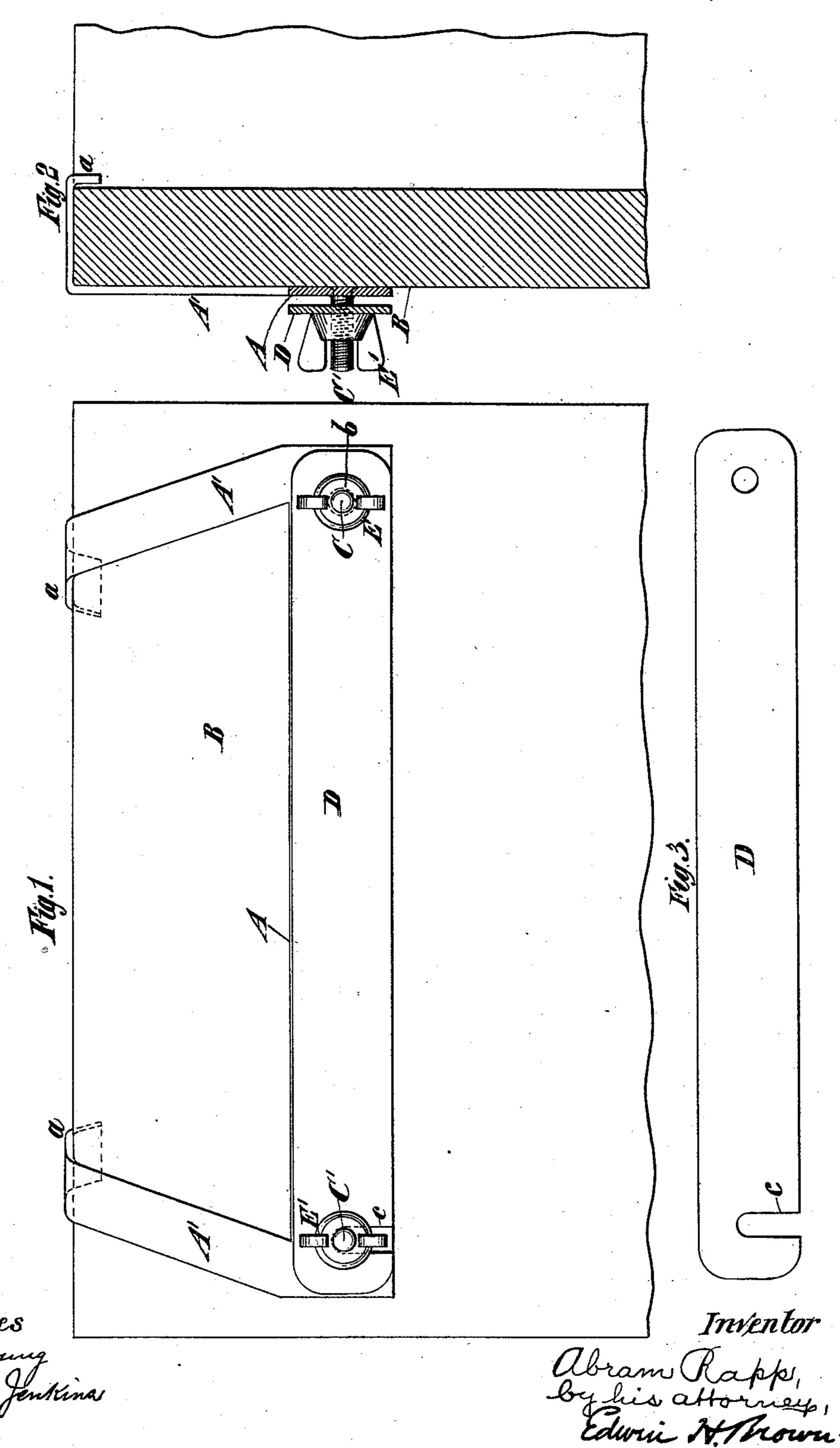
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAM RAPP, of Durango, in La Plata county, and the State of Colorado, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Boot and Shoe Exhibitors, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my improvement is to provide a simple and cheap device whereby sample boots, shoes, and analogous articles may be to displayed outside of boxes or cases in which

similar articles are packed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of a box or case having applied to the front end a device embodying my improvement. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the end of the box or case and a side view of the said device. Fig. 3 is a view of the bar D.

Similar letters of reference designate corre-

sponding parts in both figures.

A designates a bar, made of metal or other suitable material, and having at the ends upwardly-extending arms A', which may advantageously be made integral therewith. The upper ends of these arms are shown as bent over and downward, so as to form hooks a, that extend over the top of the front of a box or case, B, and secure the arms close against the front thereof. The box or case B may be made of wood or other suitable material. As shown, the arms A' converge upwardly; but they may be parallel, if preferable. To the front of the bar A, near the ends, are screws C C'.

D designates a clamping-bar, which is pro-35 vided near one end with a hole, b, that fits loosely over the screw C, so that the bar will

have a pivotal connection therewith. This bar is also provided near the other end with a notch, c, so that it is adapted to fit over and engage with the screw C'. The clamping-bar 40 is capable of being disengaged from or engaged with the screw C' by being swung up or down upon the screw C as a pivot.

On the screws C C' are fitted nuts E E', so constructed that they may be turned easily by 45 hand. They are arranged outside the clamping-bar D, and may be manipulated so as to force the clamping-bar toward the bar A.

To fasten a boot, shoe, or other article to be displayed, the clamping-bar D is raised, and 50 the upper portion of the boot, shoe, or other article is placed against the bar A. The clamping-bar is then swung downward in front of the latter and engaged with the screw C', whereupon the nuts E E' are turned so as to 55 force the clamping-bar toward the bar A to clamp and hold the boot, shoe, or other article.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a boot and shoe exhibitor, the combination, with the bar A, having the upwardly-extending arms A' A' bent over to form the hooks a a, adapted to be attached to a box, of the pivoted clamping-bar D, having the 65 notch c, and secured to the bar A by screws C C' and nuts E E', as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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