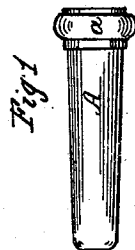
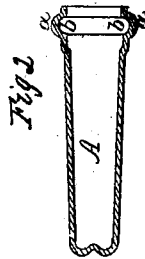


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Cartridge Case.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CARTRIDGE-CASES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 27,791, dated April 10, 1860.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE P. FOSTER, of the city and county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cases for Cartridges of Fire-Arms; and I do hereby declare the same is fully described and represented in the following specification and the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is an external view, and Fig. 2 a longitudinal section, of one of my improved cartridge-cases.

The nature of my improvement consists in making the cartridge-case with a recess or grease-chamber within its projecting bead, which serves to close the joint of the breech of the gun.

In the drawings, A denotes the cartridge-case, of which *a* is the projecting bead carried around the front end or ball mouth of such case. This bead is formed with a groove or recess, *b*, extending within it, and around the inner surface of the case, and so as to encompass the ball when placed within the mouth or front end of such case. This chamber is for the purpose of containing tallow or grease, or it may carry part of the load of powder.

I claim—

The improved cartridge-case as made with the grease-chamber arranged within it and in its bead as specified.

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