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*Egg Carrier.*

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Fig. 1.

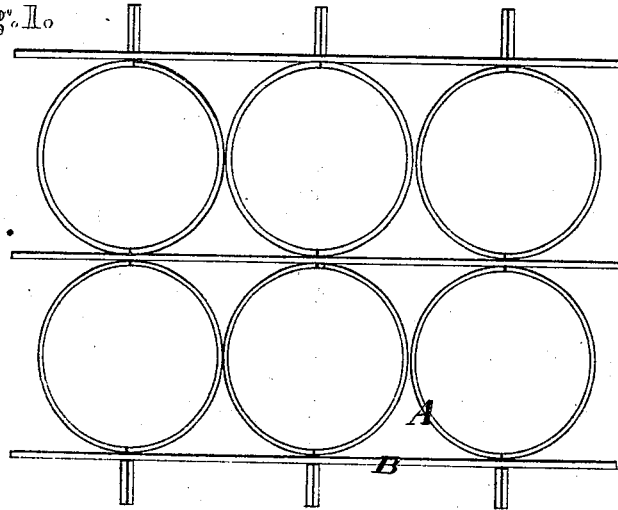


Fig. 2.

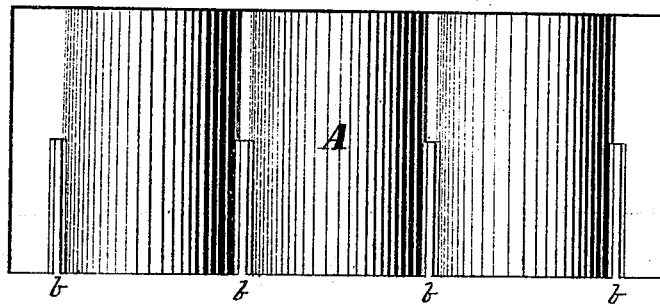
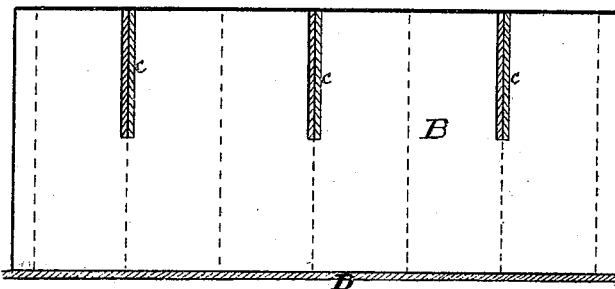


Fig. 3.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN DEVICES FOR TRANSPORTING EGGS.

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, ABNER H. BRYANT, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Egg-Carriers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawing is a top view of my invention.

Figure 2 is a view of the strip A, after bending or fluting the same.

Figure 3 is a vertical section.

My invention relates to means for facilitating the transportation of eggs, and consists in the construction of separate compartments therefor by joining perpendicularly-fluted strips of pasteboard or other material, these strips being held together and in place by means of transverse strips, which serve also to form an extra packing between the pockets.

The letter A of the drawing represents one of the longitudinal strips fluted, as shown, and slit for half its width, at regular intervals on the upper side, at the points *b b*.

The letter B of the drawing designates the transverse binding strip, slit for half its width, at regular intervals on the lower side, at the points *c c*, the points being sufficiently distant to prevent the walls of any two compartments from touching each other laterally when distended by the eggs therein contained.

The strips A A are brought together longitudinally

in such a manner that they shall form rows of circular pockets, and the strips B B are placed transversely between the pockets, securing the longitudinal strips together and fixing the position of the rows with respect to each other.

Several such layers of pockets or compartments may be placed one above the other in a box or basket, the layers being separated by flat sheets, D, of pasteboard or other material.

Eggs packed in hampers or boxes provided with compartments are not liable to injury from concussion.

The eggs in each longitudinal row are separated by three thicknesses of pasteboard, so arranged as to maintain considerable elasticity, while the pockets of the cross-rows, between the transverse pieces B, are prevented from coming in contact thereby, an airspace, *z*, being formed between them.

Such layers of pockets are easily and cheaply manufactured, and are designed to serve useful purposes in the packing and transportation of eggs.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The pockets for egg-carriers, herein described, formed by the strips A A, slit at *b*, the transverse strips B, slit at *c*, and the partition-sheet D, as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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