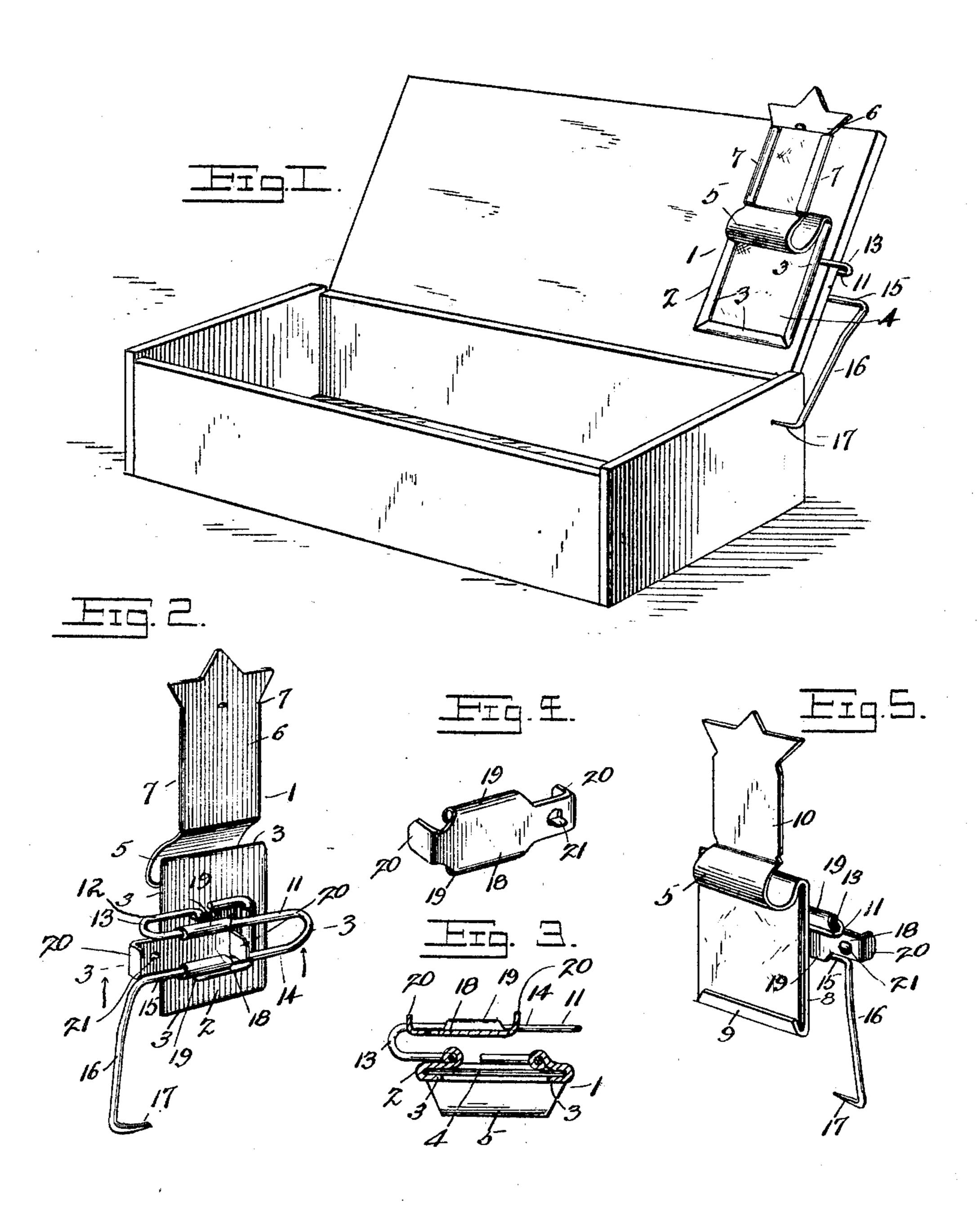
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WARREN W. GEDDES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Kendallville, in the county of Noble and State of 5 Indiana, have invented a new and useful Box-Lid Supporter and Card-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to box-lid supporters and card-holders; and one object of the same To is to provide an exceedingly simple and cheap device by means of which the hinged lid of a cigar or other box may be held opened in an inclined position in order to display the contents of the box; and a further object is to 15 provide the device with means for displaying a price-card or the like and advertisement, either one or both of the latter being used, as desired.

20 tages in view the invention consists in the construction and arrangement of the several parts, which will be more fully hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective 25 view of a box, showing the lid supported in opened position by the improved device. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of the improved device looking toward the rear thereof. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section taken in the plane of 30 the line 3 3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of a slide forming a part of the improved device. Fig. 5 is a detail perspective view of a slightly-modified form of the improved device.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to indicate corresponding parts in the several views.

The numeral 1 designates a price-card or advertisement holding device, which com-40 prises in Figs. 1 and 2 a lower plate 2, with turned-over edges 3 to inclose and hold an advertising-card 4, the upper portion of said plate being continued into an outwardly, downwardly, and upwardly bent loop 5, also 45 continuous with an upper price-card plate 6, having bent-over edges 7 to retain a pricecard of a suitable or preferred character therein. This price-card or advertisement holding device may be suitably ornamented, and 50 the construction of the loop 5, as set forth,

projects the price-card plate or support in a forward prominent position.

The modified form of the card or advertisement holding device shown by Fig. 5 includes a lower advertisement-plate 8, with a single 55 lower bent-over edge 9, and the price-card plate 10 is adapted to have the price directly printed or otherwise applied thereto, and in some instances the plates 2 and 8 will be provided directly by printing or otherwise with 60 the advertising matter.

To the back of the plate 2 or 8 an angular stiff-wire loop 11 is secured, preferably by the means shown, because of its simplicity, and which consists in cutting and bending or 65 rolling a portion of either of the said plates over the two side portions of the loop, and thereby dispense with the use of solder or the With these and other objects and advan- | like and produce a stronger and cheaper construction. An arm 12 is continued from the 70 upper portion of the loop in a horizontal plane outwardly beyond one side of the plate, the arm being provided with a rearwardly-directed bend or bow 13, which is continued into an elongated bearing-loop 14, returned trans- 75 versely across the rear of the plate, so that its members will be in vertical alinement and parallel, the lower member 15 being continued into an angular downwardly-extending leg 16 of a suitable length and formed with a lower 80 terminal spur projection 17 at an angle thereto and extending inwardly. The spur projection is adapted to be pressed into the material of one end of the box, as shown, and in some instances the improved device might 85 be employed as thus far described without any further additions, the application being made by pushing the elongated loop over the end edge of the box-lid to dispose the plates at the front and to have the spur projection 90 of the leg 16 engage the adjacent box end to hold the lid open at an angle, as clearly shown in Fig. 1.

> As an auxiliary means of insuring a reliable retention of the improved device in ap- 95 plied position a slide 18 is employed and is formed with upper and lower rolls 19, slidingly engaging the upper and lower members of the loop 14 and having also terminal angularly-bent lips 20 for operating the same, roo

the outer portion of the body of the slide having a forwardly-directed spur or projection 21 to bite into the lid or cover and firmly hold the improved device in applied position. By means of this slide the improved device can

be adjusted as desired and its adjusted position rendered positive by the spur or projection 21. The elevation of the device on the lid can also be regulated by the said slide,

and when placing the holder on the lid the slide is moved out so as to clear the lid and place the spur or projection entirely out of the way. The slide stiffens the elongated loop 14, and the leg 16 has a resiliency of suf-

purpose it is intended. The one lip 20 is grasped to push the spur or projection 21 into the lid of the box, and the opposite lip is engaged to loosen the spur.

Changes in the form, size, proportions, and minor details may be resorted to without departing from the principle of the invention.

Having thus described the invention, what

is claimed as new is—

ing a price-display plate, an advertisement-plate, and horizontally-adjustable slide means in rear of the plates for removably holding the said plates in connection with a box-lid.

2. A device of the class set forth comprising an upper price-display plate and an integral advertisement-plate below the same, and horizontally - adjustable slide means in rear of the plates for holding the combined plates applied to a box-lid.

3. A device of the class set forth comprising an upper forwardly-projected price-display plate and a lower integral advertise-

ment-plate, and horizontally-adjustable slide means in rear of the plates for holding the 40

combined plates applied to a box-lid.

4. A device of the class set forth comprising an upper forwardly-projected price-display plate integrally connected to a lower advertisement-plate by an intermediate loop, 45 and horizontally - adjustable slide means in rear of the plates for holding the combined plates applied to a box-lid.

5. A device of the class set forth comprising a plate for display purposes, an elongated 50 bearing - loop secured to the back portion thereof and having a depending leg with a terminal projection, and a binding-slide on

the said loop.

6. A device of the class set forth comprising a plate for display purposes, an elongated bearing-loop secured to the back thereof and having a depending leg with a terminal spur, and a binding-slide movably mounted on the said loop and provided with a spur.

7. A device of the class set forth comprising a plate for display purposes, a bearing loop having a securing-loop centrally attached to the back portion of said plate by bending opposite portions of the metal of said 65 plate in reverse directions over opposite sides of the securing-loop, the bearing-loop having a depending leg, and means on the bearing-loop for holding it in adjusted position.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 70 my own I have hereto affixed my signature in

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