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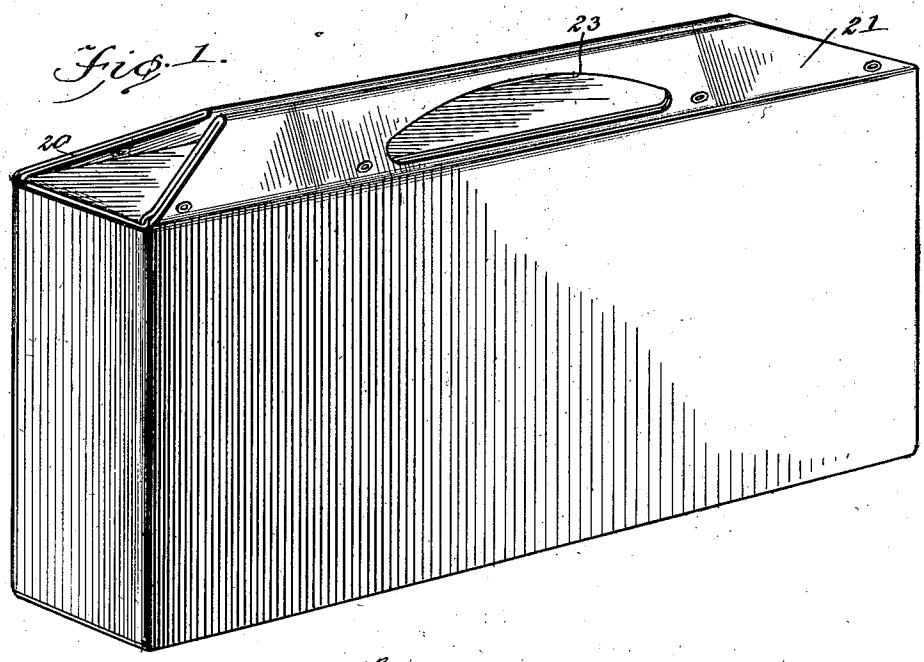
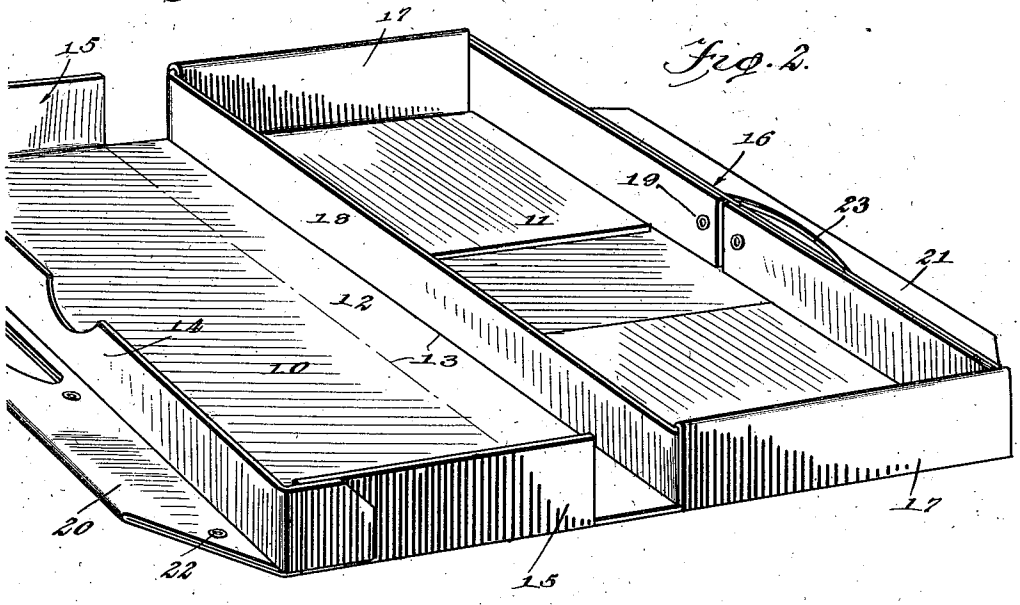


Fig. 2.



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Fig. 3.

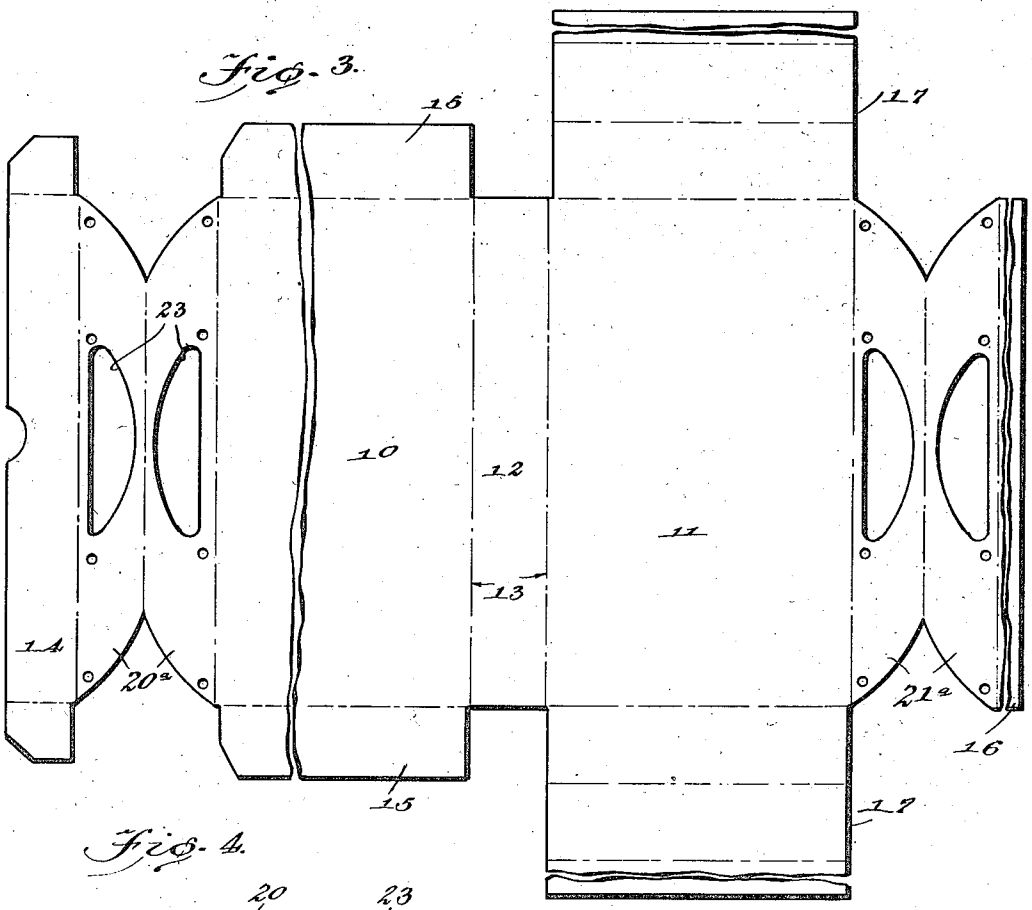


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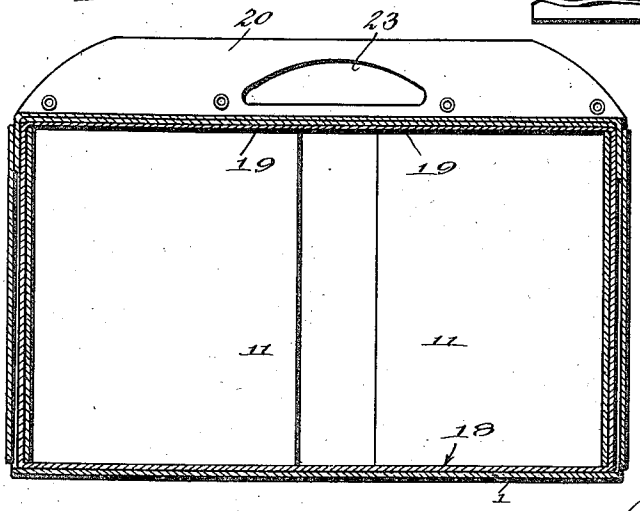
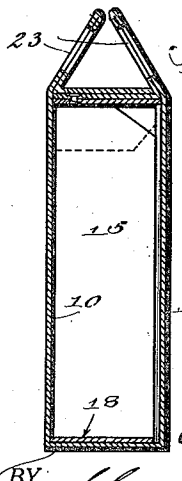


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLAYTON E. OSBURN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Davenport, in the county of Scott and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Suit Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates generally to paste-board and like boxes and more particularly to suit boxes such as used by clothiers, tailors and the like, my object being the provision of a simple inexpensive arrangement which will promote strength and durability of the box and which will enable it to be readily carried without wrapping and tying and in a much more convenient easy manner than is possible with the ordinary suit box.

In the accompanying drawings which illustrate my present invention and form a part of this specification,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box complete and in closed position,

Figure 2 is a perspective view showing the box in its completed form and in the open position,

Figure 3 is a plan view of the blank, and

Figures 4 and 5 are respectively a central longitudinal section and a central transverse section through the complete box in the closed position of Figure 1.

Referring now to these figures my invention proposes a suit box which comprises generally two side sections 10 and 11, connected at their lower ends by a bottom strip 12 along the side edges of which the inner edges of the side sections 10 and 11 are foldable upon lines 13 so that these side sections 10 and 11 may fold with respect to one another to the closed position of Figure 1 wherein the laterally extending flaps 14 and 15 respectively along the outer side and the ends of section 10 overlap somewhat similar flaps 16 and 17 along the outer side and ends of the section 11. Thus the two sections telescope in the closed position of Figure 1.

Referring now to the blank as shown in Figure 3 it will be noted that the end flaps 15 of the section 10 are simple extensions of a length equal to the width of the flaps when the latter are bent at right angles to the section 10 as in Figure 2, while the end flaps 17 of section 11 are in the nature of elongated extensions substantially greater in length than twice the desired extension of the finished flaps, so that these elongated extensions may be folded inwardly over the ends of a skeleton frame 18 which is of rectangular form, disposed edgewise against the inner face of the side section 11 and secured as by means of grommets or like fastening members 19 to the outer flap 16 of the section 11.

It will also be seen from Figure 3 that the flaps 14 and 16 along the outer edges of the side sections 10 and 11 are formed by the outer parts of elongated side extensions the inner portions of which extensions are bent back upon one another to form doubled handle flaps 20 and 21 which outstand from the side sections 10 and 11 along their free edges and adjacent to their outer surfaces. The doubled portions 20^a and 21^a of Figure 3 which form the handle flaps are secured to one another in their folded position as by means of grommets and like fastening members 22, and are provided intermediate their ends with lengthwise slotted openings 23 which come together in the folded position so as to form hand openings.

Thus in the folded position of the parts shown in Figures 1, 2, 4 and 5 it is obvious my invention provides a box which is particularly suited to the purposes for which it is intended, may be readily transported from place to place without crushing or otherwise injuring the contents, and may be carried, in most instances without wrapping and tying, and with much greater convenience than is possible in connection with the ordinary suit box now in use.

I claim:

1. A suit box including relatively foldable side sections having telescoping side and end flaps, the flaps along one side of said sections having extensions doubled upon one another and forming upstanding flaps at opposite sides of the box, said last mentioned flaps being slotted intermediate their ends and constituting a handle.

2. A suit box consisting of relatively foldable sections having telescoping flaps along the free sides and ends thereof and also having at said sides integral folded flaps upstanding in laterally spaced and opposed relation, said upstanding flaps having longitudinally elongated slots opposite to one another whereby to form a handle in the closed position of the box for readily carrying the latter from place to place.

3. A suit box including a single piece of material in relatively foldable side sections having a connecting web between said sections along one side thereof, each of said sections forming one side wall of the box and having integral flaps along the ends and the other sides thereof and forming telescoping flanges for the box in its closed position, said flange forming flaps along the sides of the sections being in connection with extensions of the side walls of the box doubled upon one another between the side walls and said flanges and having slotted openings intermediate their ends and forming opposed hand grips, grasping of which will hold the two side sections in the closed position against accidental displacement.

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