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Fig. 1.

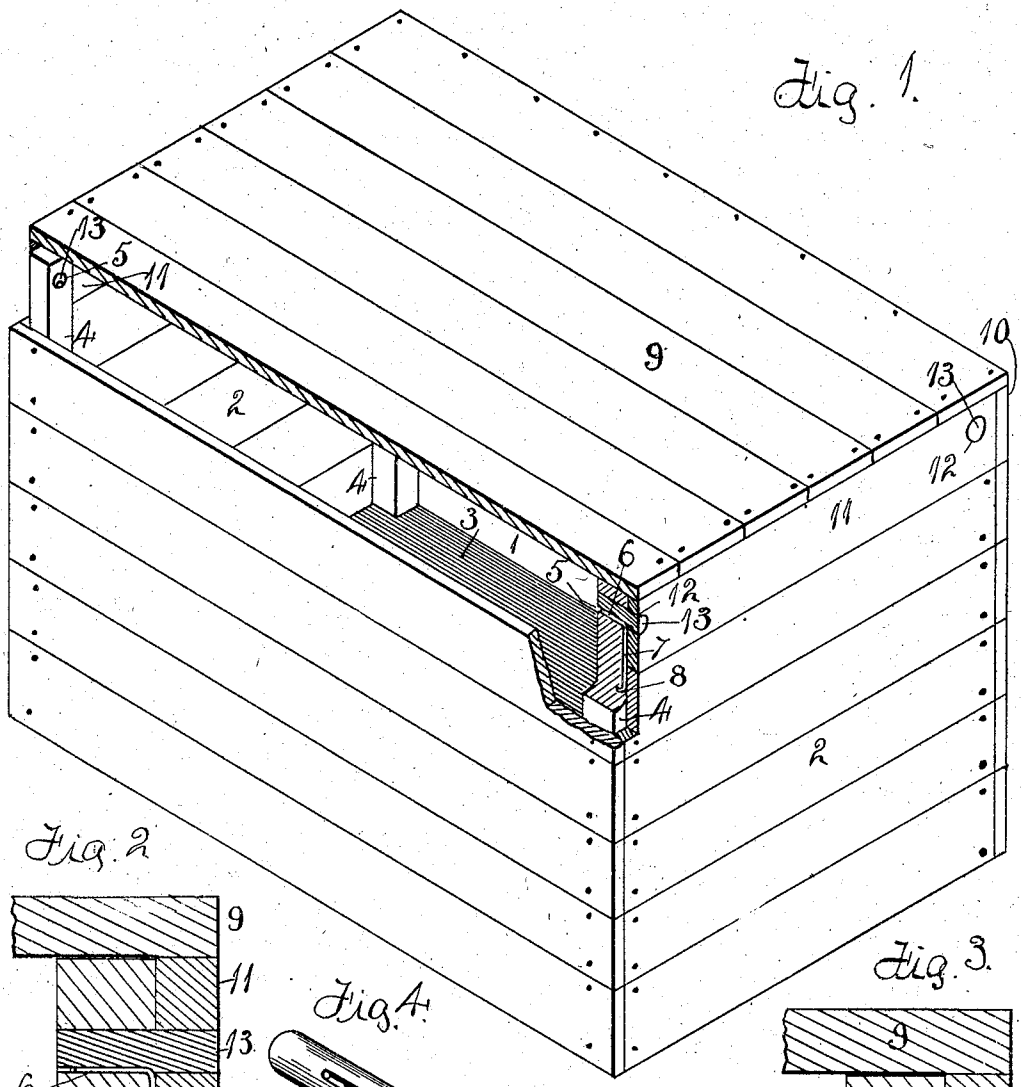


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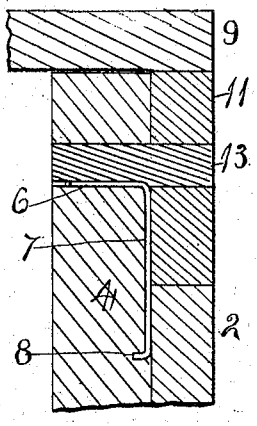


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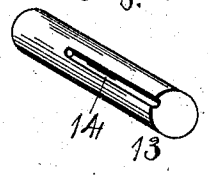


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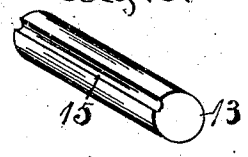
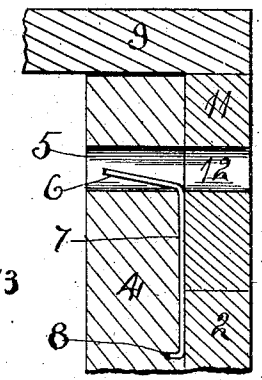


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, ARLIN E. MAGEE and PERCY F. MAGEE, citizens of the United States, residing at Janesville, in the county of Rock and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Tobacco-Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this improvement is to construct a tobacco-shipping case which can be readily taken apart and put together without mutilating the boards of which it is composed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an isometrical representation of our improved tobacco-case in which portions are shown in section. Fig. 2 is a section of one corner in which the pin connecting the parts of the box is in place. Fig. 3 is a section of one corner in which the pin is removed. Fig. 4 is an isometrical representation of a pin as it appears when holding a corner of the box together. Fig. 5 is an isometrical representation of a pin after it has been driven into the box to liberate the sections of the box.

The main portion of the box is composed of the sides 1, ends 2, and bottom 3 nailed together. In the corners of the main portion are secured posts 4. Each post has a transverse hole 5. A wire has a portion 6 located in a hole of a post, a portion 7 extending lengthwise of the post, and a prong 8 entering the post. The end boards of the main portion of the box overlie the portion 7 of the wire and prevent its displacement.

The cover of the box is composed of the top boards 9, edge boards 10, and end boards 11 nailed together. Each end board of the cover has two holes 12. When the cover is placed over the projecting ends of the posts, the holes 12 coincide with the holes in the posts.

A pin 13 is driven into one of the holes of the cover and into a corresponding hole in a post. As the section 6 of the wire is located in the hole in the posts and stands in the position shown at Fig. 3 when free, the pin in being driven in will depress this section of the wire, which will make a groove 14 in the pin, as shown at Fig. 4. This wire exerts sufficient pressure against the pin to prevent it accidentally withdrawing or falling out, and it cannot work in, as considerable force is required to drive it into its place. When it is desired to take the cover off the box, the pins are driven into the box, which will force a groove 15 the full length of the pin, as shown at Fig. 5. In driving the pin in again it is partially turned, so that a new groove will be formed in it.

In handling tobacco it is sometimes sampled as often as three or four times—that is, the cover removed and the tobacco examined—and by our improved means of connecting the cover with the main portion of the box the box can be opened as many times as is necessary without mutilating the boards comprising the box.

We claim as our invention—

1. A tobacco-case composed of main and cover sections, corner-posts extending above the main section and each provided with a transverse hole, the cover-section having holes coinciding with the holes in the posts, a wire for each post having a portion located in the holes thereof, and pins driven into the holes and held in place by the wires.

2. A tobacco-case composed of main and cover sections, corner-posts extending above the main section and each provided with a transverse hole, the cover-section having holes coinciding with the holes in the posts, a wire for each post having a portion located in the holes and a portion embedded in the post and pins driven into the holes and held in place by the wires.

3. A tobacco-case composed of main and cover sections, corner-posts extending above the main portion and each provided with a transverse hole, the cover-section having holes coinciding with the holes in the posts, a wire for each post having a portion located in the holes and a portion held between the post and the boards of the main section and pins driven into the holes and held in place by the wires.

4. A tobacco-case composed of main and

cover sections, corner-posts extending above the main portion and each provided with a transverse hole, the cover-section having holes coinciding with the holes in the posts, a wire for each post having a portion located in the holes, a portion held between the post and the heads of the main section and having a portion embedded in the post, and a pin driven into the holes and held in place by the wires.

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