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Fig. 3.

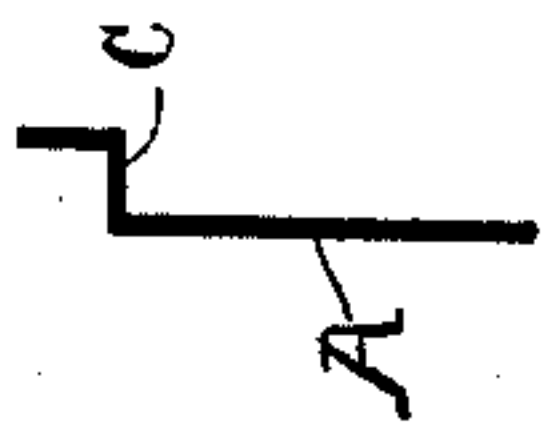


Fig. 2.

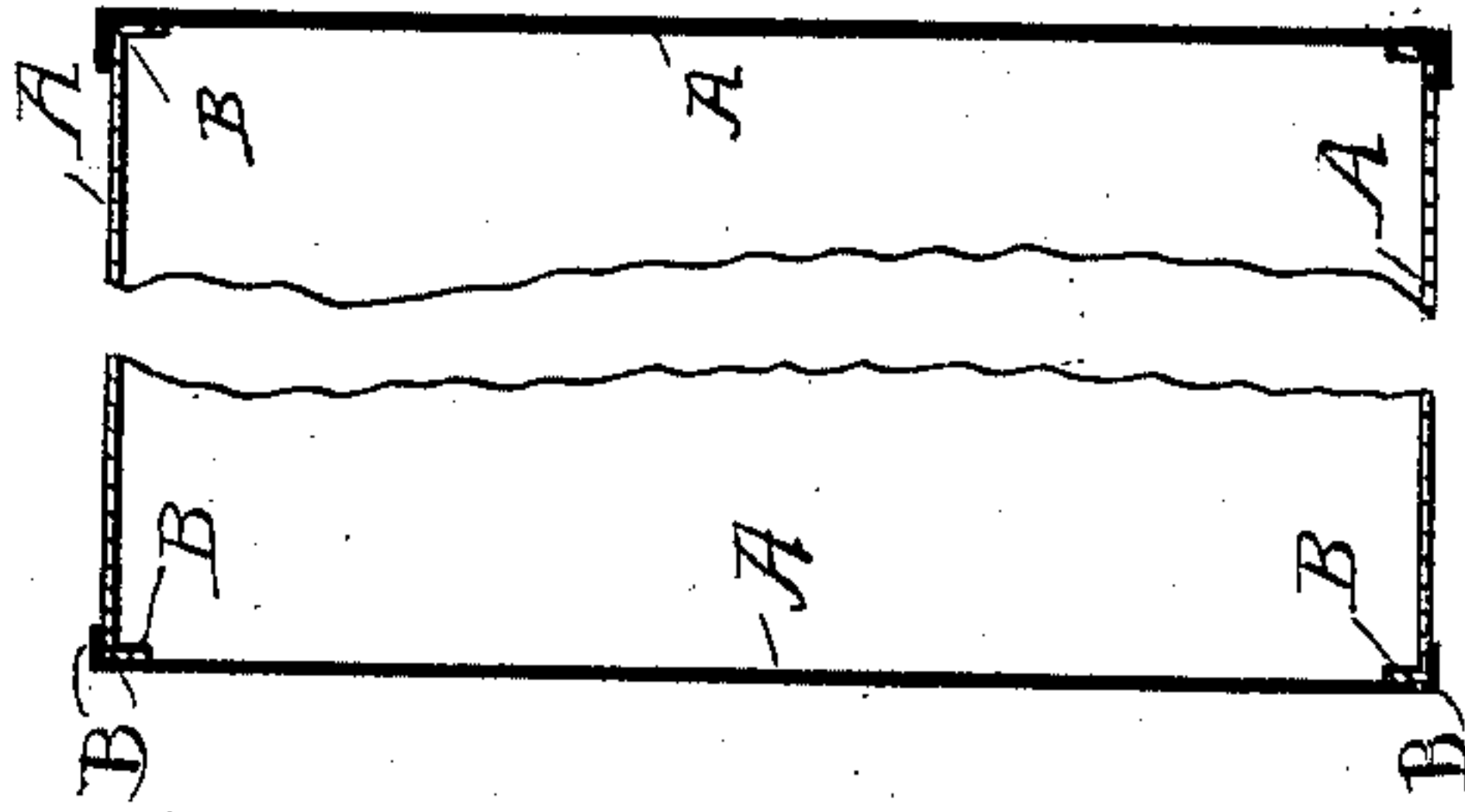


Fig. 1.

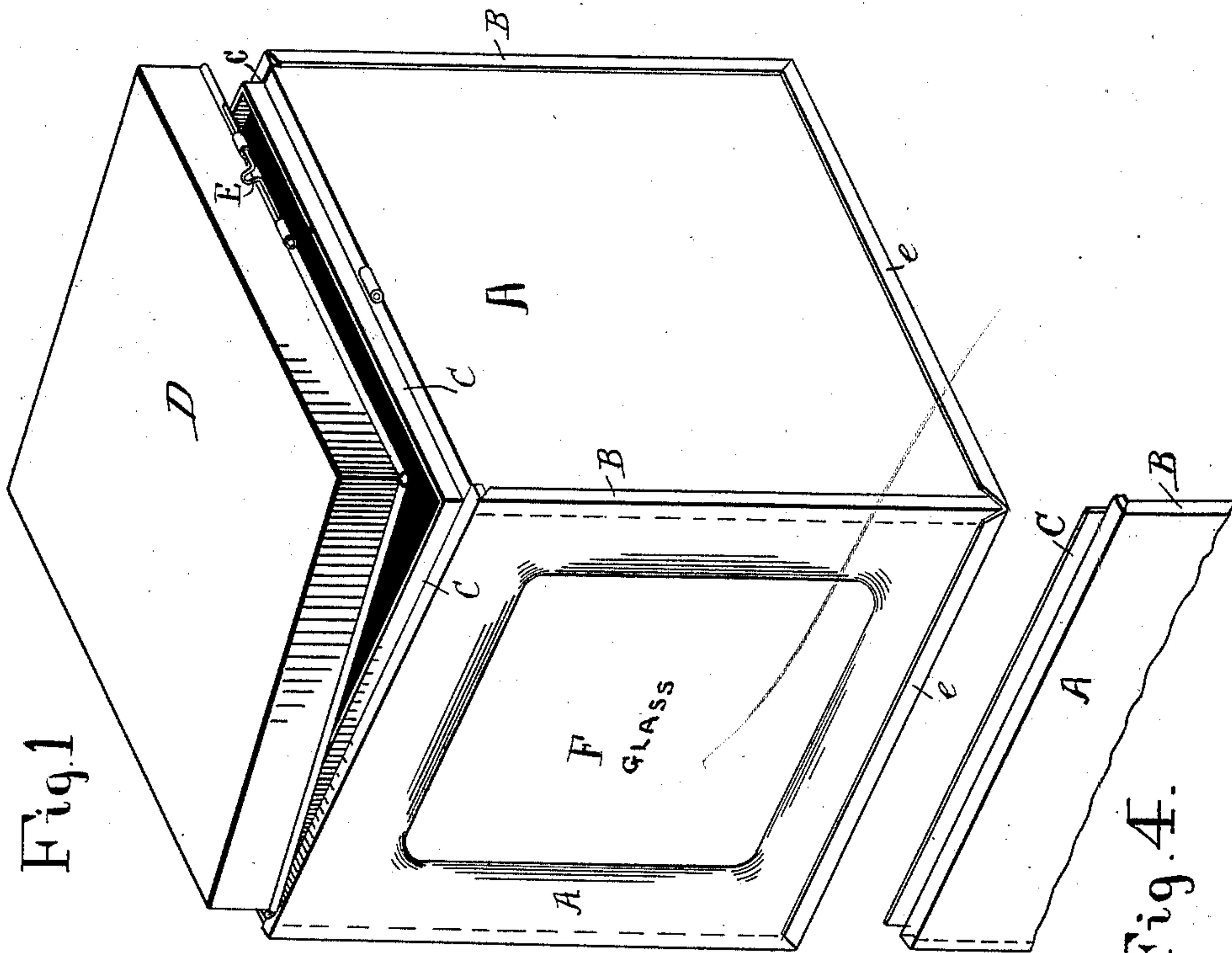


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CASPER FORSTER, of Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cake or Bread Boxes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

My invention relates to an improvement in bread or cake boxes; and it consists in the means, hereinafter described and claimed, for imparting stiffness and strength and economizing room in the transportation of said boxes.

Boxes in which cakes, crackers, and bread are packed for shipment, as at present constructed, lack the strength and stiffness to withstand the rough usage attendant upon such shipment. Consequently they soon become destroyed and useless. In my boxes these difficulties are avoided, and the articles that are packed in them will not be injured or broken.

To enable others skilled in the art with which my invention is most nearly connected to make and use it, I will proceed to describe its construction.

In the accompanying drawings, which form part of my specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improvement. Fig. 2 is a horizontal section showing the manner of securing together the edges of the front, sides, and back. Fig. 3 is an edge view of one of the sheets of metal of which the box is formed, showing the manner of forming the double flange. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the top of one of the sides.

In the drawings, A are the sides of the box, which are formed of four pieces of sheet metal or other suitable material, said pieces being

secured together, as shown at B, Fig. 2. On the upper edges of these sheets of metal is formed a double flange, C. (Shown in Figs. 1 and 3.)

D is the lid, and is hinged to the body of the box, and when closed will drop over the double flange C, resting on the lower portion of said flange, so that there will be no projections, and thus when packed in cars for shipment the boxes will form a solid mass, each box supporting the other. The lid D is held securely to the body A by means of the latch E. The bottom is provided with flanges *e* all round it, which are slipped over the sides and soldered to them. The box is provided with the usual glass, F, secured in the side or front of the body A.

Having thus described my improvement, what I claim as of my invention is—

The combination, in a cracker-box, of four similar sides, each provided with the side flanges, B, for uniting them together, and with the double flange C upon their top edges, a flanged lid hinged to one of the sides and fastening down over the vertical portions of the double flanges C, and the bottom of the box having the flanges *e*, inclosing the lower edges of the sides, all the said flanges being formed integral with their respective plates and united together, substantially as described and shown.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of September, A. D. 1886.

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