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Blueing Box.

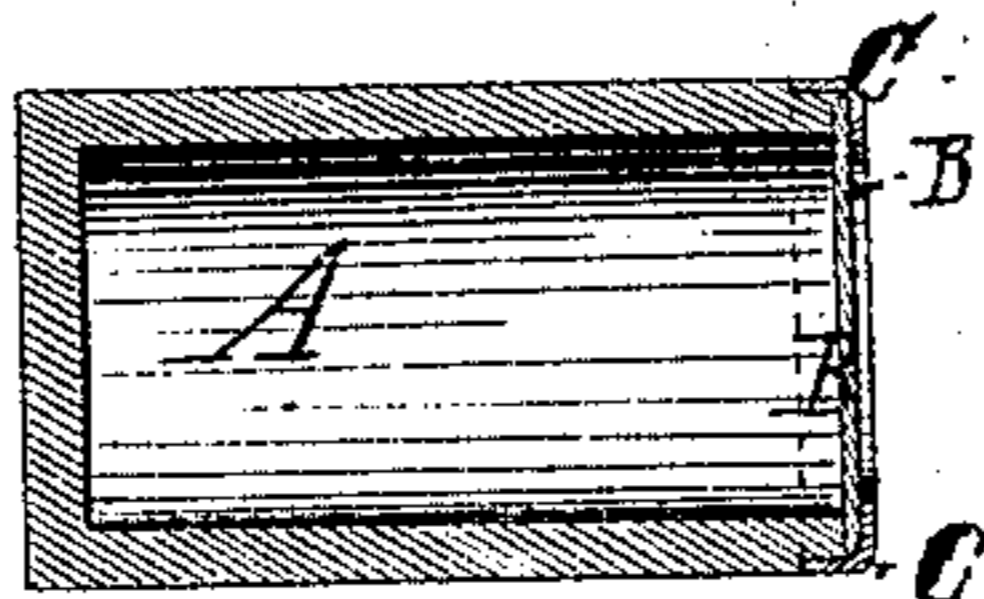
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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BOXES FOR BLUING, &c.

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, ANDREW F. PICKENS, of New York, in the county of New York, and in the State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Boxes for Bluing-Powder, &c.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the annexed drawing making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side view of my improvement, and

Figure 2, a central vertical section thereof.

My invention relates to boxes in which bluing-powder, pulverized spices, and the like, are put up for the trade, the same box to serve as a dredge-box when adapted to family use; and

It consists in providing a circular-bored wooden box, having a perforable covering at one end, with suitable metallic flanged band for holding said covering and protecting it from wear and breakage, as will more fully appear hereafter.

A, in the drawing, represents a box made by boring partially through from end to end of a cylindrical block of wood, leaving one end solid to serve as a bottom.

The covering B of the open end is formed of a piece of card-board, foil, or other suitable easily perforated

material, cut in a form and size equal and similar to the end of the box.

A metallic band, C, tightly fitted around the top of the box, which is recessed to receive it, having a flange, C', extending over the end thereof, protects the edges from injury, and holds, by means of said flange, the cover firmly in position.

When required for use, the paper or board cover is punctured with a pin, and the bluing or other powder shaken out as from a dredge-box. The outside cylindrical surface is wrapped with proper labels, as shown.

A box constructed as above described, with a flanged band, is much better than one with simply a covering of foil overlapping and pasted to the sides, as such foil, in order to be readily punctured, must be so thin as to easily become broken around the edges, and allow the powder to escape.

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

A box for bluing and spice-powders, having a perforable cover at one end, and provided with a metallic flanged band for holding said cover in place, as described.

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