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SCALE COVER.

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Fig. 1.

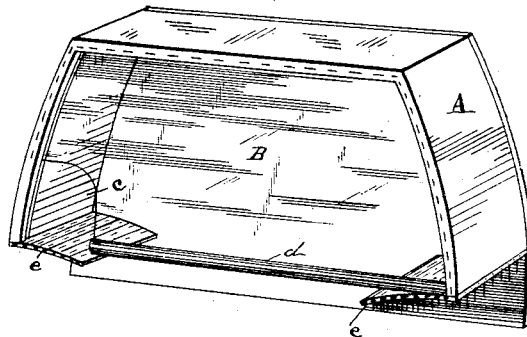
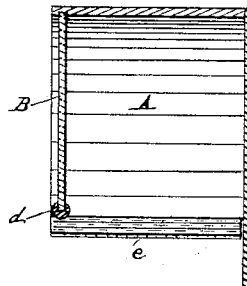


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELODIE TOUTANT, a resident of the city of New Orleans, parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Scale-Covers; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and correct description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification.

This invention has for its object to provide means for inclosing scales so as to exclude air-currents therefrom, whereby greater accuracy is insured in weighing precious metals, jewels, and other articles; and it consists in a cover or case constructed as hereinafter particularly described, and then sought to be specifically defined by the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective of the scale-cover, and Fig. 2 a cross-section.

The letter A indicates a case of any suitable material, made with closed ends and top and one side, the front side being open except when closed by the glass or other transparent front or slide B. This slide fits into grooves formed around the edge of the case, and can be slid in and out of the same, so that it can be readily removed when necessary for any purpose, and also replaced if from any cause it should become broken. To the lower edge of the slide there is secured a bead, *d*, having preferably an elastic or flexible face, so that when resting on a stand or table it will fit close thereto and exclude air-currents from between it and the stand. Near one end of the slide and at or near its lower edge, so as to be

away from the scales, there is formed an opening, *c*, for the insertion of the hand when any article is to be placed on or removed from the scale. In order to further exclude air-currents from the scale, elastic flaps or cushions *e* are attached to the base or lower edges of the case, as shown, so that when the case is set down on its stand these cushions will make a close joint between the stand and cover.

The lower edges of the cover may all be on the same plane or level, so as to rest upon the platform of the scales or upon the table upon which the scales rest; or one side may be made longer than the others, as illustrated in the drawings, so that while three edges will rest on the platform the fourth will fit down over the edge thereof, so as to steady the cover and prevent its easy overturning. Wherever the edges rest upon the platform the joint between the platform or stand and cover should be close enough to prevent the passage of air-currents between them.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

The scale-cover consisting of the case A, having end flaps, *e*, in combination with a removable transparent front, C, having an opening, *c*, formed therein near one end, and provided with a bead, *d*, along its lower edge, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name.

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