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Fig. 1.

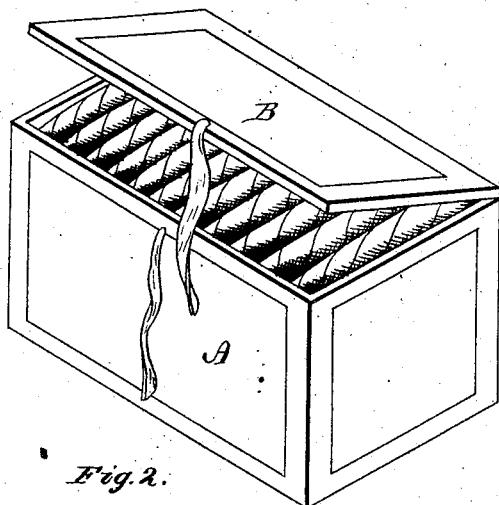
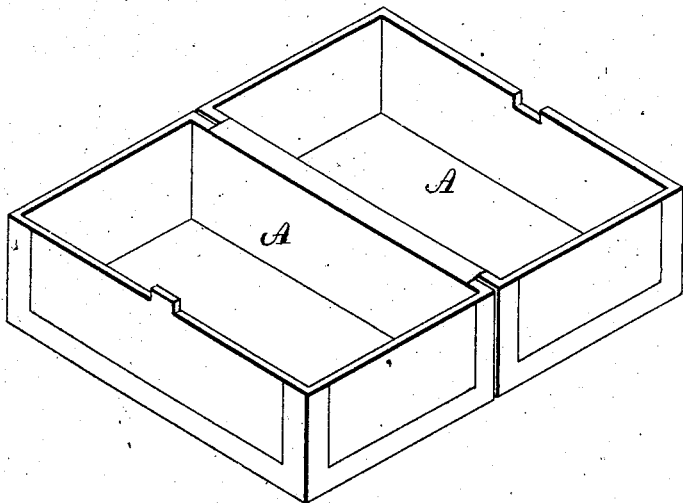


Fig. 2.



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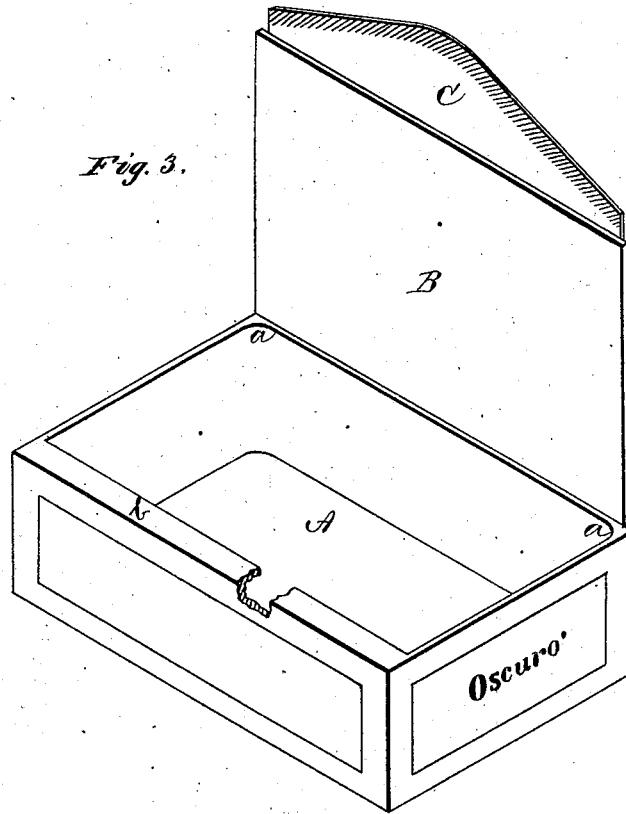


Fig. 3.

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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER CIGAR-BOXES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE A. BEIDLER, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Cigar-Boxes; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in a rectangular cigar-box stamped, molded, or otherwise formed of pulp; also, in providing the lid of such cigar-box with one or more paper flaps, having mucilage or other adhesive substance placed thereon for fastening the lid to the box; and, further, in providing the box with an inwardly-projecting flange along the upper front edge, for the purpose of strengthening the box and supporting the lid when put down, all as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of a cigar-box made of pulp. Fig. 2 shows a pulp cigar-box made in two halves; and Fig. 3 shows a pulp cigar-box with lid having a flap, and the box with the inwardly-projecting flange.

The pulp to be used in the manufacture of my cigar-boxes may be made either of paper, straw, hemp, wood, rags, or sawdust, or any or all of these materials combined, or any other material which can be manufactured while in a pulp state for such purposes.

The pulp, after being properly prepared, is stamped, molded, or otherwise formed into a rectangular box, A, of any suitable dimensions to contain the desired number of cigars. The bottom of the box may be formed with the body all in one piece, or separate by itself, and fastened in the body by compression or

otherwise, as desired. B represents the lid of the box, which lid may be made of wood, pasteboard, or other suitable material, and hinged to one side of the box. The lid B is, along its outer edge, provided with a paper flap, C, which has mucilage or other adhesive material along its edges for fastening the lid to the box. If desired, the lid may be fastened by strings, in the usual manner for cigar-boxes.

For the purpose of strengthening the cigar-box I form the corners rounded on the inside, as shown at *a* in Fig. 3, and I also may form it with an inwardly-projecting flange, *b*, along the upper front edge.

The size of my cigar-box is, of course, immaterial; but it must be made so as to contain the desired number of cigars, and it may be made in two equal parts, as shown in Fig. 2, or, in other words, two smaller boxes put together to form one.

By having a paper-pulp or pasteboard lid and body to the box, the United States revenue-stamp required by law can be easily printed upon either the lid or body of the same, so that the box cannot be used a second time after the stamp thereon printed has been punctured or otherwise properly canceled.

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

1. A cigar-box made of pulp, in rectangular form, and having interior rounded corners *a a* for strengthening the same, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the pulp cigar-box A, lid B, and one or more paper flaps, C, having mucilage or other adhesive substance thereon, for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 24th day of February, 1874.

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