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Cigar Box.

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Fig. 1.

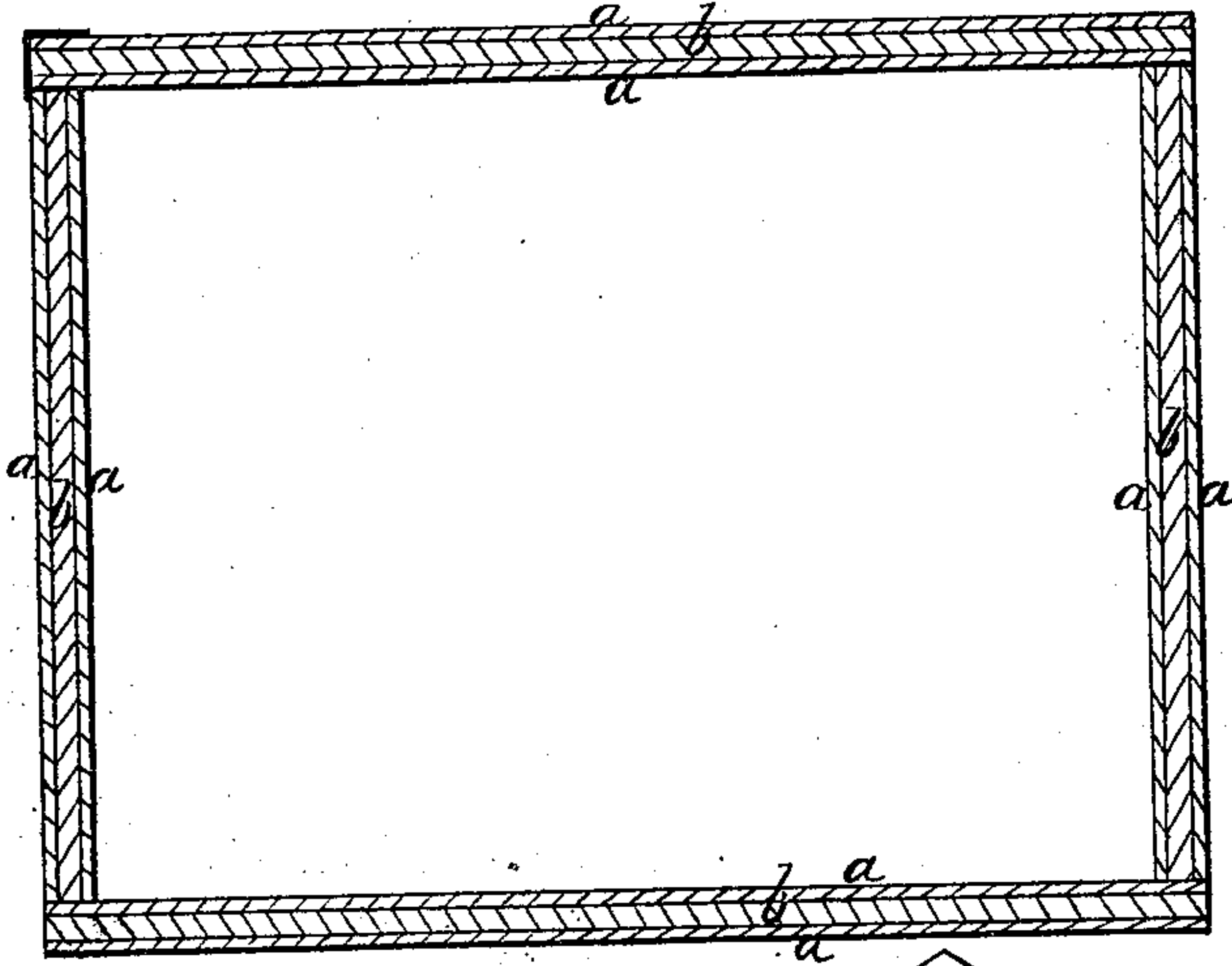
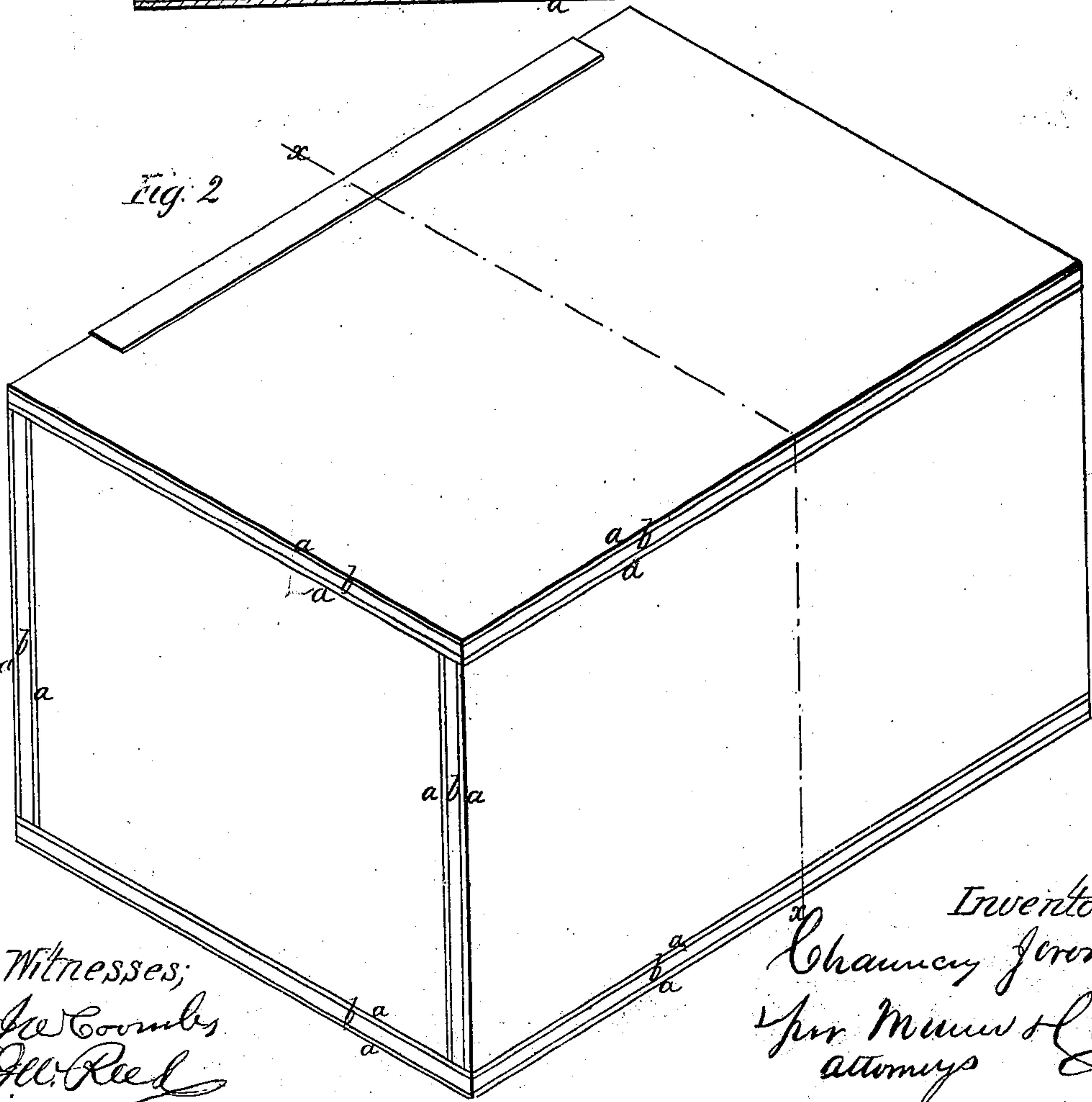


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVED CIGAR-BOX.

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, CHAUNCEY JEROME, of New Haven, in the county of New Haven, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Construction of Cigar-Boxes; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making a part of the specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a transverse section of my invention, taken in the line *x x* fig. 2.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the two figures.

This invention consists in constructing a cigar-box with two veneered surfaces, the space between being filled with any common wood.

The object of the invention is to obtain a cigar-box which will have an exterior and interior surface of cedar, and possess all the advantages of the ordinary cigar-boxes, and be capable of being manufactured at a much less expense.

Cedar, Spanish cedar as it is commonly termed, is preferred to any other for constructing cigar-boxes. This wood imparts a peculiar flavor to the cigars, and it is employed for home-made, as well as imported boxes. It is comparatively expensive, but as the trade demand it, it is necessarily employed in all cases, except for a very inferior article of cigars.

To enable those skilled in the art to fully understand and construct my invention, I will proceed to describe it.

The box I construct in the usual form, and of slabs A formed of three parts, *a a b*. The parts *a a* form the two outer surfaces of the slabs, and are thin veneers cut in the ordinary way.

The central part *b* is considerably thicker than the parts *a a*, so as to give the slabs the requisite thickness to render the box strong and durable, and capable of holding the nails by which the parts of the box are held together. The veneers *a a* are secured by glue to the central part *b*.

The veneers *a a* will impart a flavor to the cigars as usual, while the central part *b* will give great strength to the box, as the slabs will be much thicker than those which are entirely of cedar. These entire cedar slabs are cut as thin as they can be, and possess sufficient thickness to hold a nail, and they are very liable to spread apart. The paper which is pasted over the corners or angles of the box is depended upon as much as the nails to hold the box together.

By my invention, the slabs may be made quite thick at a small expense, for the cedar veneers *a a* being quite thin, a small amount of timber will go a great way, while the central part *b* may be made quite thick at a trifling expense, as any common wood may be used.

I do not claim broadly a veneered box, for fancy work-boxes and such articles have been constructed with a veneered external surface,

But I do claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent as an improved article of manufacture—

A cigar-box composed of slabs consisting of an exterior and interior veneered surface *a a* of Spanish cedar, with an ordinary common filling or central part *b* of light wood between, to which the veneers are attached, as herein set forth.

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