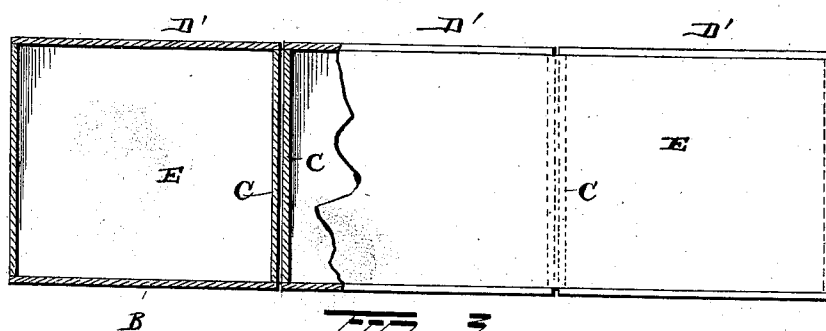
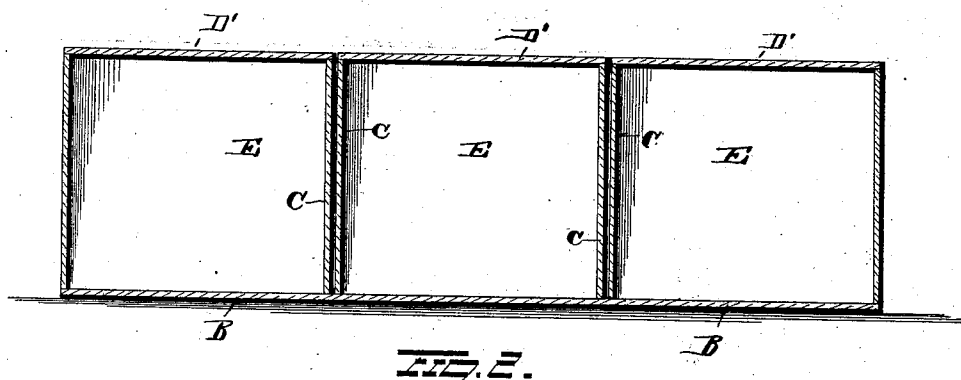
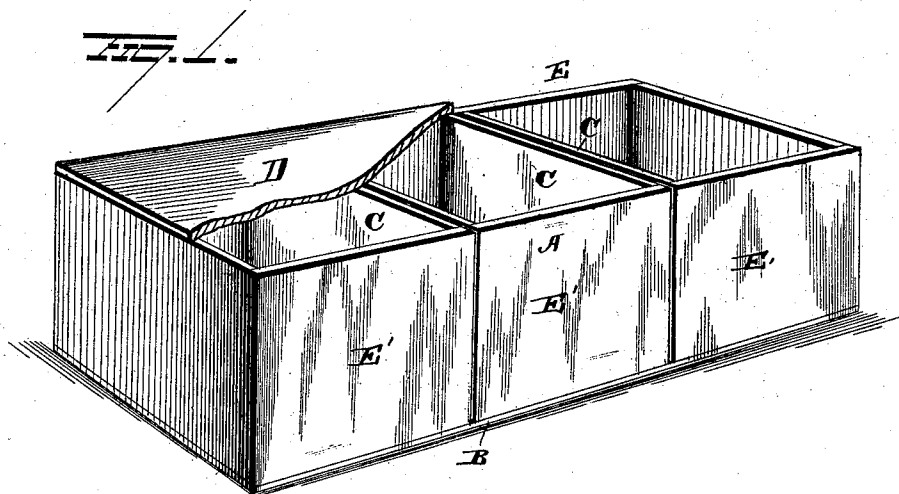


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY WOOD, of Wellington, in the county of Lorain and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful

5 Improvements in Wooden Boxes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

10 My invention relates to an improvement in boxes for packing and shipping butter, fruit, &c., the object of the same being to provide a box with a series of compartments, each compartment forming a complete box in itself, and adapted to be separated from the other

15 compartment or compartments. A further object is to provide a device of this character which shall be simple and economical in construction and at the same time durable and efficient in use; and with these ends in view my invention consists in certain details in construction, as will be more fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a box embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section of a box, each compartment provided with an independent cover; and Fig. 3 is a view in elevation, partly in section, of the box, each compartment of the same being provided with an independent top and bottom.

30 A represents a box divided into a series of compartments by partitions C C. The partitions C C, forming the adjacent ends of two compartments, are near to but independent of each other, sufficient space being left between them for a free movement of a saw therein. If desired, the box may be provided with handles for more conveniently handling it; but these

40 may be dispensed with, if desired.

To enable the compartments to be easily and quickly separated without the necessity of removing the lid D to ascertain the position of the compartment, a separate cover, D', can be secured to each compartment, as shown in

45 Fig. 2, the side edges of each cover D' forming

the boundaries of its compartment. By this arrangement a saw can be introduced into the space between the partitions and the two sides and bottom severed.

50 Instead of the above construction, the top can be in a continuous piece, as shown at D, Fig. 1, and a side of each compartment formed of independent pieces E', also shown in Fig. 1.

In Fig. 3 I have shown the tops D' and bottom B, made of independent sections, and the sides E of continuous pieces; but, if desired, both sides can be made in sections and the top and bottom of continuous pieces. By thus constructing a compartment-box no difficulty

60 is experienced in separating the compartments, as spaces are left on one or more sides, through which the saw can be introduced. Again, by making one or more of the four sides of each compartment entirely independent of the adjacent compartment, I am enabled to use short or waste lumber, and thereby considerably reduce the cost of manufacture.

After the package has reached its destination, the compartments can be separated without disturbing their contents by inserting a saw between the partitions and cutting through the top or bottom or sides, as the case may be. After the compartments are separated each one constitutes a box in itself.

75 Having fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A box divided into a series of compartments by adjacent partitions, which latter constitute ends of the adjacent compartments, each compartment of said box having one or more of its four sides entirely independent of the adjacent compartment, substantially as set forth.

85 In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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