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Cartridge Box.

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Fig. 1.

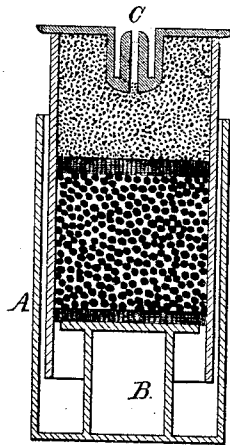
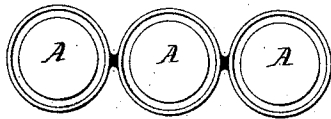


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HOLDERS FOR METALLIC CARTRIDGE-CASES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL C. GREENE, of the city of Vicksburg, county of Warren and State of Mississippi, have invented a new and useful Holder for Shells for Breech-Loading Shot Guns, of which the following is a full and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical central section of a holder and shell, showing their relative positions when used together.

Figure 2 is a horizontal view of the top edges of three holders, for the purpose of showing how any desired number may be united by solder or otherwise.

My invention relates to a holder or carrier for the ordinary shell used in breech-loading shot-guns, and is intended to hold the charge securely in the shell while it is waiting to be used, experience having shown me that the charge is very apt to be shaken out of the shell when carried in an ordinary box or pouch.

My shell-holder consists of a hollow cylinder of sheet metal, wood, or other suitable material, and is of such size as to receive loosely an ordinary shot-gun shell, nearly its full length. This cylinder is closed at one end, which I will designate the bottom.

Upon this bottom, inside the cylinder and centrally, is fastened a small stool-like part, about one-third as high as the cylinder, the top of the stool-like part being a flat disk, whose diameter is enough less than that of the cylinder to admit of an ordinary shot-gun shell being placed loosely around the stool inside the cylinder.

The top disk of the stool may be supported by a small hollow cylinder, as shown in the drawing, or any other convenient manner.

In fig. 1—

A represents the holder;

B the stool; and

C, a charged shell, all in vertical central section, showing the manner in which the shell is supported in the holder.

Figure 3 is merely designed to show how two or more of my holders may be attached together.

It will be seen that when a shell charged as usual, the charge filling it about three-fourths its depth, is introduced into one of my shell-holders, its mouth passes over the stool-like part, but does not reach the bottom of the holder, because the wad which holds the charge in the shell comes in contact with the top of the stool, and the shell is thus suspended in the holder, its own weight tending always to keep the charge home.

In using my shell-holders, as many as may be desired may be attached together, or fixed uprightly in a cartridge-box, or upon a belt, in any convenient manner.

Claim.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim is—

A holder for shells for breech-loading shot-guns, said holder consisting of the hollow cylinder A and stool-like part B, or its equivalent, all constructed and arranged substantially as described.

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Witnesses:

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