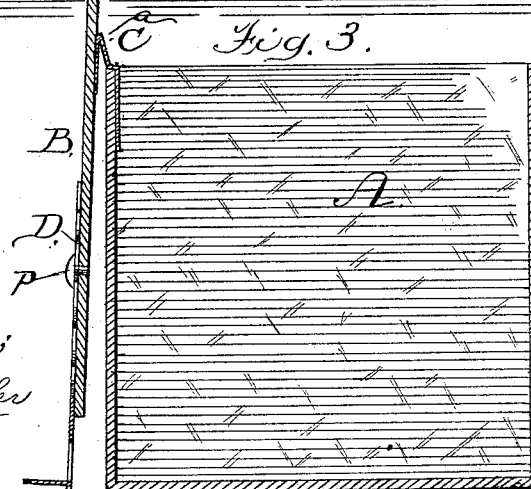
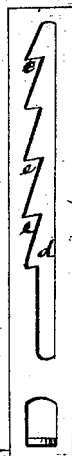
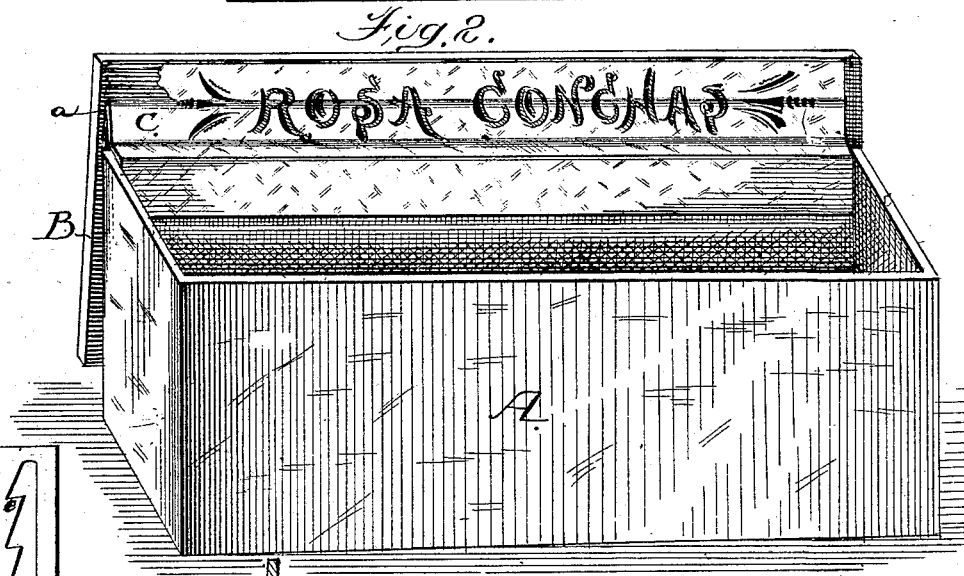
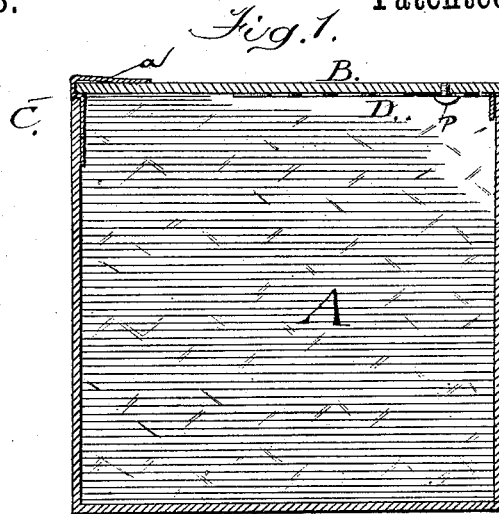


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK MCWINNIE, of Omaha, Nebraska, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Boxes for Holding Cigars and other Similar Articles, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a vertical cross-section of a cigar-box with my improvements attached. Fig. 2 is a view of the box open. Fig. 3 is a vertical section on *xx* of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 represents the sliding support for the top.

My invention relates to boxes in which cigars and other articles are exposed for sale and exhibition; and it consists of a combination of devices hereinafter explained and claimed.

In cigar-boxes as at present manufactured the brand is shown on the top of the box, and when the top of the box is thrown back the brand is necessarily hidden from view. To overcome this difficulty is the object of my present invention.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the exact manner in which I have carried it out.

In the drawings, A represents the body of the box, and B the top. The folding hinge C is so constructed and applied that when the top is folded back, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, a portion of the top is allowed to extend above the box, displaying the hinge, on which is stamped or printed the brand of the cigar. This hinge is made of paper or any suitable material adapted to fold when the box is closed, and on which may be printed, stamped, or written the brand of the cigar. A portion of the hinge is secured to the upper face of the box, at *a*, about half an inch from its rear edge, and then

continues loose for about three-fourths of an inch, when it is secured to the inside of the box. It is evident from this construction that the top in the act of closing will fold upon the hinge, so as to fit the opening of the box, and when open will expose the entire loose inside surface of the hinge to view, and consequently the name and brand of the cigars printed thereon. In Fig. 2 the name appears printed on a strip of paper covering the hinge and a portion of the cover. On the front edge of the under face of the top is secured an adjustable slide, D, by which the top, when thrown back, is forced upward, so as to expose to view the inside loose surface of the folding hinge and the brand of the cigar. The slide D is provided with a longitudinal slot, *d*, along one side of which are teeth *ee*, and a headed pin, P, passes through the slot *d* to hold the slide to the top of the box, and in various positions of extension the shank of the pin rests on the teeth *ee*. This adjustable slide may be made sufficiently long to tilt the rear of the box, and thus give a better view of the goods.

I am aware that a folding hinge is not new, nor do I claim such, broadly, as my invention.

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

The box A and top B, in combination with the folding hinge C, attached to the inside of the back of the box and to the top on a line removed from the edge of the top, whereby the top is adapted to extend above the box and expose the inner loose surface of the hinge, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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