

“Build a better mouse trap and the world will beat a path to your door!” While this statement was supposed to have been made by Ralph Waldo Emerson (who, you may recall, spent the night in New Hampton in the summer of 1875), what he actually said was, *"If a man has good corn or wood, or boards, or pigs, to sell, or can make better chairs or knives, crucibles or church organs, than anybody else, you will find a broad hard-beaten road to his house, though it be in the woods."*

The item in the photos was a humane mousetrap designed not to do any harm. When the mouse attempted to take the bait (from the end of the hook), the spring-loaded lid snapped shut. The jar sat on its flat side - and the three air holes in the glass (as well as holes in the lid), allowed the mouse to breathe. It was made by the Otto Kampf Co. in Newark, NJ.



Description

I am pleased to offer a nearly 100 year old Mouse Trap. This is made of heavy glass. The square side is marked Otto Kampf Mfg Co. Newark N.J. The stands 5 5/16th inches tall. It has a screen on lid with a piece that is separate the glass inside the lid. Has a arm that you hook inside the top of the lid. Has 2 small square holes in the lid of the jar and the cover sets into them. Also has a small chip on the rim. The cover is marked patent pending. Quite a neat looking piece. I really haven't a clue how it works. Please see some of photos for condition and content. What is scanned / photographed is exactly what you will receive. But please look closely at some of photos and use your own judgement on condition and bid accordingly. This would make a welcome addition to someone's collection. I mail 2 times a week. If please email me. Do Not wait until the last hour. I will gladly combine shipping charges. Food back is left when I receive it. Good Luck Have Fun. Any over charge on shipping will be refunded. PLEASE wait for invoice.

