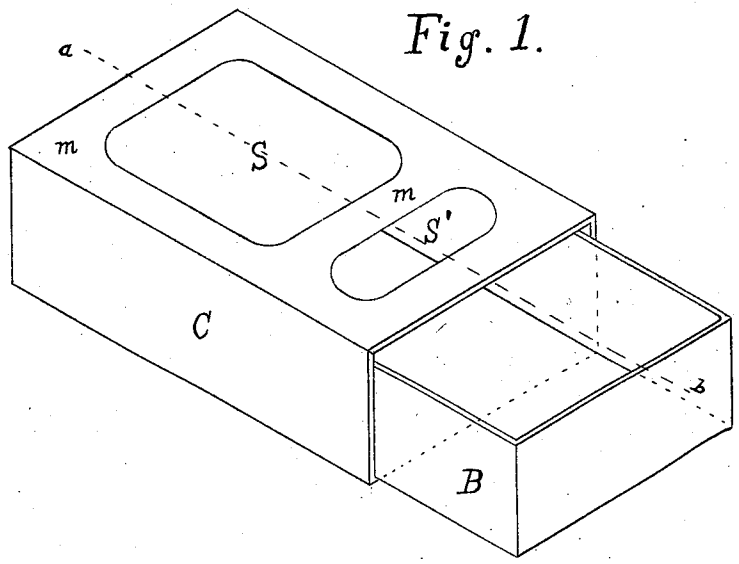
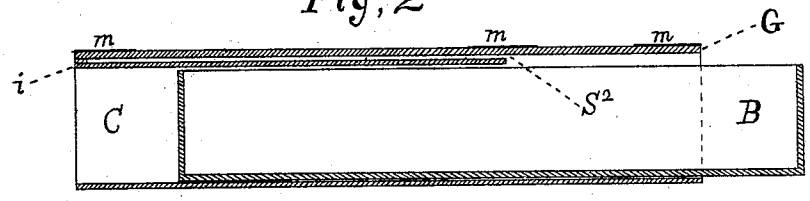


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER BOXES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH L. DOLE, of Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Card-Case, of which the following is a description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, showing at—

Figure 1 a perspective, and at Fig. 2 a vertical section on line *a b*, Fig. 1, of my improvement as applied to a box having a tubular cover, and specially designed for holding cartes de visite and similar cards.

My invention has for its object to furnish a case or box, of paper or other suitable material, in which a sample of the contents may be exhibited in the cover, and to combine with this feature facility for advertising. By this means the exact character of the contents of any particular box among several may be known at sight, and the business-card of the manufacturer or dealer be presented in a prominent and attractive manner.

The first object I accomplish by making the cover or upper part of the case C double, formed of pieces *i* G, to form a space, S^2, into which the card to be exhibited is slid beneath the outer cover, G. This cover I prefer to be of glass and covered with some thin material, *m*, to leave one or more openings, S S^1.

The second object I accomplish by providing, in connection with the opening S, the opening S^1, and making the inner cover, *i*, shorter at that end than outer cover, G, so that any desired name, address, motto, or device printed on a piece of paper may be pasted upon the inside of cover G beneath opening S^1. The piece *i*, being short at that end, gives access to the card in space S^2, to readily put it in or remove it.

In the present instance I have shown a box having its cover of glass partly covered by a thin material, as described; but, if desirable, from economical or other reasons, the glass may be dispensed with and some other material having suitable openings S^1 S^1 substituted therefor. In this case the articles may be equally well exhibited, but not so well protected from injury.

The application of my improvement is not limited to the style of box shown in the drawing. It may be applied to other styles and adapted to exhibit various articles; but it is specially useful for putting up photographs and similar goods.

Having described my invention, I claim—

The box-cover herein described, formed of two or more pieces, *i* G, to form space S^2, and having one or more openings, S S^1, all arranged substantially as and for the purpose described.

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