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BOX FASTENER.

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Fig. 1.

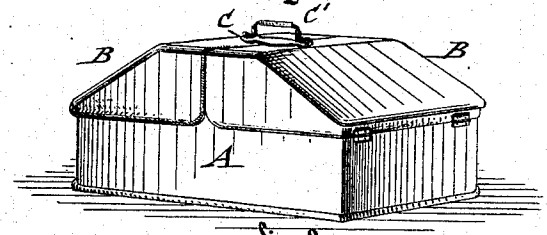


Fig. 2.

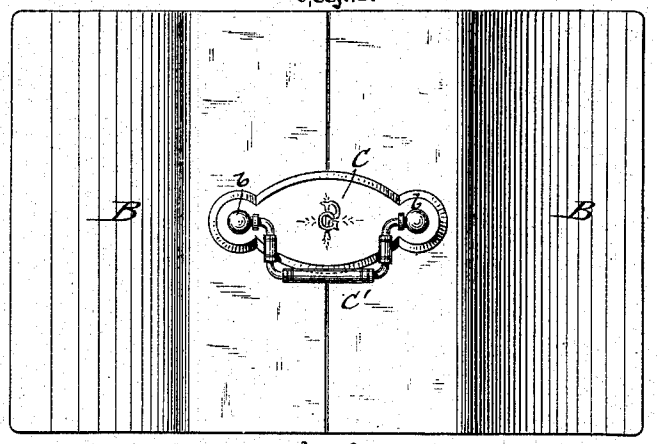


Fig. 3.

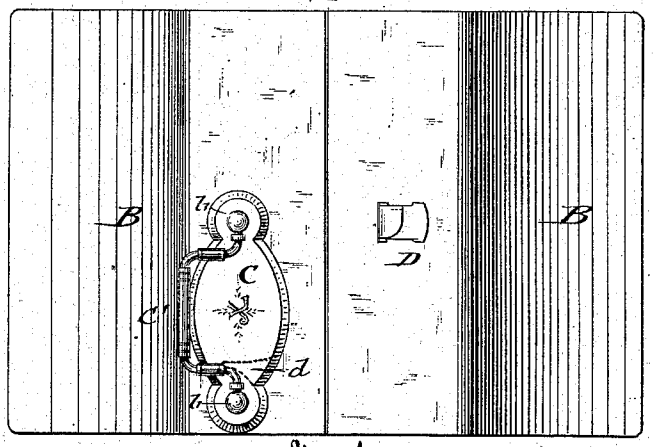
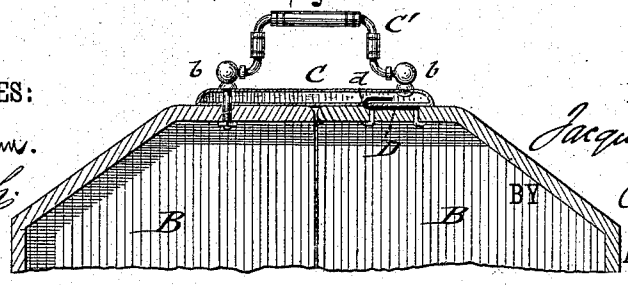


Fig. 4.



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BOX-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JACQUES LOEW, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Box-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has reference to an improved fastener for cuff and collar, jewelry, and other boxes of that class in which two hinged box or lid sections are employed; and the invention consists of a fastener for cuff and collar and other boxes, made of a locking-plate having a handle, said locking-plate being pivoted to one box-section and adapted to be thrown across the meeting-joint of the box-sections, so as to engage by a bottom recess a catch secured to the other box-section, said catch being covered by the locking-plate when the box is closed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a cuff and collar box with my improved fastener. Figs. 2 and 3 are plans of the same, showing the fastener respectively in closed and open position; and Fig. 4 is a vertical transverse section of the box and fastener.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A in the drawings represents a jewelry, cuff and collar, or other box, which is provided with two hinged lid or box sections, B B. A locking-plate, C, is pivoted to one lid or box section B, and provided at its top part with a fixed or hinged handle, C′, that is applied to posts *b b* of the locking-plate C.

The locking-plate C has a recess, *d*, at the under side, near its opposite end, and is adapted to engage a catch, D, of the other lid or box section B, which is readily engaged by the locking-plate, when the same is placed by means of the handle across the joint of the box-sections, as shown in Fig. 2.

The locking-plate C and catch D are so arranged that the catch D is entirely covered by the locking-plate C when the box is locked. To open the box, the locking-plate is thrown around its pivot into position at one side of the meeting-joint of the box or lid sections, as shown in Fig. 3, so that the box-sections can be readily opened.

The middle part of the locking-plate is preferably enlarged, so as to be used as a name or monogram plate.

I am aware that a locking-plate that is pivoted to one section of the box and adapted to engage a catch on the other section of the box has been used heretofore, and I therefore do not claim this feature, broadly.

By my construction the fastener can be handled with greater facility, as the locking-plate can be operated with great facility by its handle, which also serves for taking hold of and carrying the box from place to place. As the catch device is covered by the locking-plate when the box is closed, a very neat and symmetrical appearance is imparted to the fastener.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

In a cuff and collar box, the combination of the body A, having hinged lid-sections B B, a locking-plate, C, that is pivoted to one lid-section and provided with a bottom recess, *d*, a handle, C′, applied to the locking-plate, and a catch device, D, secured to the other lid-section, said locking-plate serving to lock the box and to carry the same by means of the handle, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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