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Spool-Boxes.

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Fig. 1.

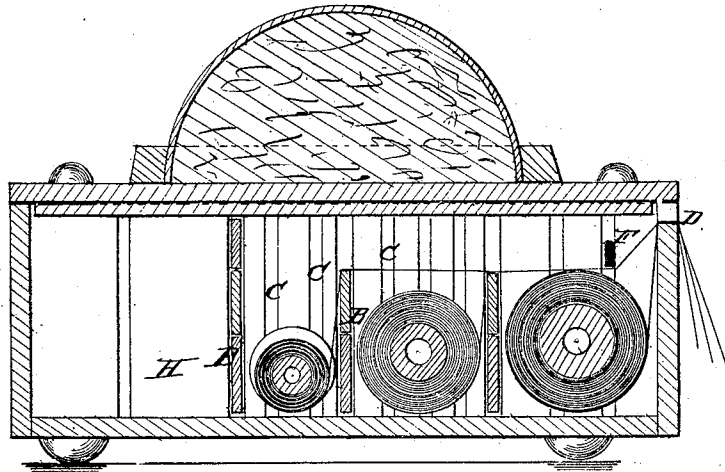
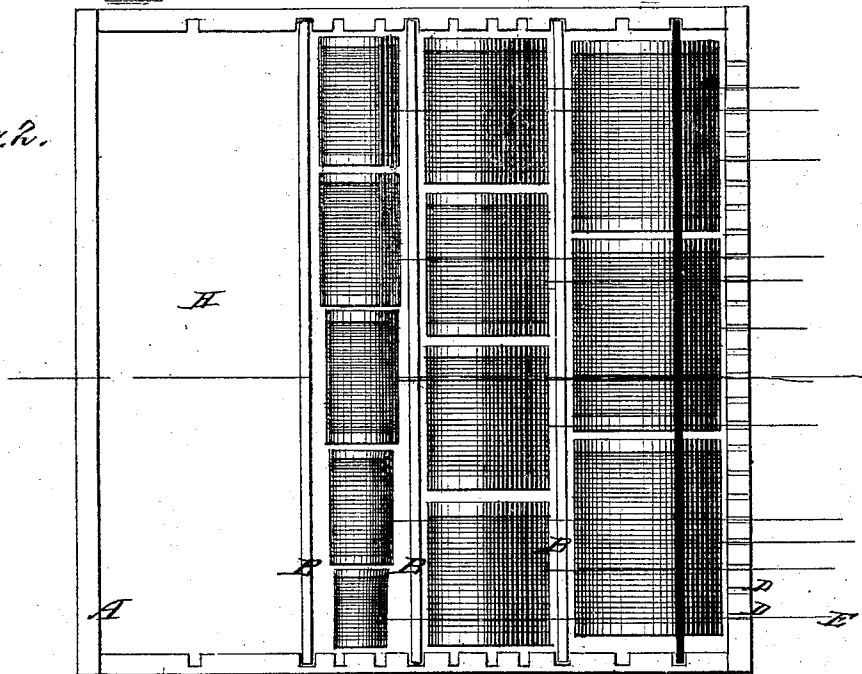


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN SPOOL-BOXES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS C. BOHN, of Centralia, in the county of Marion and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Thread-Box, of which the following is a specification:

My invention consists of a small box suitable for a lady's work-table with several partition-plates within and grooves, or it may be other supports, for the ends of said partitions, adapted for dividing part or all of the inner space into narrow spaces of different widths, suitable for containing several spools lying end to end, so as to roll when the thread is pulled; and one side of the box parallel with the rows of spools has a number of notches in the upper edge, through which the threads from the spools may be drawn as required for use, the ends being left hanging out sufficiently to afford a hold for pulling out when thread is wanted, all as hereinafter described.

Figure 1 is a transverse sectional elevation taken on the line *x x* of Fig. 2, and Fig. 2 is a plan view with the top removed.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A represents the box, which may be of any preferred size, but should be long enough to contain at least three of the largest spools in a row, end to end, and a little deeper than the diameter of the said spools. B represents movable partitions dropped into the vertical gains or grooves in the inner sides of the two ends or short sides of the box for dividing the box into long, narrow compartments of different widths, adapted for holding spools of different

sizes in rows, in the manner shown in the drawing. These grooves or any equivalent holders for the partitions in their stead are to be made sufficiently close together to allow of making the spaces wide or narrow, according to the size of the spools they are to contain.

D represents the notches or slits sawed or otherwise formed in the upper edge of one of the sides of the box, parallel with the longest direction of the compartments, for drawing the threads through. E represents the thread ends so drawn through. The partitions between the rows of spools will be only about as high as the top of the largest spool, and just inside of the notched board through which the threads are drawn a tension-bar, F, may be dropped down one pair of the grooves above the threads to keep them in the notches.

A wide space, H, may be reserved back of the spools for holding buttons and other articles usually contained in a lady's work-box.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The new article of manufacture consisting of a thread-box with changeable partitions B and the notches D, all constructed and arranged substantially as specified.

2. The combination of the tension-bar F with the thread-box, constructed as above described.

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