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Garbage Box,

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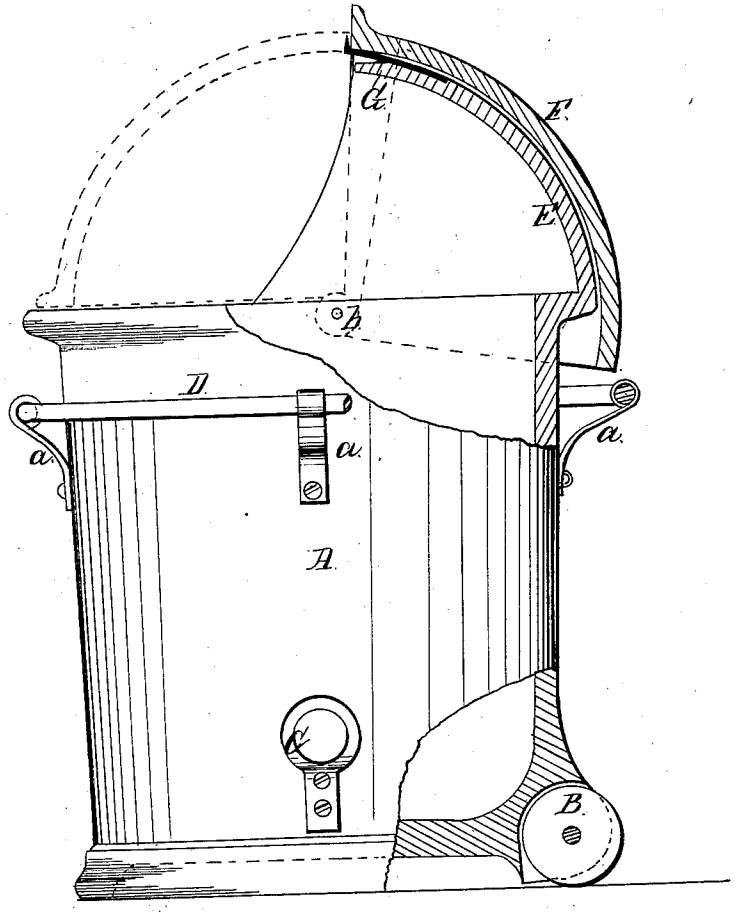

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IMPROVED ASH OR GARBAGE-BOX.

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

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, CHARLES W. STAFFORD, of Saybrook, in the county of Middlesex, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and improved Portable Garbage and Ash-Box; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same.

The drawing represents an elevation of my invention, partly in section.

The object of this invention is to obtain a garbage and ash-box, which will be capable of being readily moved and dumped so that its contents may be discharged into a cart, and also have a lid to prevent odor from escaping, so arranged or applied that it may be readily raised or opened when the box is to be dumped, and still prevented from casually opening when the box is being moved.

A represents the body or main portion of the garbage or ash-box constructed of sheet iron and provided with a cast-iron base and top rim. The body A may be of cylindrical or slightly conical form, and of such dimensions that it will be of the capacity of an ordinary barrel. In the base of the body A of the box there is inserted a roller, B, which may be of cast iron. This roller admits of the box being drawn along with the greatest facility by simply canting it a trifle so that it will rest or bear on the roller. To the lower part of the body A, at opposite sides or points, there are attached two handles, C C, and an annular handle, D, is fitted in brackets, *a*, which are attached to the upper part of the body A, the handle D extending entirely around the body A, and the brackets *a* being so curved or bent that D will be out a suitable distance from A to admit of being conveniently grasped by the hand. The top rim or part of the body A is cast with a permanent cover, E, of semispherical form, and F is a cover of similar form, but of rather larger dimensions, so that it may slide or work over E, said cover F being attached to the top rim of the body A by rivets or screws, *b*, which form joints or hinges. The fixed or permanent cover E has a spring catch, G, attached, which holds or secures the movable or sliding cover F in an open state, and by friction or pressure holds it in a closed state, so that F cannot casually slide open when the device is moved along on the roller B. The device may be readily lifted and dumped by two persons, one at each side, the persons grasping the lower handles C with one hand, and the upper annular handle D with the other hand. It may be constructed at a very moderate cost, and being wholly of metal is fire-proof, so that ashes may be deposited in it without any danger whatever.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A portable garbage and ash-box constructed of iron, or other suitable metal, having a roller, B, in its base, fixed and movable semispherical covers, E F, and suitable handles, all constructed and arranged substantially as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 20th day of September, 1866.

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