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Show-Boxes.

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Fig: 1.

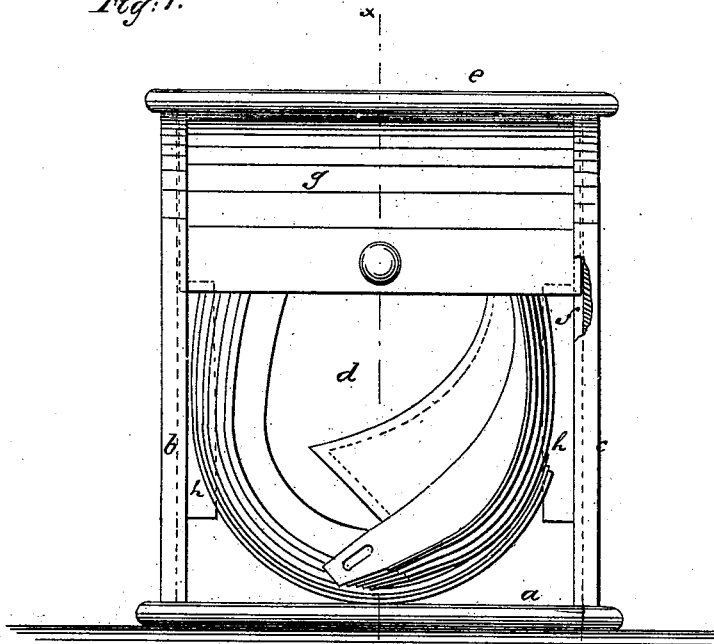
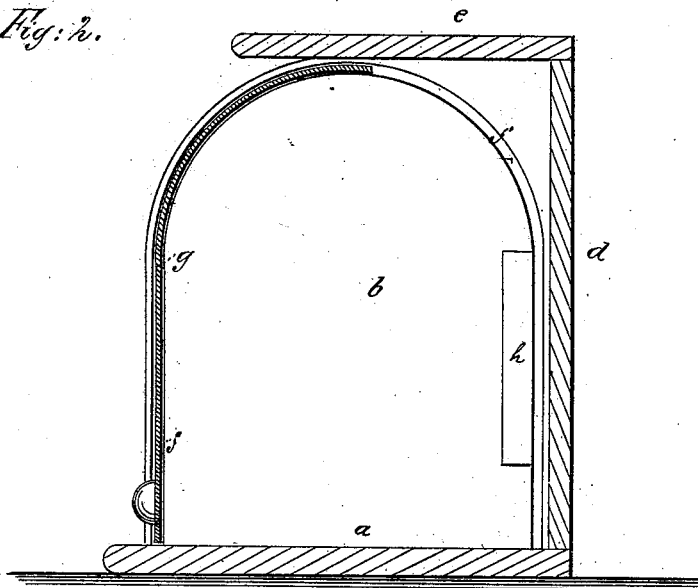


Fig: 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN SHOW-BOXES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SOLOMON ZEMANSKY, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Box or Package, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to furnish a box of ornamental and convenient character adapted for holding or displaying small articles of sale, and forming a convenient package for sale, and of itself an article of ornament.

My invention consists in a box or package, having flat sides and a curved top, and having its front and a portion of its top, or its top and a portion of one side, formed of one piece of thin wood fitted loosely in grooves in the ends of the box, so that the box may be opened by sliding the loose part in its grooves. The thin material of the slide conforms to the straight or curved portions of the grooves, and when open the sliding cover is out of the way.

This box is adapted for packing collars in a convenient shape for sale, and may be used for other articles.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my box, partially open. Fig. 2 is a vertical section on the line *x x* of Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

*a* is the bottom of the box. *b* I will call one end; *c*, the other end, and *d* the back. These parts are firmly attached together. The top of each end *b c* is mounted on the front and back, or on the front only, as shown. I have shown the back part carried up square, and a cap, *e*, placed upon the top, to strengthen the box and impart a more finished appearance. On the inside of each end *b c*, near their edge, is cut a groove, *f*, that extends from the bottom *a* at the front along the edge of each end *b* or

*c* to the bottom *a* at the back, following the straight and curved shape at the ends and passing in front of back *d*. In the grooves *f* is a piece, *g*, of thin veneer, fitting loosely enough to slide in said grooves, and extending in the box shown from the bottom to the middle of the curved part of the groove at the top, so that when drawn down, as in Fig. 2, the piece *g* forms the front and curved top of the box. In case the cap *e* is not used the piece *g* will form the complete curved top and extend to the upper edge of the straight back. When the piece *g* is raised, as in Fig. 1, it will conform to the shape of groove *f* and slide down in front of the back *d*, out of the way.

*h* are cleats attached to the sides *b c*, at the rear of the box parallel and close to the front edge of the groove *f*, to prevent the sliding front from coming in contact with the collars when it is slid back to open the box.

The construction described furnishes a convenient box or package, having a neat and ornamental appearance, being of itself an article of ornament, which can be used as a box for collars or cuffs, for display or sale, and is adapted for other small articles usually put up in ornamental packages for sale unbroken.

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

The herein-described collar-box consisting of the bottom *a*, the sides *b c*, provided with grooves *f* and cleats *h*, the back *d*, the cap *e*, and the sliding part *g*, composed of this elastic material adapted to slide in the grooves of the sides, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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