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EGG SAFETY SHIPPING PACKAGE.

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Fig. 1.

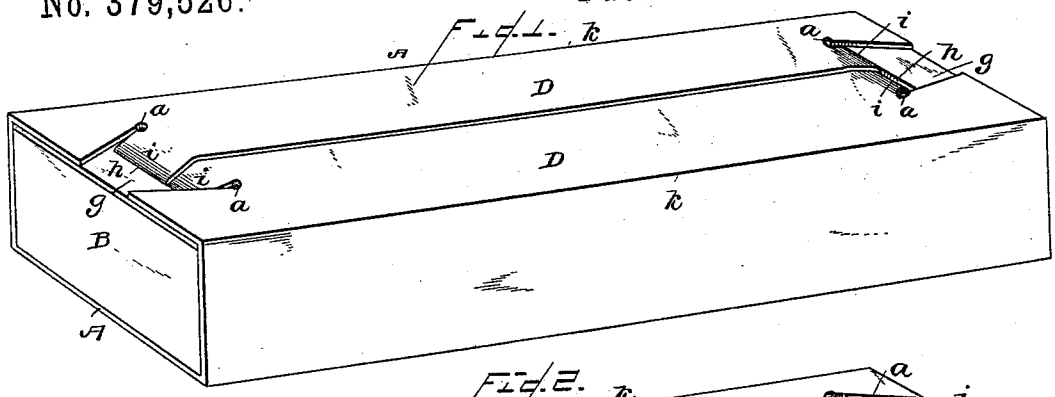


Fig. 2.

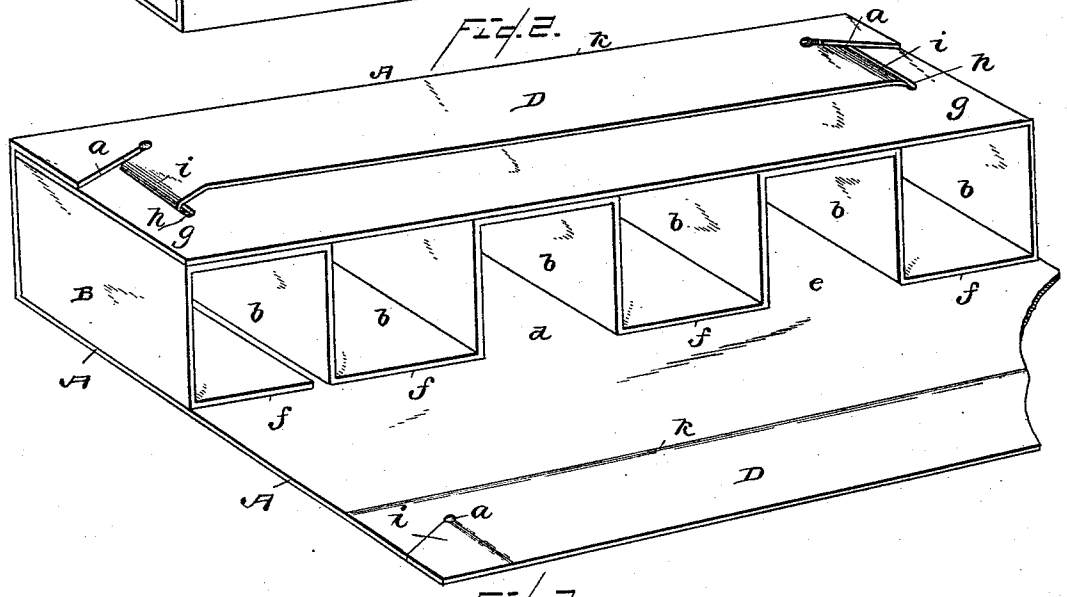


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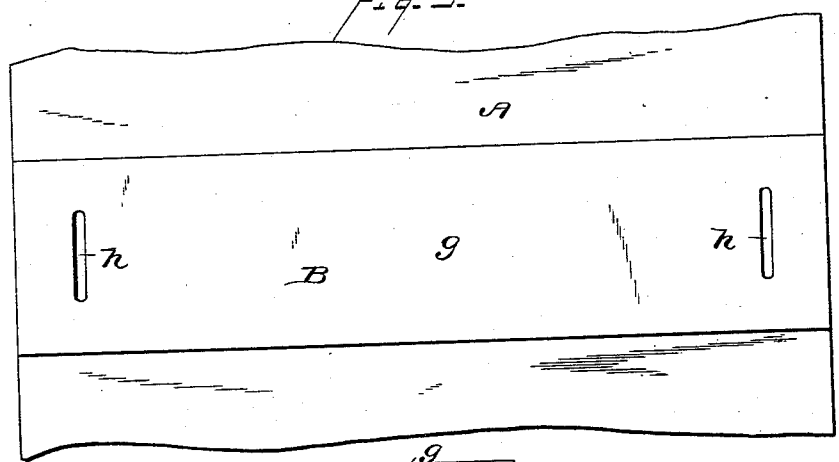
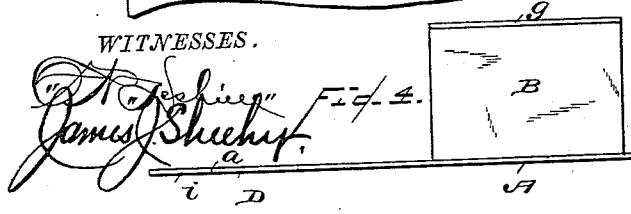


Fig. 4.



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EGG SAFETY SHIPPING-PACKAGE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH ADAMS, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Egg Safety Shipping-Packages; and I do 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.

This invention relates to cell-cases, or cases for shipping eggs and the like, and the improvements will be fully understood from the following description and claim when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one of my cases in a position to contain eggs. Fig. 2 is a similar view with one of the flaps open. Fig. 3 is a detail plan view, and Fig. 4 is an end view.

In carrying out my invention I take a sheet of pasteboard, A, or other suitable material, preferably of elongated rectangular form, and slit each corner diagonally, as indicated at *a*. I then employ a strip, B, of similar material, and bend or crease the same rectangular at equidistances to form cells *b* for the eggs to be placed therein. It will thus be seen that this strip has its cells open alternately along its length, as indicated at *d* and *e*. When the strip has been thus creased or bent, I place it centrally and lengthwise upon the rectangular sheet A, and cement the same thereto at the points *f*, as more fully shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings, and pass the end *g* over the top of the cells to form the top wall of the cells. Each end cell is provided in its outer wall, *g*, with an elongated slot, *h*, which is designed to receive the dovetail tongues *i*, formed by the diagonal slits in the outer flaps. The main strip A is also creased longitudinally, as indicated at *k k*, so that when turned upwardly at these points they will form the inclosing side walls for the cells, the end D of the blank forming the top and locking strips for the said chambers. It will thus be seen that I can make the case with any desired number of cells, and the cells may be of any desired size. It will also be seen that such devices may be placed in a barrel, box, or any main receptacle or shipping-case without reference to its particular size or form.

In using the device one of the flaps may be turned up and its dovetail tongues let into the slots in the walls of the end cells, as more fully shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The eggs may then be placed in the cells, after which the other flap is turned up to close the remaining open end of the cells, and its tongues let into the slots, as before described, when the package filled with eggs is ready to be packed and safely transported in a barrel, box, or other shipping-case.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

As an improved article of manufacture, an egg-holder consisting of a main sheet of pasteboard or the like, having its corners slitted diagonally to form dovetail locking-tongues, and a strip bent in rectangular form and secured to the main strip so as to form egg-cells, the two end cells having slots to receive the locking-tongues and the said slotted ends turned up against the cells, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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