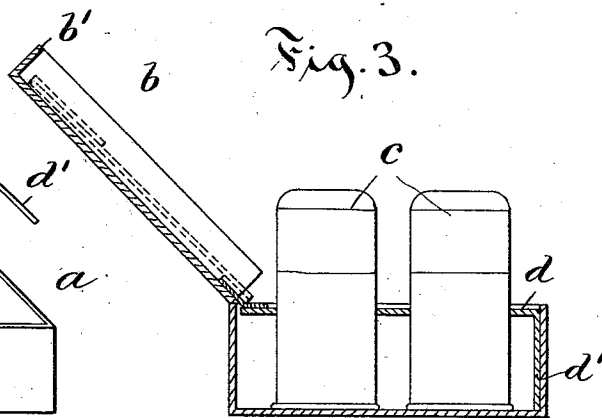
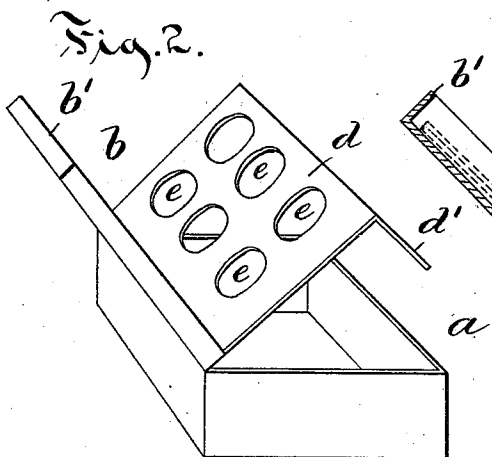
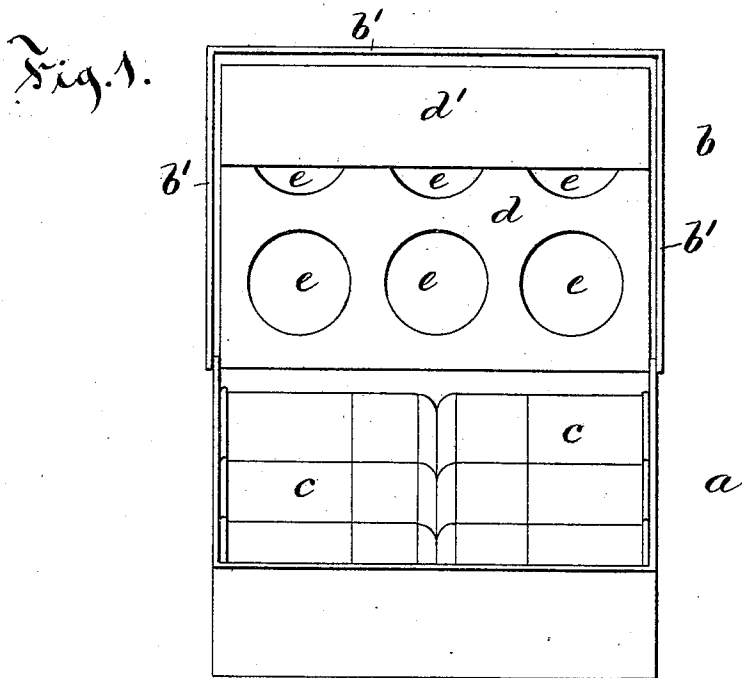


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BERNARD T. WILLIAMS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Glastonbury, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Boxes, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, whereby anyone skilled in the art can make and use the same.

The object of my invention is to provide a box, preferably of paper or pasteboard, which shall combine in the single structure facilities for safely storing and packing articles of merchandise for transportation and at the same time afford in a convenient manner means for properly displaying the articles, so as to attract the attention of customers.

To this end my invention consists in a display-box having a cover and an inner hinged frame folding within the box; and it further consists in details of the several parts making up the device as a whole and in the combination of such parts, as more particularly hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claim.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a detail perspective view showing a box embodying my invention with the cover opened and the display-frame folded against the cover. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the box empty and with the display-frame unfolded in position to illustrate the construction. Fig. 3 is a detail view in cross-section through the box with the cover opened, the display-frame in position, and articles supported thereby.

In the accompanying drawings the letter *a* denotes a box which may be made of any desired material, but preferably of paper or pasteboard; *b*, a cover which is hinged to one side of the box, the cover being preferably provided with downturned edges *b'* around three sides, as shown.

The box illustrated in the drawings is one adapted to contain a number of shaving-sticks packed as illustrated; but the precise character or shape of the articles packed in the box is not material.

When the articles are in the position as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawings they are not conveniently displayed to attract attention on a shelf or show-case, and to provide means

for a better arrangement a display-frame *d* is arranged within the box. This display-frame *d* is hinged to the side of the box, its edge practically conforming to the joint between the side of the box and the cover, so that the display-frame can be folded into place within the cover, as indicated in dotted outlines in Fig. 3. This display-frame *d* has a folding edge *d'*, which forms a strut which, when extended at right angles to the plane of the frame, will rest on the bottom of the box, as indicated in Fig. 3 of the drawings, and support the frame and the article which may be placed in sockets *e* in the frame.

The operation of the device may be understood by reference to the several figures of the drawings, where the frame is shown folded into a convenient space against the cover with the strut folded down upon the surface so as to allow the box cover to be closed upon the contents, and when the display-frame is to be used it is unfolded and turned down into the position shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings, the articles or any desired number of them being held in the sockets in the frame in convenient position to attract attention and to be readily removed for sale.

The inner surface of the cover is provided with the usual label or attractive form of advertising to call attention to the articles contained in the box and the use of such article.

The inner folding frame is shown and described herein as hinged to that side of the box as that to which the cover is hinged, and practically on the same line, but it is obvious that this folding frame may be otherwise hinged so as to fold within the box and yet come within the scope of my invention.

I claim as my invention—

In combination in a display box, a cover hinged to one side of the upper edge thereof, a display frame hinged to the box near the upper back edge thereof and adapted to be swung upward within the cover and having a folded edge forming a strut, and also sockets for holding an article, all substantially as described.

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