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CRACKER BOX COVER.

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Fig. 1

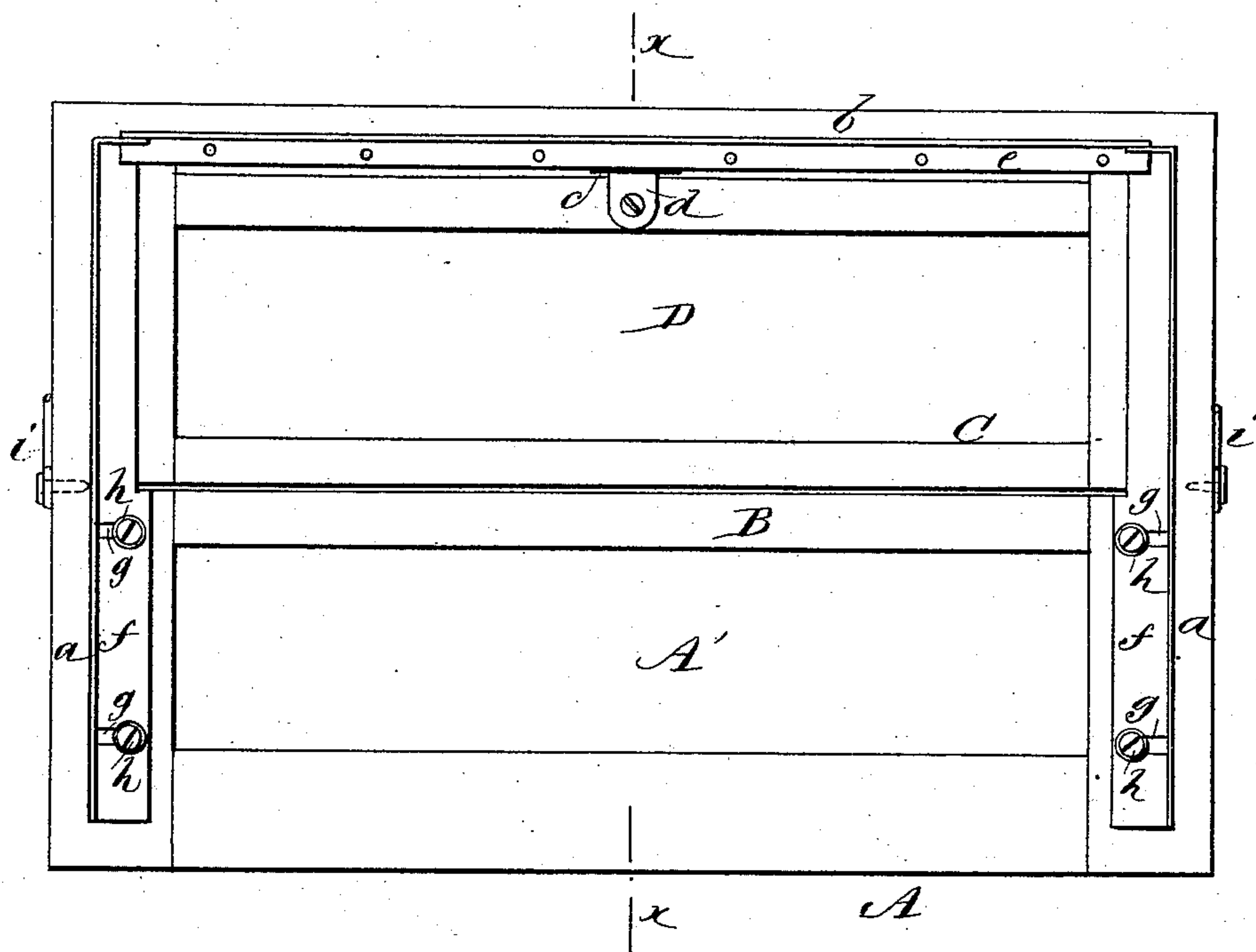
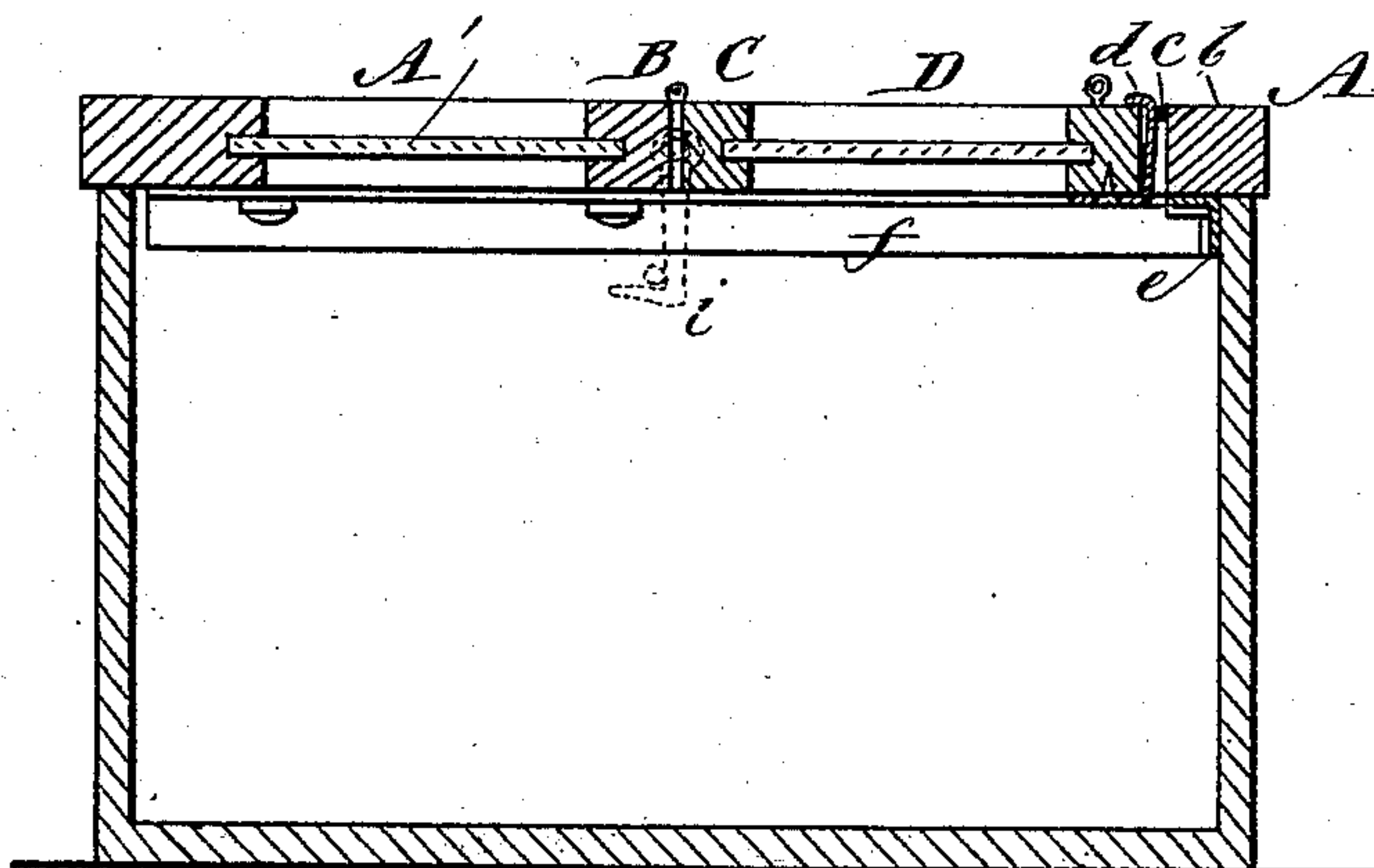


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CARL GUSTAF SANDBERG, of Helena, in the county of Phillips and State of Arkansas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cracker-Box Covers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the annexed drawings, forming a part thereof, in which—

Figure 1 is an inverted plan view of my improved cracker-box cover. Fig. 2 is a transverse section taken on line *x x* in Fig. 1.

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

The object of my invention is to provide for boxes for containing crackers and other similar articles a cover which may be readily applied to and removed from the box, and which may be adjusted to fit boxes of different sizes.

My invention consists of a frame provided with a glass panel and glass door, with adjustable angled plates for receiving the top of the box, and in a combined spring buffer and fastener applied to the door for preventing the glass from being broken, and for holding the door in a closed position.

The frame A of the box-cover is provided with a central longitudinal bar, B, and is grooved in its inner edges for receiving the glass A'. The end pieces, *a*, are cut away at one side of the bar B, and to the bar B is hinged a door, C, which fits into the space between the end bars, *a*, the central bar, B, and the side bar, *b*. The door consists of a rectangular frame grooved around its inner edges for receiving the glass D. In the inner edge of the bar *b* is inserted a wire staple, *e*, and to the inner surface of the door is secured a flat spring, *d*, which is bent around the edge of the door and made convex, so that when the door is closed the spring *d* will be brought into engagement with the staple *e*. The spring *d* serves the double purpose of a buffer for preventing the door from being closed with sufficient force to break the glass, and of a fastener for preventing the door from being readily opened. The door C is provided

with a screw-eye, by which it may be readily opened.

To the under side of the frame A, along one edge thereof, is secured an angled plate, *e*, and to the ends of the frame A, upon the under side thereof, are secured angled plates *f*, in which are formed slots *g*, for receiving the clamping screws *h*. By loosening the clamping-screws the angled plates *f* may be moved in and out to adapt the distance between them to the length of the box to which the cover is applied.

The ends of the frame A are provided with hooks *i*, for engaging nails or eyes projecting from the ends of the box, for retaining the cover in place on the box to which it is applied.

My improved cracker-box cover permits of displaying the contents of the box, while excluding dust and moisture.

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

1. A cracker-box cover formed of a frame, A, containing a glass panel, A', the door C, hinged to the central cross-bar of the frame A, the angled plate *e*, and the adjustable angled plates *f*, substantially as herein described.

2. The combination, with the frame A and door C, of the flat spring *d*, bent around the edge of the door, and the staple *e*, inserted in the frame A, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. As an improved article of manufacture, a cracker-box cover provided with a glass panel, A', and having a glazed door, C, hinged in the frame, the combined buffer and fastener consisting of the spring *d* and staple *e*, convex angled plate *e*, adjustable angled plates *f*, and the hooks *i*, substantially as specified.

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