

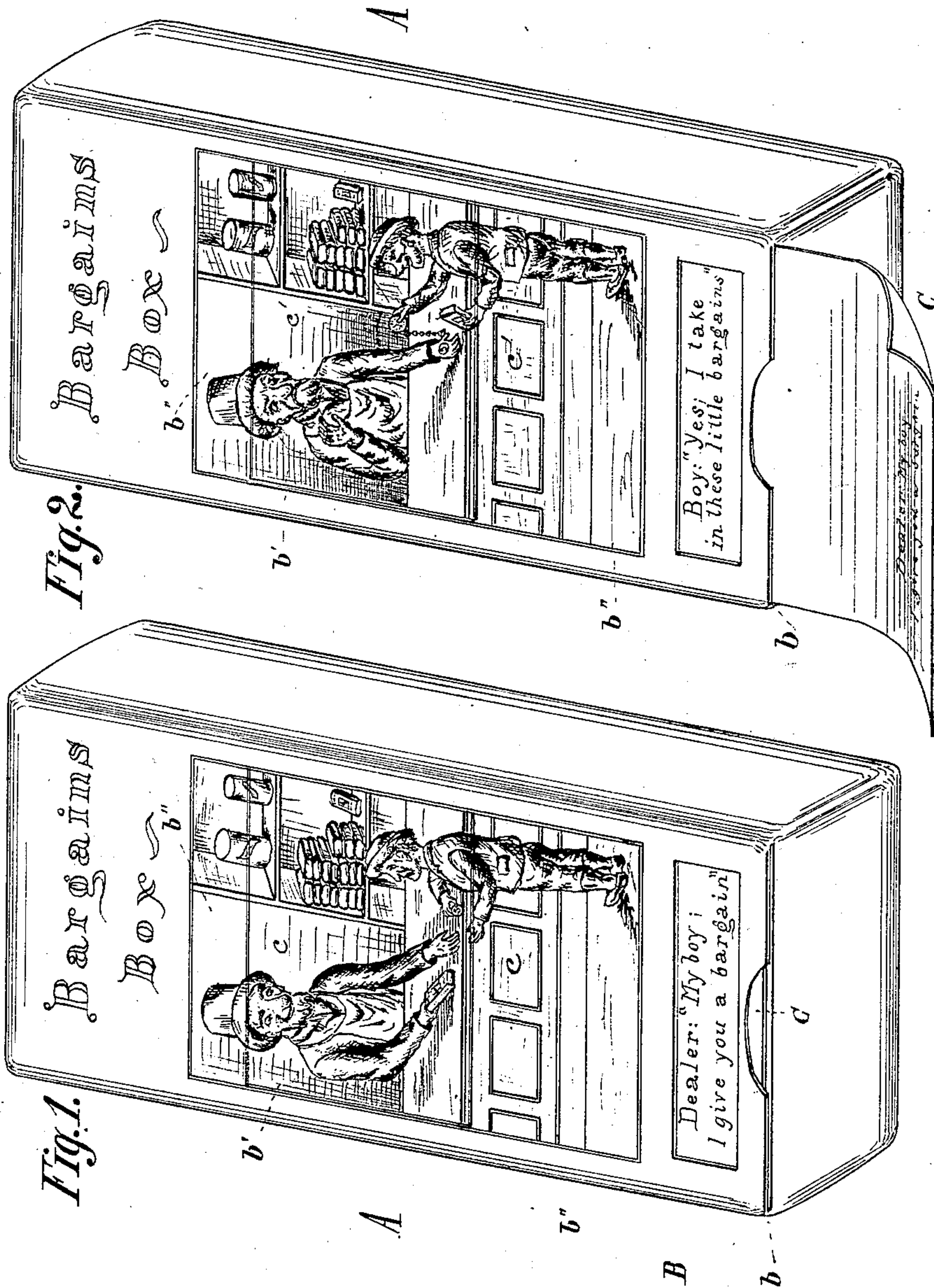
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM STRONG, of Cincinnati, Hamilton county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Toy or Toy Box, of which the following is a specification.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views of my box in two phases of its use. Fig. 3 shows a modification of my invention.

10 The top or any one side of my box A is formed with a sheath or pocket, B, which is open at one end, *b*, for a slide, C, and has an aperture, *b'*, to display a fragmentary picture, *c*, on the slide, which, in conjunction with another fragmentary picture, *b''*, on the sheath, goes to complete the design—as, for example, a merchant standing behind a counter offering goods to a customer in front of it. The same slide contains another fragmentary picture, *c'*, also corresponding to the fragmentary picture on the box, but presenting the same characters under ludicrously different aspects, so as to constitute an amusing and attractive toy.

25 The box is particularly designed and intended as a package for what are known as “prize” candies, but may be used for other purposes.

The slide may contain three or any number of additional fragmentary pictures, or may be

formed to rotate about a pivot, as in modification, Fig. 3, which represents the lid of a cylindrical box whose sheath B is of circular form for a box of corresponding contour and possesses an aperture or window, *b*, which may have the represented circular or other appropriate shape and in which the slide C is likewise circular and has diverse fragmentary pictures *c c'*, which are capable, by the rotation of the slide about a pivot, D, of being brought successively opposite the opening *b*, so as to appear to form an integral part of the picture on the sheath.

I claim as new and of my invention—

A box or toy, A, having the sheath B, with side and end apertures, *b b'*, and with a fragmentary picture, *b''*, in combination with slide C, having two or more fragmentary pictures, *c c'*, which, while both correspond to the fragmentary picture on the sheath, are different in themselves, substantially as set forth.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto set my hand.

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