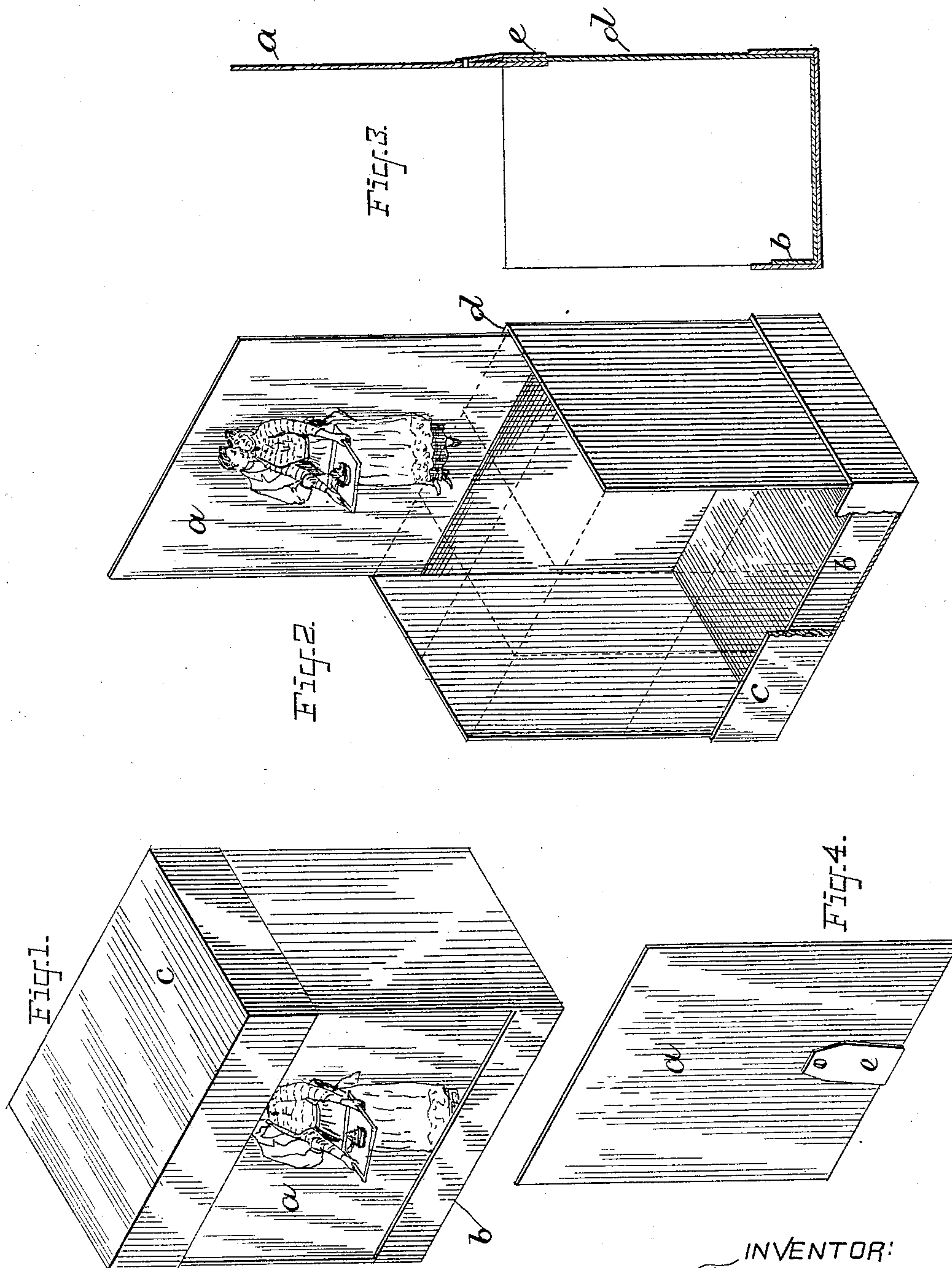


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FREDERICK FEAR, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at Brooklyn, county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display Boxes or Cases, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a display box or case constructed in a manner to display packages or bottles contained therein without destroying or otherwise disfiguring the same, all of which will be fully described hereinafter.

It has heretofore been one of the most objectionable features among the retail dealers to have a number of small packages concealed within an inclosed box and no way of displaying them without removing a few, then replacing the cover and piling the removed packages upon the box without any protection or guard for them. In this condition they are easily knocked down from their position, thereby disfiguring their contour or destroying them completely. I propose to obviate these objections by my invention which consists of a box having a removable cover and a removable front. The base of the box is provided with a guard which may extend across the face of the box at or near its base or it may be arranged in sections. This, however, may be varied without departing from the spirit of my invention. The rear side of the removable front side is provided with a holder near its base, all of which will be fully described and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1, represents a perspective view of the box closed. Fig. 2, is a similar view representing the box opened and displaying its contents together with the front side of the box arranged as a display card. Fig. 3, is a vertical central section of the box in its opened position. Fig. 4, is a perspective view of the removable front detached in which is shown the holder suitably secured to the rear side thereof.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the drawings in which—

*a*, represents the removable front of the box held in position at its base by means of the guard *b*, behind which it rests on the base of said box and at its upper end by the cover *c*. The structure as here represented may con-

tain a series of packages represented by dotted lines in Fig. 2, or it may contain bottles. This however will be immaterial.

The box and its packages are sold in bulk to the retailer who upon the receipt thereof removes the top *c*, of the box and places it on the bottom thereof as shown in Fig. 2. The front *a*, is then removed and placed upon the upper edge of the rear side *d*, and is held to the latter by means of the holder *e*, which may be secured to the said front side *a*, by an eyelet or other suitable fastening.

I do not wish to confine myself to the exact construction as herein shown as I may make the box cylindrical or polygonal at the same time retaining the same features as herein described.

The box may be made of pasteboard, paper, metal, leather, wood, or other suitable material. The guard *b*, may be integral with or otherwise connected with the base, or it may form a part of the vertical ends. The guard may extend partly across the face of the box. I therefore, do not wish to limit myself to this particular feature as I may design the same in various ways without departing from the spirit of my invention.

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

1. In a display box having a removable cover stationary sides back and base of a guard arranged on said basesaid guard adapted to receive a removable front side substantially as shown and described.

2. In a display box the combination consisting of the removable cover the stationary sides back and base the guard secured to said base the removable front side held in position by the said removable cover and guard and the holder secured to the back of the removable front side aforesaid substantially as shown and described.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 21st day of December, 1891.

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