

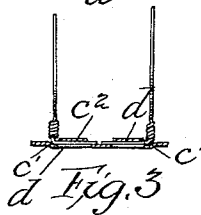
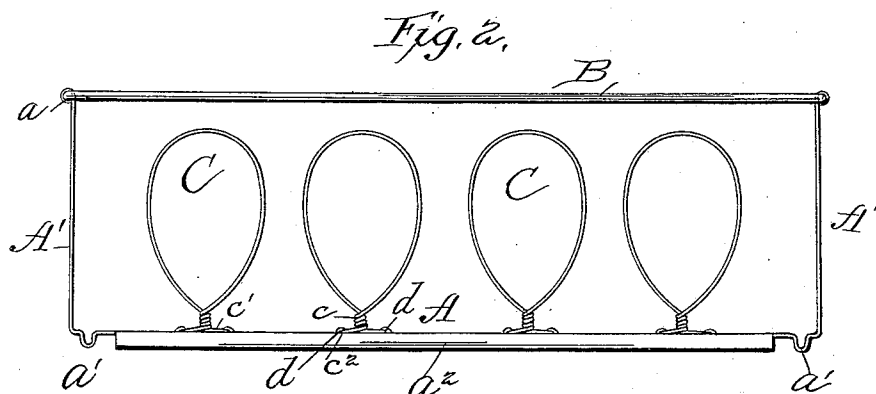
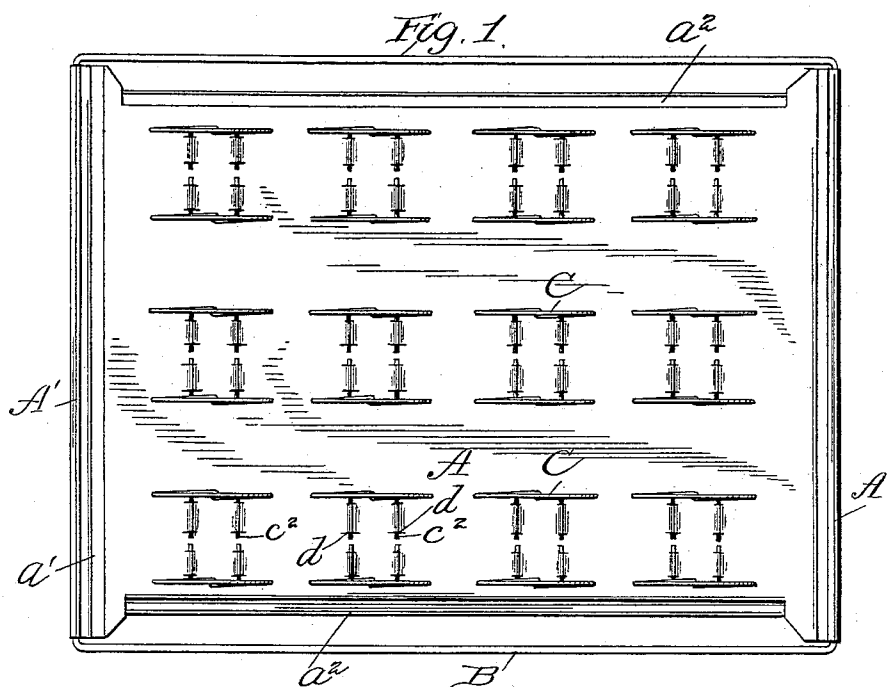
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EGG CRATE.

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EGG-CRATE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE W. SPURR, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wabash, in the county of Wabash and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Egg-Crates, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to improvements in crates for shipping eggs, of that class in which the eggs are held between loops of wire, the object of the invention being to improve the details of construction, whereby a light, strong, and effective crate may be cheaply and quickly made from metal.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a crate constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the same, and Fig. 3 is a detail showing the manner of securing the loops to the base.

The body of the crate consists of a sheet of tin or similar thin sheet metal A, with the ends bent up at A' and connected by a rectangular rod B, the sheet metal being turned over the rod, as shown at a.

The body A is preferably provided with a transverse corrugation near each end, as shown at a', and a similar corrugation runs along each side, as shown at a², these corrugations strengthening very materially the body portion of the crate.

The loops consist each of a single wire bent with a loop-shaped portion C and with a twisted neck c and outwardly-turned feet c',

the ends of these feet being bent at right angles, as shown at c². The loops are arranged in pairs, so that an egg is held between each pair of loops, and the angular bent ends of the adjacent loops are preferably turned toward each other, as shown. I secure these feet to the body portion by striking up the metal to form two openings d for each foot, and the feet passing through these openings in the manner shown forms a very simple and strong connection.

The whole device may be tinned or otherwise treated after the parts are shaped and assembled as above described.

I claim—

1. An egg-crate comprising the sheet-metal body having struck-up portions forming a plurality of pairs of perforations, and the egg-shaped loops having twisted necks and laterally-turned portions below said necks, the ends of said lateral portions being bent at right angles to and inserted in the perforations of the base, substantially as described.

2. An egg-crate comprising the sheet-metal body portion having longitudinal and transverse strengthening-ribs and upwardly-turned ends, the rectangular wire loop connecting said ends, and the wire loops connected with the body portion, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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