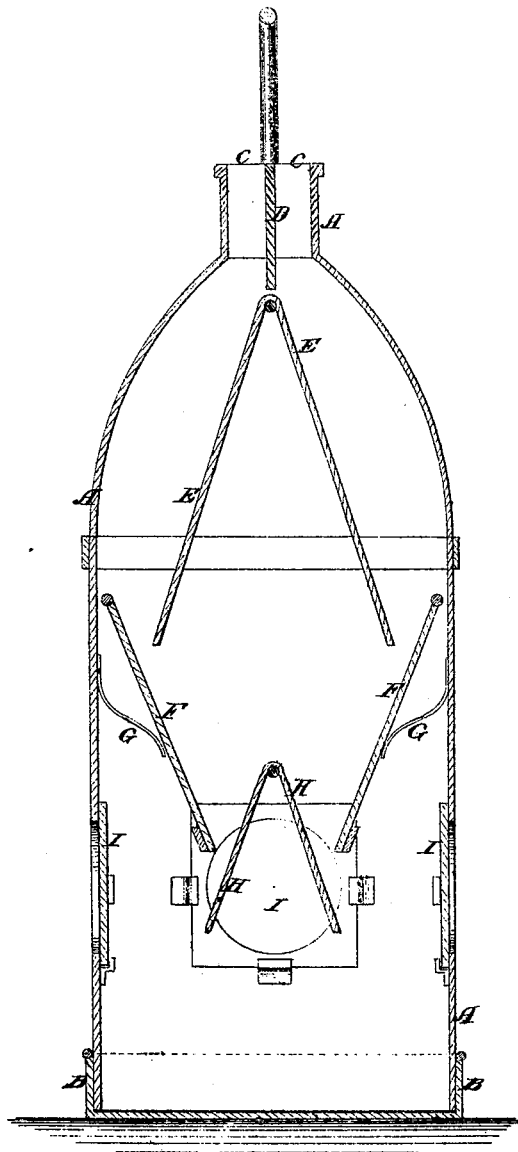


A. Bradley,

Fare Box.

No. 110,428.

Patented. Dec. 27. 1870.



Witnesses:

P. C. Dietrich
L. S. Mabee

Inventor:

Alfred Bradley
PER *Wm. H. C.*
Attorneys.

United States Patent Office.

ALFRED BRADLEY, OF NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, ASSIGNOR TO HIMSELF
AND W. L. CUSHING, OF SAME PLACE.

Letters Patent No. 110,423, dated December 27, 1870.

IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE FARE-BOXES.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED BRADLEY, of New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Portable Fare-Box; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification, in which—

The figure is a detail sectional view of my improved fare-box.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved fare-box for the conductor or collector to carry around when collecting fares, and which shall be so constructed that the fare cannot be extracted or removed by any one but the person having the key of the box; and

It consists in the construction and combination of the various guards and leaves or plates with each other and with the case of the box, as hereinafter more fully described.

A is the outer case or shell of the fare-box, the particular form or size of which is immaterial, and may be varied as may be desired.

The lower part or bottom B of the box A is hinged at one side, and provided at the other side with a hasp and staple to receive the lock and seal.

In the top of the box A is formed a slit, C, through which the passenger drops the exact fare when the box is presented to him by the conductor or collector, so that the said conductor or collector need never touch the money.

The slit C is divided longitudinally by a partition, D, to cause the fare to pass down at one or the other side of the box.

E is an angular or V-shaped guard, which is pivoted at its angle directly below, close to, and in line with the lower edge of the partition D, so that the fare, as it is dropped into the box, may slide down one or the other of the sides of the guard E.

F are leaves or plates, which are pivoted at their upper edges to the sides of the box A, above the lower edges of the guard E, and parallel with said guard.

The leaves or plates are held forward in inclined positions by the springs G, attached to the sides of the box A, and pressing against the outer sides of said leaves or plates F.

H is an angular or V-shaped guard, similar to the guard E, and pivoted at its angle to the sides of the box A, directly beneath the said guard E, above the lower edges of the plates or leaves F, and parallel with the said leaves or plates F and guard E.

By this construction the fare, when dropped into the slit C, will slide down one or the other of the slides of the guard E, down one or the other of the plates or leaves F, and down one or the other of the sides of the guard H into the lower part of the box A.

If the box should be turned to either side, the guards E and H drop against the plate or leaf F upon that side, and thus prevent the possibility of getting the fares back to the slit C after they have once reached the lower part of the box.

The said guards and plates E F H also effectually prevent the fare from being extracted by the use of instruments.

In openings in the lower parts of the sides of the box A are inserted glass plates I, through which the fares may be seen as they pass to the lower part of the fare-box.

Having thus described my invention,

I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The double pivoted angular guards E H, and spring-plates or leaves F G, in combination with each other and with the box or case A, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

ALFRED BRADLEY.

Witnesses:

R. D. BLOSSMAN, Jr.,
JNO. S. MOORE.