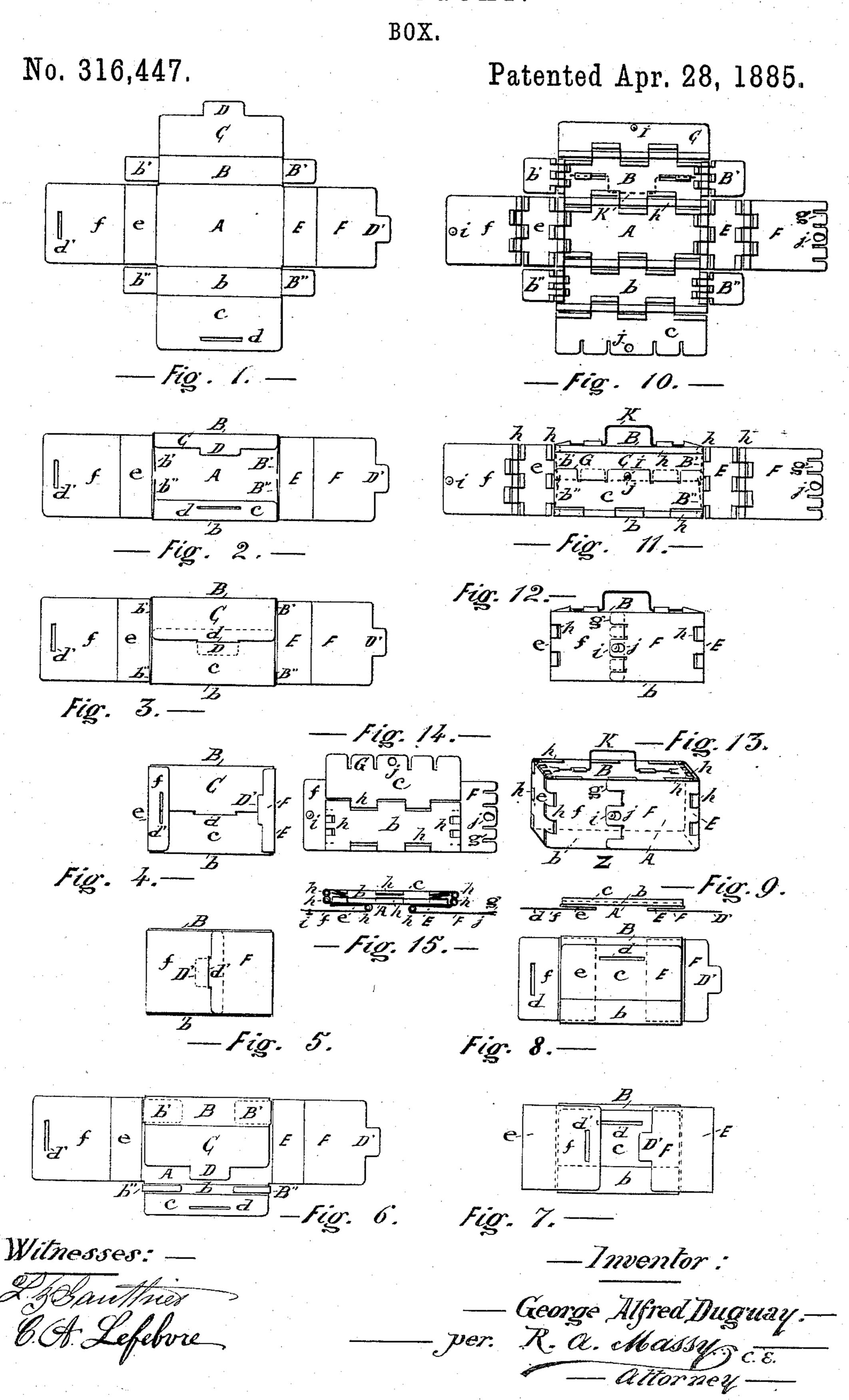
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## BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, George Alfred Du-GUAY, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at Montreal, in the Province of Que-5 bec, in the Dominion of Canada, discount clerk, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in the Construction of Packing-Boxes, of which the following is a specification.

The first part of my invention consists in a new combination of cutting out paper or pasteboard, which, by a particular method of folding each sheet of paper or pasteboard, permits the fabrication of a real solid portable box, in which can be packed all kinds of sweetmeats, biscuits, spices, preserves, goods, &c.—in fact, anything that can be packed in a box, from the smallest drug-box to the largest-sized

one for exportation purposes. The second part of my invention consists in the same method of cutting out as the preceding one on sheets of pasteboard, tin, or small wooden plank, but cut out as many pieces as there are parts folded in the above new com-25 bination, being so many separate plates with which I am to construct my new box. Said plates are fastened by means of hinges or by the equivalents—strips of leather or canvas nailed or glued to one another—thus giving to 30 the said boxes the solidity of ordinary ones, with the advantage of folding them, after having been used, in packages of less thickness and in the same manner as would be the case with all the loosened parts of an ordinary 35 box placed one upon the other, or simply laid

on an even surface, thus enabling the packing of said boxes one upon the other, folded or unfolded, without taking up much space, in the same manner as might be done with sin40 gle sheets of paper or pasteboard, as being placed in separate small packages, one alongside the other, or one upon the other, while with the same number of ordinary boxes this would take up a space relatively considerable.

One of the great advantages which my new box moreover possesses is that it can be used as a lunch-box for travelers, office-clerks, laborers, and others. When unfolded, said box will be used as a mat, thereby protecting the table or desk. Being made of average size

50 table or desk. Being made of average size and of tin, when folded and empty it can be

carried with the same convenience as a pocket-book.

Said lunch-boxes could be enameled, so that they can be kept clean by lightly rubbing 55 them, and for better appearance might be covered with leather, cloth, or any other material, or by giving them a fine coating of paint, japan, &c.

Figures 1 to 5 represent the box made of pa-60 per or pasteboard. Figs. 10 to 13 represent the same box, but made of tin, wood, or any other hard material. Figs. 6 to 9, 14 and 15, show the method of folding the box.

Fig. 1 represents the box laid down flat, 65 and the bottom is A; the longitudinal sides, B b; the end and internal small sides, B'b'B''b'', which we fold as seen in Fig. 2, after having raised said longitudinal sides. When we wish to construct the box, said internal small 70 sides serve as a support to the inner lid, C c, when we shut it down, as seen in Fig. 3, in which Fig. 3 we see that the said inner lid is composed of two parts, which are closed by the tongue D, introduced in the incision d, so 75as to form only one piece. E e are the lateral covering sides, and F f the outer lid of the box. We raise these last parts same as in Fig. 4. Then we turn down the said outer lid, as seen in Fig. 5, in which we also see that 80 said lid is equally made in two parts, closing itself with the tongue D' and the incision d', and that thus the box is completely constructed.

Figs. 10 to 13 represent the same box, but 85 made of tin, wood, or of any other hard material or metal, and that box is composed of the plates A B b, B' b', B" b'', C c, and E e, F f, joined together by the hinges h, and these hinges are formed with the same pieces 90 of metal that these said plates are, or made separately or by the equivalents—strips of leather or canvas—or with whatever materials, glued, nailed, screwed, or attached to it in whatever way, to replace said hinges, and the 95 fastenings of the inner lid and outer lid are effected by the small tongues G g, and by the eyelets Jj, in which are introduced their respective fastening-buttons, I i; and K, the handle used for carrying the box Z, as repre- 100 sented in perspective by Fig. 13.

Figs. 6, 7, 8, and 9, and Figs. 14 and 15 rep-

resent the folding of my box into one package—for paper and pasteboard boxes by the Figs. 6, 7, 8, and 9, and for metal boxes, or boxes made of other hard materials, by the Figs. 14 and 15.

I do not claim a box made with a paper or pasteboard of one single piece, because that

is not new; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

of paper or pasteboard of one single piece, of the longitudinal sides B b, having the internal small end sides, B' b' B" b", and inner lid, C c, also the covering end sides, E e, having the outer lid, F f, and the lids with fastenings by tongues D D' and incisions d d', all substantially as set forth.

2. The packing-box made by separate plates 20 A B b, B' b', B" b'', C c, and E e, F f, and said plates made of hard material joined together with the hinges h, and said hinges formed with the same piece of metal that these said plates are or not, or joined together with 25 whatever mode of attachments, and the lids of the box fastening by the small tongues G g, fastening-buttons I i, and eyelets J j, or by whatever mode of fastening, and also the box provided or not with my handle K, substangued as and for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

Montreal, January 10, 1885.

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