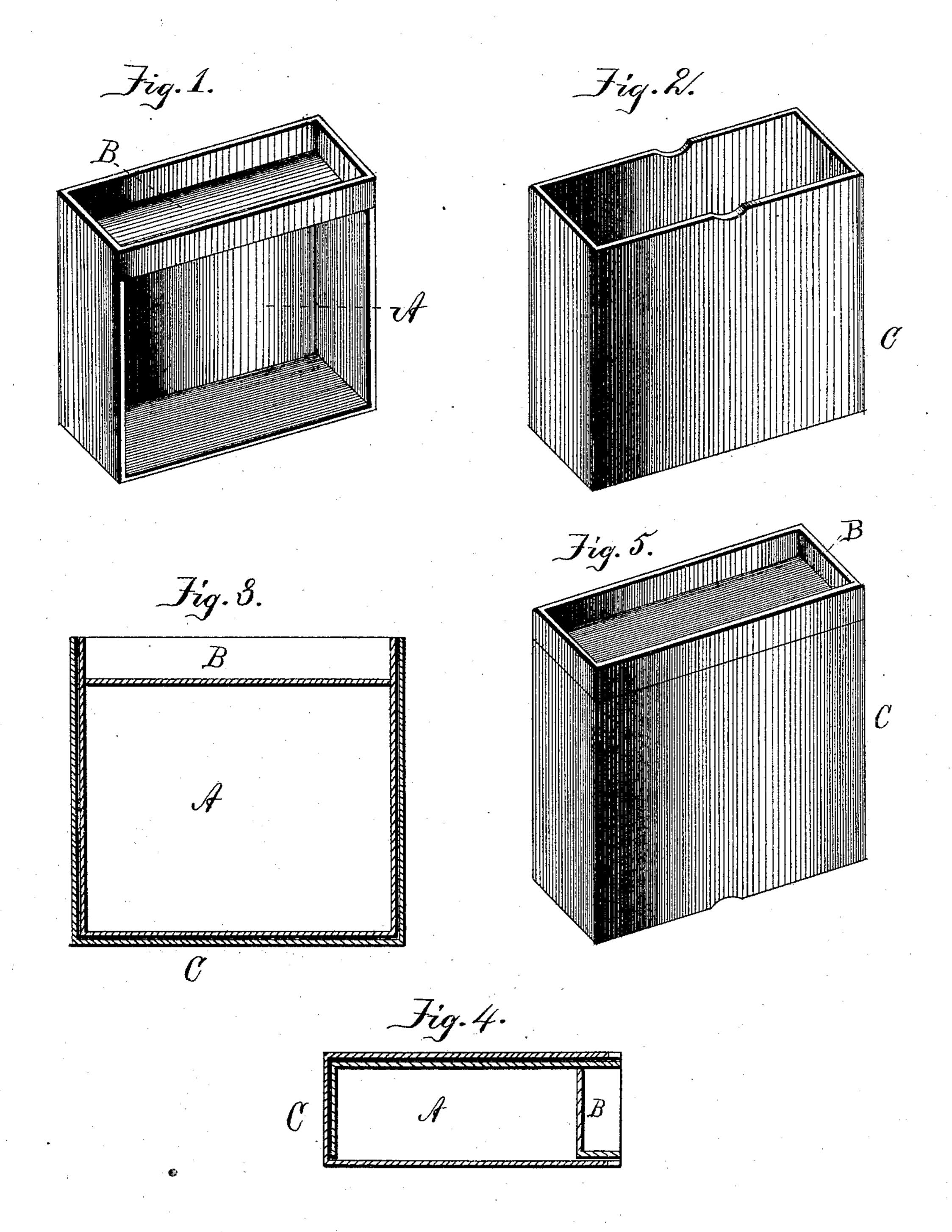
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SHOW-BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. SCOTT, a resident of Freeport, in the county of Stephenson and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Show-Boxes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use to the same.

My invention is a new and improved show-box for exhibiting cutlery or other articles in a show-case, its object being to afford a means whereby the packing-boxes in which such goods are shipped and received may be placed on edge in the show-case, and at the same time the samples exhibited may be securely retained in position on the upper exposed edges of the boxes. The form and construction of the box is fully explained in the following specification and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the box; Fig. 2, a perspective view of the cover; Fig. 25 3, a vertical longitudinal section of the box and cover in position for displaying goods; Fig. 4, a vertical transverse section of same, and Fig. 5 a perspective of the cover with supplemental box attached thereto instead of 30 to the main box.

As shown in Figs. 1 to 4, the device is the combination of a main packing-box, A, and a supplemental display-box, B, formed integrally therewith, the supplemental box being on one of the edges of the main box, and the two being separated by a partition of the same material as the box. An ordinary telescope-cover, C, slides over both boxes. When put on in the position shown in Figs. 3 and 4 it closes the main box, but leaves the supplemental

box open; but when put on in a reverse position it closes both boxes.

The use of the device is evident. Any desired articles may be packed in the main box alone or in that and the supplemental box, 45 and, the cover being put on in such a position as to close both boxes, the goods are securely held in place and are ready for shipment. When placed in the show-case for exhibition the cover is reversed, leaving the supplemental 50 box open, and, a sample being placed therein, the box is set on edge and the sample is held in place, and at the same time the box takes up much less space than if flat on its side.

The main box may open at one edge instead 55 of on the flat side, as shown; but I consider the form shown preferable.

Fig. 5 shows the supplemental box attached to the outside of the cover instead of the main box. This form would accomplish the same 60 result as the other; but I think it best to attach the supplemental box to the main box.

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

The combination of a main packing-box, a supplemental display-box formed integrally therewith, and a reversible cover adapted to close both of said boxes when in one position, and when reversed to close said main box, 70 while leaving said supplemental box open, substantially as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing wit- 75 nesses.

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