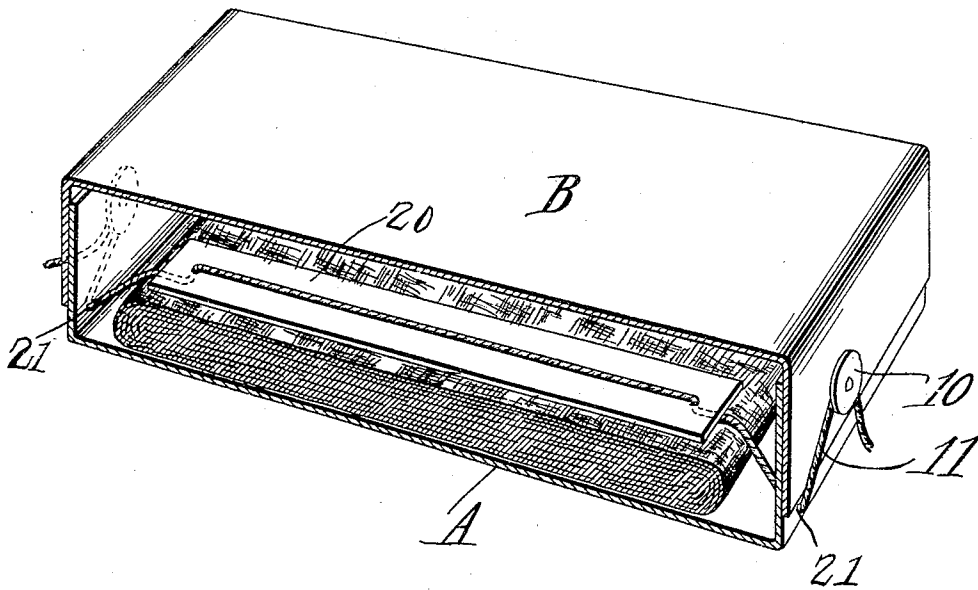


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EARL P. WARFIELD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented a new and useful Box-Fastener, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to box and package tying devices and has for its principal object to provide a simple and economic form of fastener by which paste board and other boxes may be quickly and securely fastened without the necessity of wrapping and tying in the manner universally practiced and to so arrange this means that it will serve also as a means for confining or holding in position the contents of the box whereby such contents will not be liable to be thrown about.

In the drawings there is shown a perspective view of a device constructed in accordance with the present invention, this view illustrating the manner in which the fastening cord of the device is to be used to retain articles within the box to which the invention is applied.

The cheap paper board boxes which are now largely used for the reception of clothing, laundry, shoes, confectionery and the like are in nearly all cases secured by wrapping and tying cord or twine there around. This involves considerable expense, not only in the matter of twine or cord, but in the time occupied in the fastening operation. The fastenings, moreover, if securely tied, cannot be readily loosened without employment of a knife or other cutting implement.

In the drawings A represents the body and B the lid or cover of an ordinary form of paper board box to which the present invention is applied.

As illustrated in the drawings, the fastening cord, which is indicated by the numeral 11, is passed through a pair of openings formed in a strip 20, of card-board or simi-

lar material, that is arranged to press against and hold garments or the like within the box. The ends of this tying cord 11 are passed through openings 21 at or near the bottom edges of the side walls of the box, and are thence passed upwardly and wound around the buttons 10 on the cover member of the box. By this construction finished garments may be held flat against the bottom of the box for the purpose of retaining the original fold lines, and thereby preventing them from becoming creased.

It will be understood, from the foregoing description of the invention, that the ends of the tying cord 11 may be extended between adjacent buttons, to afford a handle, should it be so desired to arrange the device.

What is claimed is:—

1. The combination with a box including a body portion and cover, a garment engaging strip disposed within the box, securing buttons fastened to the opposite side walls of the cover, and a cord having one end thereof secured to one of the buttons and its other end passing through openings formed in the opposite sides of the body of the box for attachment to the other button, the intermediate portion of the cord being arranged to bear against the garment engaging strip.

2. The combination with a box including a body portion and cover, buttons secured to the opposite walls of the cover, a garment engaging strip disposed within the box, and a flexible medium extending transversely through the box for attachment to the adjacent buttons for yieldably supporting said strip in engagement with a garment.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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