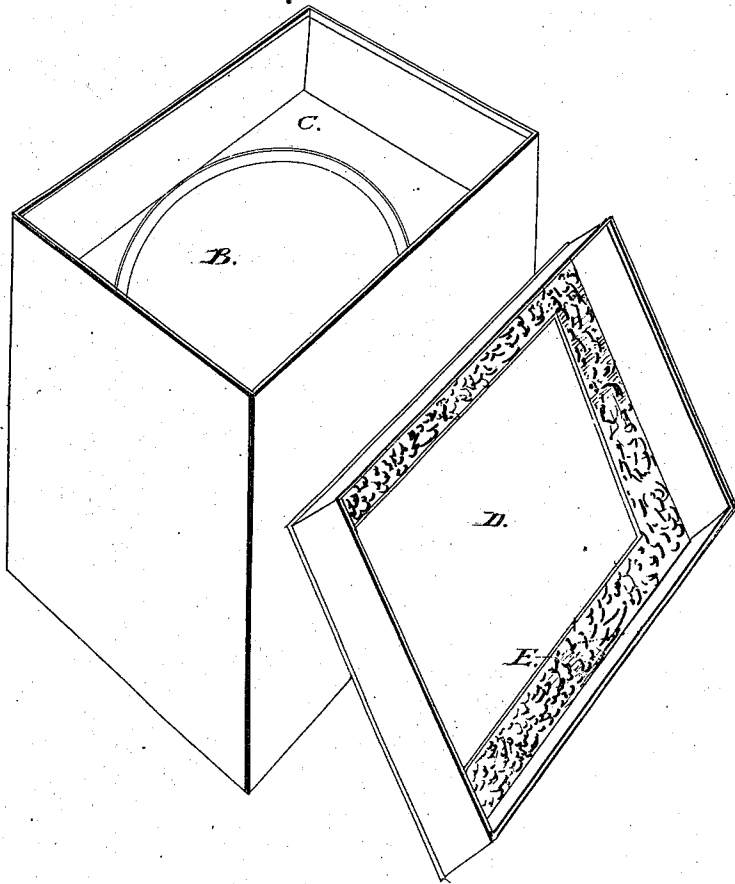


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IMPROVED MUFF AND COLLAR-BOX

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

Know all men that I, HENRY FOWLER, of Detroit, in the county of Wayne, and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Muff and Collar-Boxes; and I do declare that the following is a true and accurate description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, and being a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is so to construct a box in which to keep muffs and collars that the smallest possible space may be taken up, and, at the same time, allow the collar to be properly folded. Also, to so arrange a lining to the inner side of cover as to prevent moths and insects from gaining admission to the furs in the box.

In order to accomplish this end, I construct a rectangular box, A, of proper size and depth, in the center of which I place a circular box, B, to hold the muff.

At the top of the muff-box B, I fasten a proper shelf, C, with an aperture through the same corresponding to the size of the muff-box. This shelf is situated about two inches below the top of the rectangular box A, giving space enough to contain a fur collar when properly folded up.

Upon the box A, I fit a proper cover, D, attached to which, around the upper corners, is fitted a padding, E, of cloth, felting, or other suitable material, so that when the cover is placed on the box, this padding, fitting the top of the box, prevents the ingress of insects, moths, &c.

The shelf C may be composed of cedar, or any other suitable material, as well as the top of the box. The top may be fastened to the box by any suitable rubber, or other suitable cord and button, or other device.

I am aware that boxes with partitions have been made; but such boxes, as heretofore constructed, do not furnish so safe and convenient a fur-set box as does my improvement.

It is well known that a set of furs is a costly article of apparel, and one that for half the year, more or less, is not worn. Hence, the importance of a box or case in which to place such articles, which will fully protect them against injury from vermin, moisture, and from dust. This, I believe, is accomplished by my invention.

The pasteboard now employed for such boxes renders them both water and air-proof, except where the cover joins the body of the box. That defect is remedied by my improvement of a packing to completely close the joint between the body of the box and the cover. The introduction of the cedar partition prevents vermin from seeking the box as a harbor or nest. The construction and arrangement of my box preserves the several pieces of a fur set against crumpling or other injury.

Having thus described my invention,

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. A fur-set box, A, composed of the cylinder B and partition or shelf C, arranged as described.
2. The padding E, in combination with the cover D, and box A, arranged so as to preserve a set of furs against the entrance of dust, as described.

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