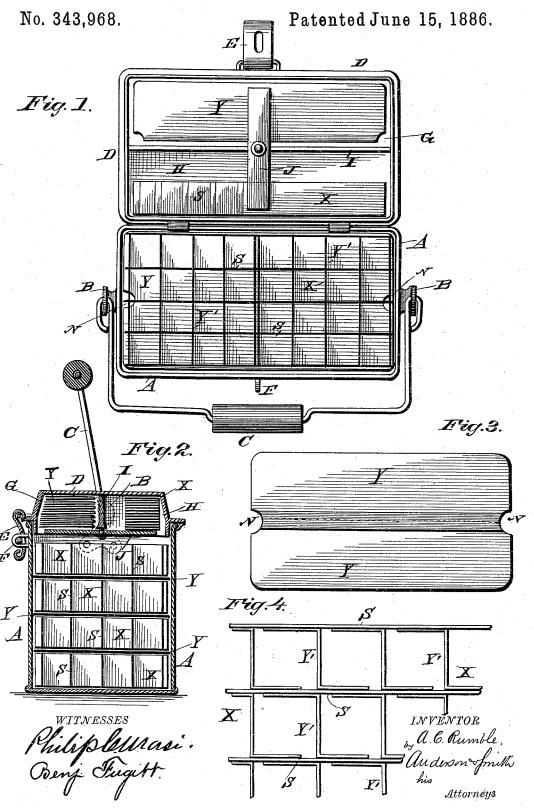
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EGG CARRIER.



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EGG-CARRIER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, A. CARSON RUMBLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lima, in the county of Allen and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Egg-Carriers; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a plan view 15 with the lid thrown back or open. Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse section. Fig. 3 is a plan view of one of the division boards; and Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail view of a portion

of the filler.

This invention relates to egg-carriers especially adapted for farmers' use in taking eggs to market; and it consists in the construction and novel combination of parts, as hereinafter set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Referring by letter to the accompanying drawings, A designates the body of the egg-carrier, which is rectangular in outline and of any convenient size. Said body A is provided with ears B B at the middle line of its ends, at the upper edges thereof, into which the ends of a bail, C, are hooked to make provision for conveniently carrying the egg-carrier to and from market.

D designates the hinged lid of the egg carrier, which is provided at its front side with a hinged hasp, E, which, when the lid is closed, engages a staple, F, at the front side of the body of the carrier, near the upper edge thereof, so that a padlock may be employed to securely lock the egg carrier, if desired. The hinged lid D is made deep enough to contain several of the folded fillers X and several of the folded separating sheets or division-45 boards Y. The lid D is separated into two

compartments, G and H, one for the folded fillers X and one for the folded division-boards Y, the number of said fillers and divisionboards being sufficient to fill the body of the

egg carrier when said fillers and division- 50 boards are unfolded and expanded within the body of the carrier.

The partition I in the hinged lid is provided with a button, J, which button may be turned transversely of the lid to hold the folded fillers and folded division-boards in place therein, and may also be turned longitudinally of the lid, to permit the removal of said folded fillers and division-boards when it is desired to use them in the body of the egg-carrier.

The folding fillers X are composed of a sufficient number of parallel strips, S, of paper-board, connected by transversely creased short strips Y', the latter of which, when unfolded, are nearly of the form of the letter Z, the stem of the letter being vertical, however, (thus L,) instead of diagonal or inclined, when the fillers are expanded or opened to their fullest extent.

The folding division-boards Y are provided 70 at each end on the line of the crease or fold with a notch, N, for convenience in placing them in the body of the carrier, and also to permit their ready removal from the body of the carrier when necessary.

I sometimes re-enforce the crease of the division-boards by a strip of muslin or the like, which will greatly prolong the usefulness of said division-boards.

To pack the carrier ready for taking it to 80 market, one of the fillers is first expanded or opened and placed on the bottom of the body of the carrier. The cells of the filler are then filled with eggs, and a separating-board is placed on the filler and a second filler with eggs. 85 Other fillers are then placed in the body of the carrier and supplied with eggs, and the packing is continued until the carrier has been completely filled, when the lid is closed down and locked, and the carrier is then ready to be 90 taken to market or from the market to the place where the eggs are to be disposed of or consumed.

The egg-carrier may be made of wood, tin, or other material sufficiently strong to sub- 95 serve the purposes for which the carrier is intended.

Having described this invention, what I

claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent,

1. The combination, with the body of the egg-carrier, of the deep hinged lid provided 5 with the partition having the button pivoted thereto, substantially as specified.

2. The folding fillers composed of the parallel strips, connected by the shorter **L**-shape strips, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in 10 presence of two witnesses.

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