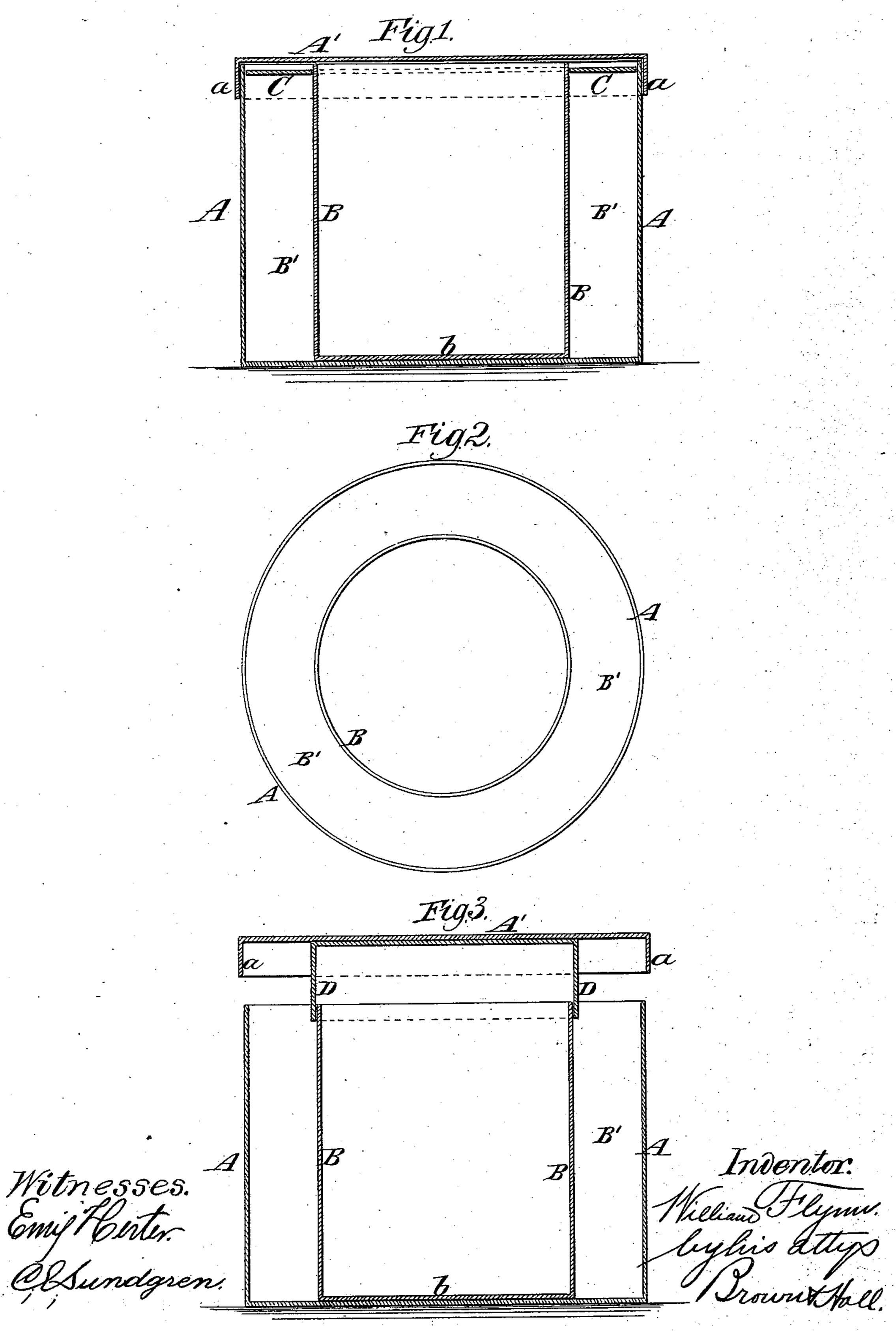
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM FLYNN, of the city and county of New York, in the State of New York, have invented a new and useful 5 Improvement in Boxes for Furs, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates particularly to boxes wherein ladies' fur sets, whether consisting of a muff and boa, or a muff and collar, or a muff, to boa, and collar, may be packed, either during the intervals of use or for storage, without any danger of their being injured by creasing.

To this end my invention consists, essentially, in the combination, with a box and 15 cover, of a cylinder smaller in size than the box and arranged upright and substantially concentric therein, thereby forming by the cylinder a receptacle for a muff, and around the cylinder a space for a boa or collar, and a 20 support at the upper or outer end of the cylinder for holding it concentric in the box. The support at the upper or outer end of the cylinder for holding the cylinder concentric in the box serves, when the box with its con-25 tained muff and boa is placed on the side, to prevent the weight of the muff from causing the cylinder to press downward upon the boa. The support for the free or upper end of the cylinder may consist of an annular ring or 30 flange fitting approximately the space between the cylinder and the wall of the box, or it may consist of a cylindric flange projecting inward from the cover and entering or surrounding the cylinder.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a vertical section of an empty box embodying my invention and in which is employed the annular flange for supporting the upper or outer end of the cylinder. Fig. 2 is a plan 40 view of the box without the cover; and Fig. 3 is a section similar to Fig. 1, but with the cover slightly removed and provided with an annular downwardly-extending flange for engaging the upper end of the cylinder independ-45 ently of the engagement of the rim of the cover

with the box-body.

Similar letters of reference designate corre-

sponding parts in the several figures.

The box is cylindric or substantially cylin-50 drie, and consists of an upright body, A, having a bottom and closed by a slip-cover, A',

which, as is usual, is provided with a downwardly-extending rim or flange, a, to embrace the body A.

B designates an inner cylinder, which is ar- 55 ranged in the box, and, as shown, is secured to the bottom thereof. As here represented, the inner cylinder has a bottom, b, which is secured to the bottom of the box, and, being substantially concentric within the body A, it 60 affords in the space within it a receptacle for a muff, and in the annular space B' around it it affords a receptacle in which a boa may be coiled without any danger of creasing or forming sharp bends therein, no matter how long 65

the furs may remain in the box.

If the box be laid upon its side when it contains furs, it is obvious that the weight of the muff within the cylinder B will cause it to drop down and bear upon the boa in the an- 70 nular space B' unless some means be employed to prevent. I therefore provide a support for the upper or outer end of the cylinder B. In the example of the invention shown in Fig. 1 this support consists of an annular 75 flange, C, which fits approximately in the annular space B', and which, after the boa or collar is coiled in said annular space, may be lightly pressed downward therein, and will serve to effectually support the cylinder and 80 hold it in position concentric within the box.

In the example of my invention shown in Fig. 3 the cover A' is provided with a cylindric flange, D, which projects downward from it, preferably below the lower edge of the rim 85 a, and which engages the upper open end of the cylinder B. In the example of the invention shown in Fig. 3 the cylinder or cylindric rim D engages the cylinder B by embracing it or slipping outside it, and, inasmuch as the 90 flange D projects below the rim a, the flange D may be readily fitted to the open end of the cylinder B before the rim or flange a is fitted to the body A of the box.

I am aware that it is not new to provide in 95 an upright fur-box an upright concentric cylinder for containing a muff, the boa being coiled in the annular space around the cylinder, and I do not claim such a box, broadly, as of my invention.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is1. The combination, with a box and cover, of a cylinder smaller in size than the box and secured at the bottom of the box in a position substantially concentric therewith, and a support at the upper or outer end of the cylinder for holding the cylinder concentric in the box, substantially as herein described.

2. The combination, with the box and its cover, of a substantially cylindric muff-holder

in the box, and a supporting-ring, C, adjust- to able on the muff-holder upward and downward in the box, substantially as herein described.

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