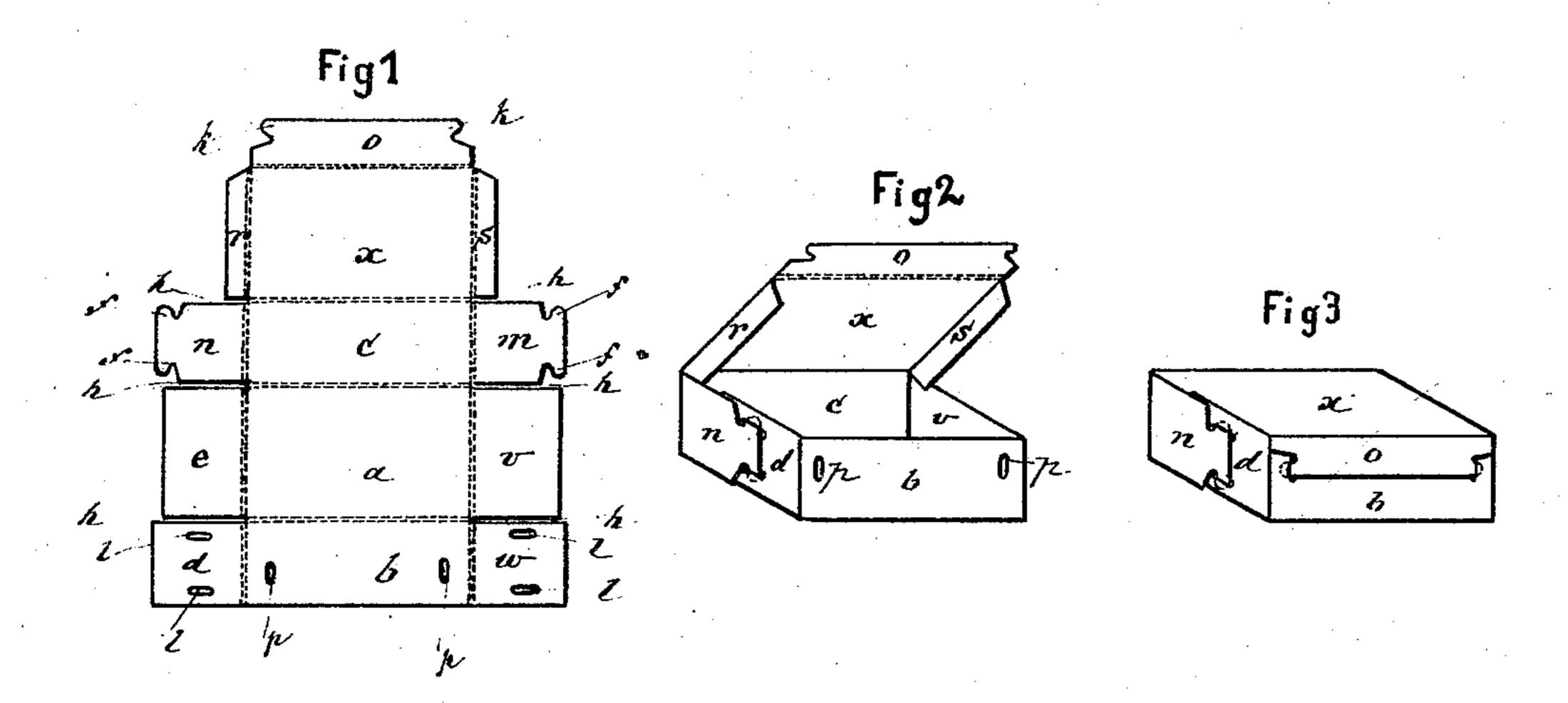
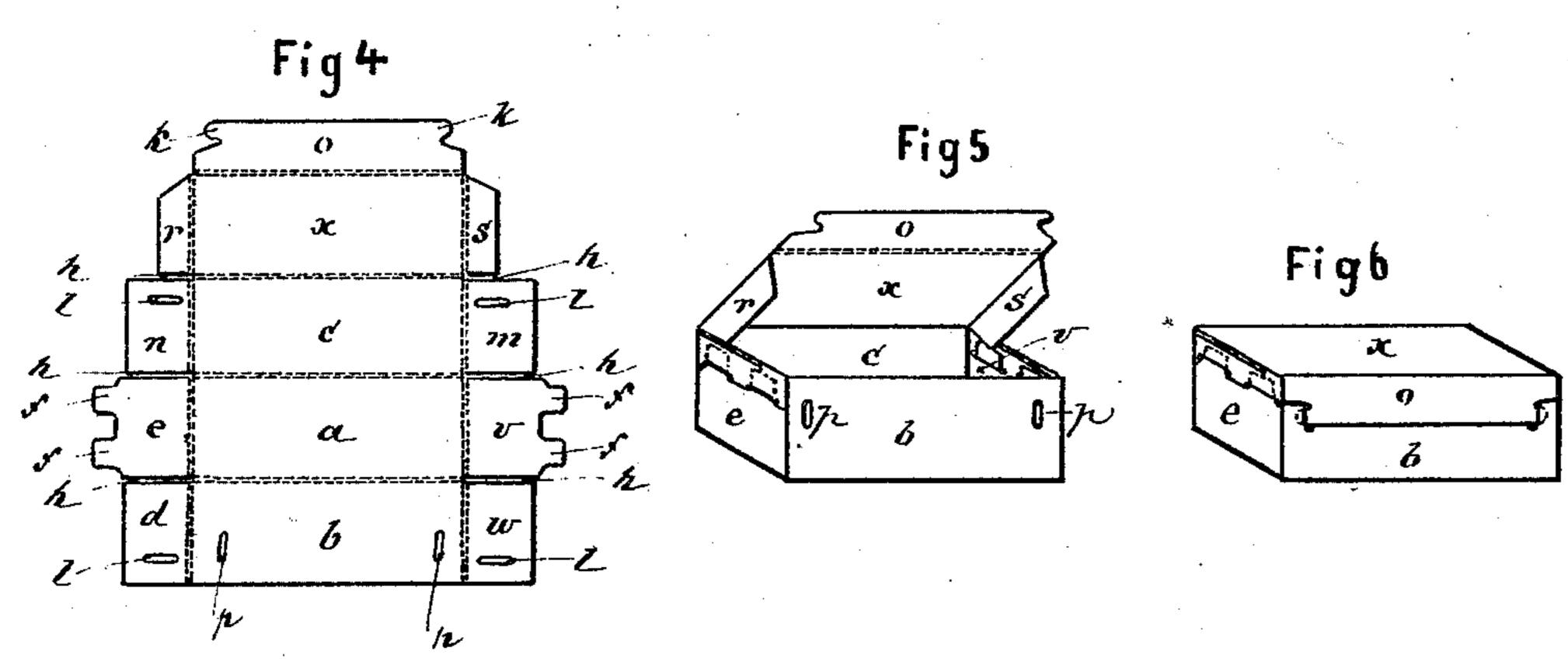
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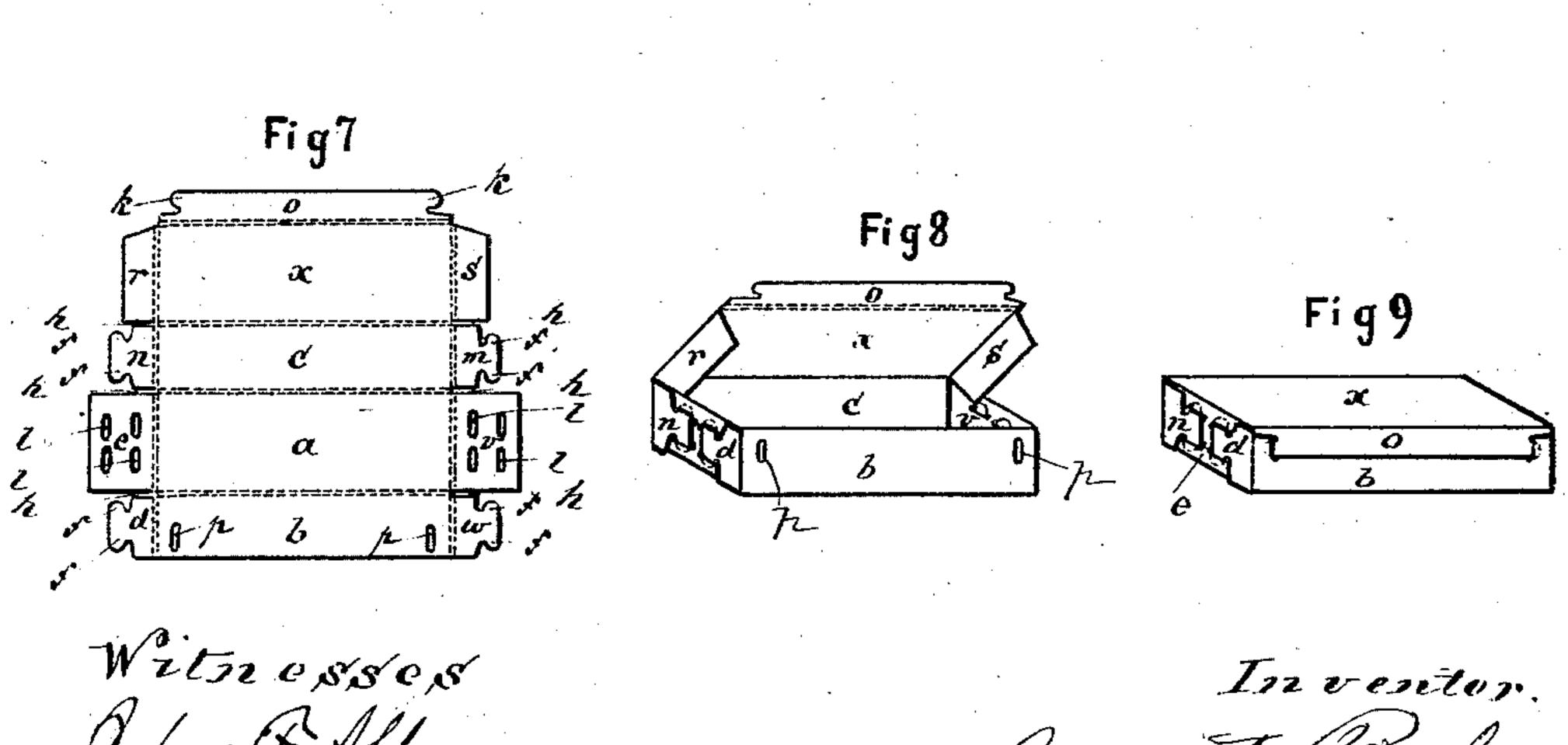
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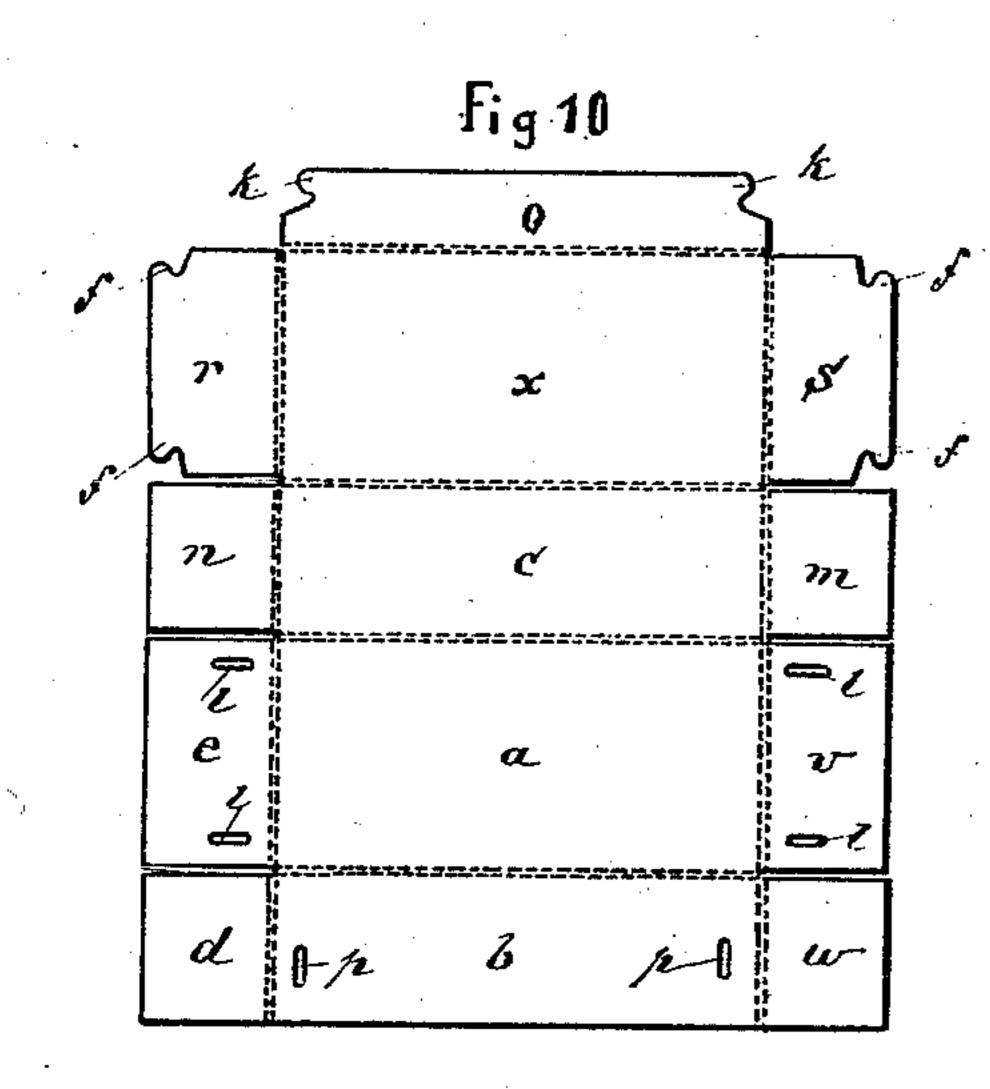
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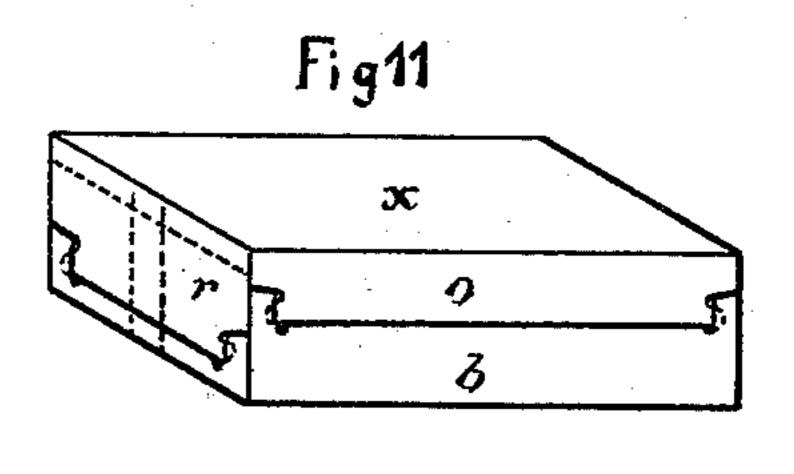
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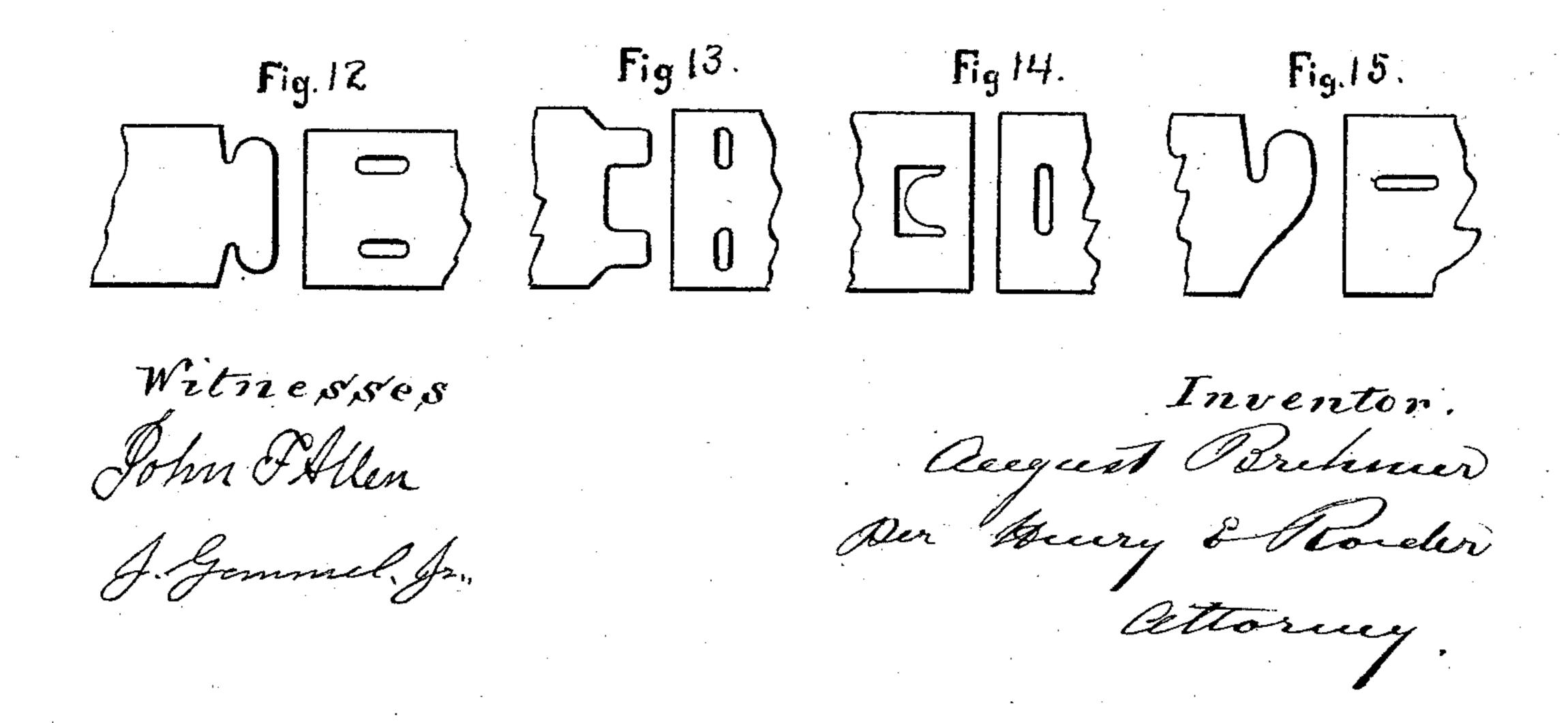
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST BREHMER, a citizen of Germany, and a resident of the city of Leipsic, in Germany, have invented certain 5 new and useful Improvements in Paper Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to paper or cardboard boxes cut in the form of a blank with various flaps, which may be flattened out for to conveniently packing away, or folded to form a box capable of being opened at top or on

the sides, as may be required.

In the accompanying drawings, Figures 1, 4, 7, and 10 show in plan views my improved 15 box-blank cut from a single piece of paper. Figs. 2, 5, and 8 represent the box with the top partially open. Figs. 3, 6, 9, and 11 represent the boxes closed. Figs. 12, 13, 14, and 15 represent various tongues and correspond-20 ing slits for fastening the flaps together.

Similar letters represent similar parts in all

the figures.

The body of the boxes formed from a piece of paper or card-board is, in the figures from 25 1 to 11, divided into thirteen (13) subdivisions, partly by cuts or slits, or by creases. The creased parts are represented by dotted lines. These thirteen subdivisions are indicated by the letters a, b, c, d, e, n, m, v, w, o, r, s, and 30 x, and are formed by the creases indicated in dotted lines and by the cuts or slits h. The division a forms the bottom of the box, b and c the front and back, and den and m vw the sides. r s are side flaps, and o a front 35 flap, for strengthening the part x, forming the cover of the box. In Fig. 1 the divisions nm are provided with suitable tongues, ff, and the divisions d w with corresponding slits, l l. In Fig. 4 the tongues ff are made on the di-40 visions ev, and the slits ll in the divisions dn m w. In Fig. 10 the tongues f f are made on the divisions r s, and the slits l l in the divisions ev. The divisions o are likewise provided with tongues k, and the divisions b with | in the manner and for the purpose described. 45 corresponding slits, p, for the purpose of fastening the cover. The changing of the tongues and slits for fastening the sides results from the size, shape, and purpose of the boxes, and may be varied at pleasure.

When desired to make up the boxes, the 50 pieces d b w n c m and e v are turned upward, the pieces b c forming the front and back, and the pieces ev the sides, of the box. The pieces n d m w are then turned at right angles to the sides ev. The tongues ff will 5. thereby be in position with the slits l l to be passed into the same, and secure thereby the sides. The divisions rs are then turned at right angles to the division x, forming the cover of the box, and are put into the inner side of 60 the box when the cover is closed, when the piece o is turned downward over the front part, b, and the tongues k on said division ocan be passed into the slits p in the front division, b, thereby fastening the box together, as 6. shown in Figs. 3, 6, 9, and 11. This arrangement of tongues and slits at the sides and for the cover of the box forms a self-locked box without the requirement of cords or strings to fasten the same, and offers that great advan- 70 tage that these boxes can be opened at both ends as well as at the top, independent of each other, whereby it becomes possible to show readily the contents of the box at the top and at either end, as may be desired, without re- 7! moving the contents from the box.

I am aware that boxes have been made from a cut and folded paper or card-board, and do

not claim the same, broadly; but

What I claim as my invention, and desire to 80

secure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein-described paper or card-board box, made of a single piece, and consisting of thirteen (13) rectangular divisions, the divisions forming parts of the sides containing 8; tongues ff, and the adjoining divisions forming, likewise, parts of the sides containing corresponding slits, l l, and the end division, o, adjoining the cover x, having tongues kk, and the divisions b, forming the front of the box, 90 having corresponding slits, p, the whole connected and arranged to operate substantially

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