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Fig. 1.

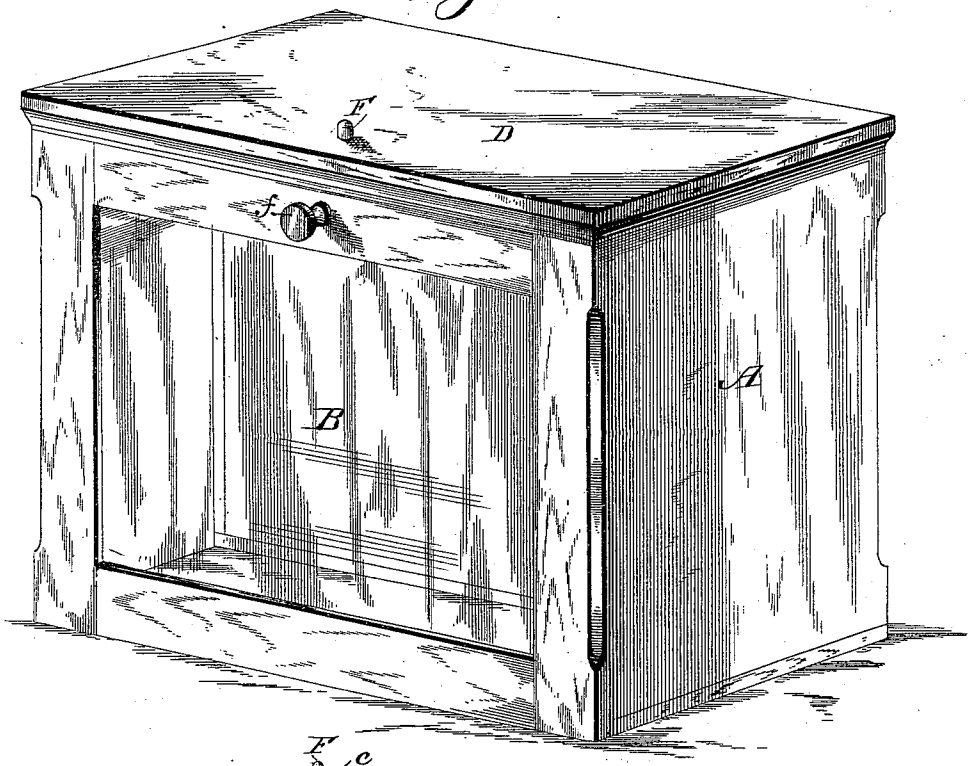
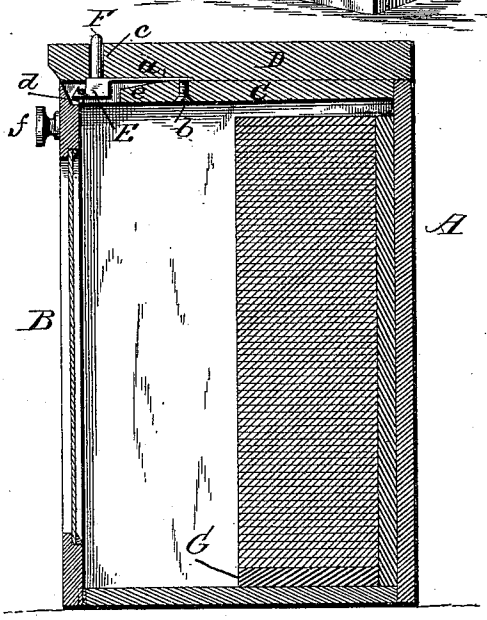


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN W. FASHING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Garnett, in the county of Anderson and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Boxes or Show-Cases for Plug-Tobacco; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a perspective view of my invention, and Fig. 2 a vertical section thereof.

The object of the present invention is to provide a box or case especially adapted to contain and exhibit to view plug-tobacco, and also to keep it moist; and it consists in a box or case constructed substantially as shown in the drawings, and hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents the box or case, of any desirable size and shape, provided with a glass door, B, hinged to the box at the bottom thereof. The top of the box or case A is somewhat thicker than the sides and bottom, and consists of the inner re-enforce panel, C, and top proper, D, as shown in Fig. 2.

Between the panel C and top D is located the spring-shank *a* of a latch, E, the extremity of the shank being held between the panel and top by a screw, *b*, or other suitable fastening. The latch E is provided with an upwardly-extending push-bar F, which passes up through a hole, *c*, in the top D. In order to allow the latch E to be depressed sufficiently to disengage itself with the loop or keeper *d* on the glass cover B, the re-enforce panel C has a beveled end, *e*, which allows of the depression as above described, and also forms a stop and seat for the spring-shank *a* when brought down thereon.

This fastening device is very simple and easily operated, and is therefore especially adapted to the purpose, as the glass cover or door B is easily opened by simply depressing the push-bar F, when it can be let down by the knob *f*, and access obtained to the box or case to remove one or more plugs of tobacco for a customer, after which the cover or door is closed, and securely held in such position by the spring-latch.

The box or case A at its back is provided with a caddy, G, which contains the plug-tobacco, said caddy being without a top to facilitate the removal of the plugs from the uppermost layer.

To keep the tobacco moist and from drying, I keep a wet sponge in the box or case, or other well-known means usually employed for this purpose.

The box or case may be made of either wood or metal, and ornamented or plain, as preferred.

Having now fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination, with a box or show-case for plug-tobacco provided with a glass door or cover, of a spring-latch device having a shank, and a push-bar playing through the top of the box or case, a re-enforce panel secured to the under side of the top and clamping the shank thereagainst, and beveled at its front to form a stop and seat for the shank, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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