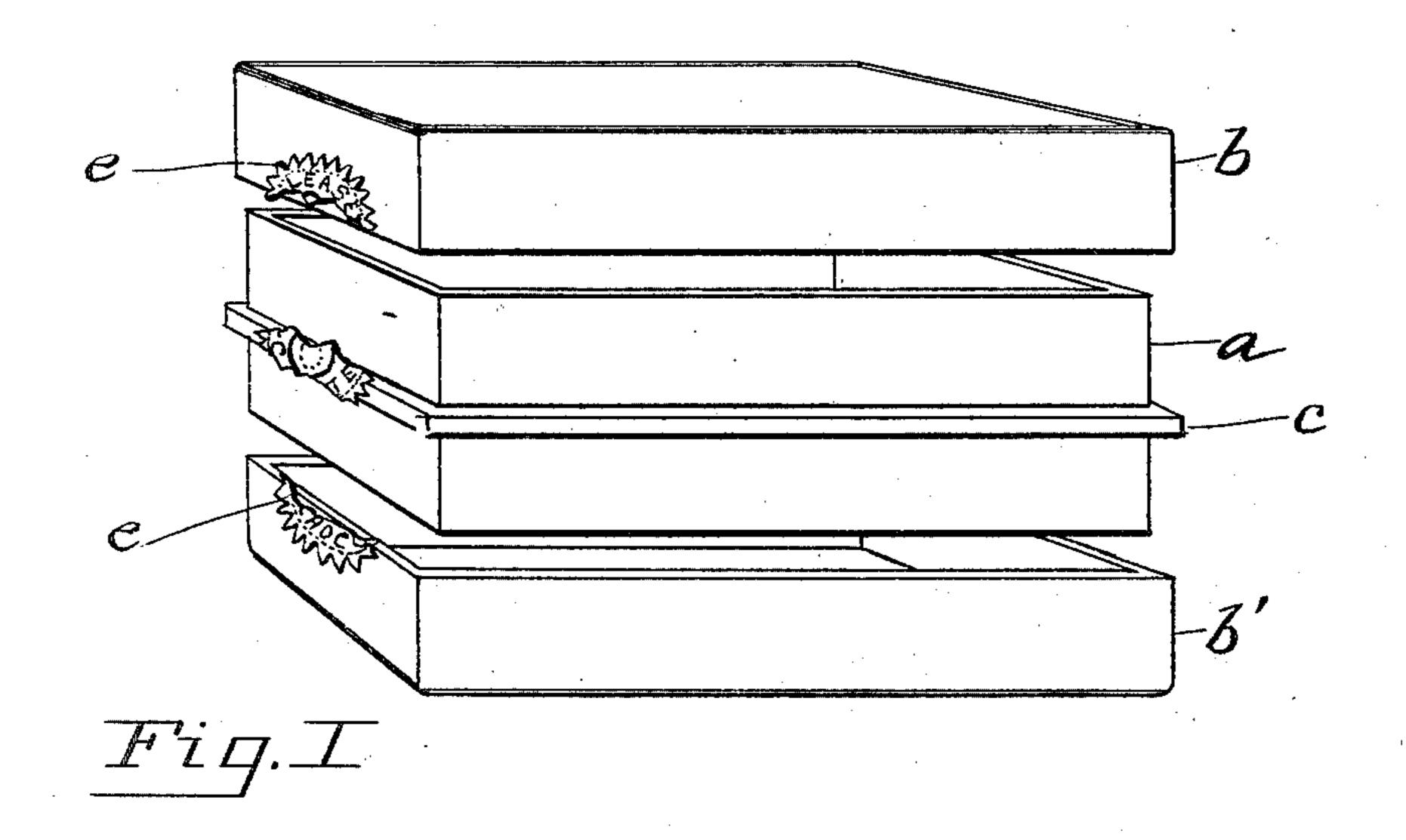
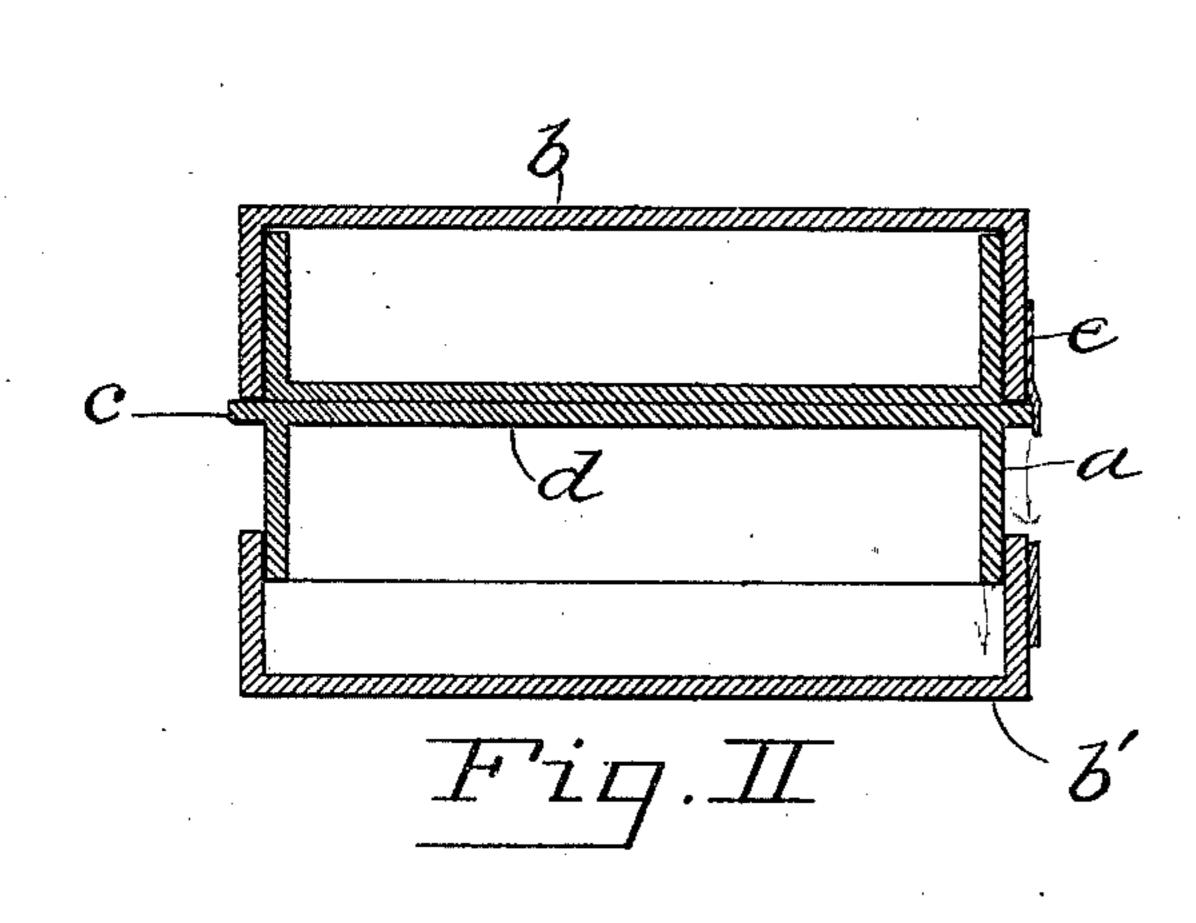
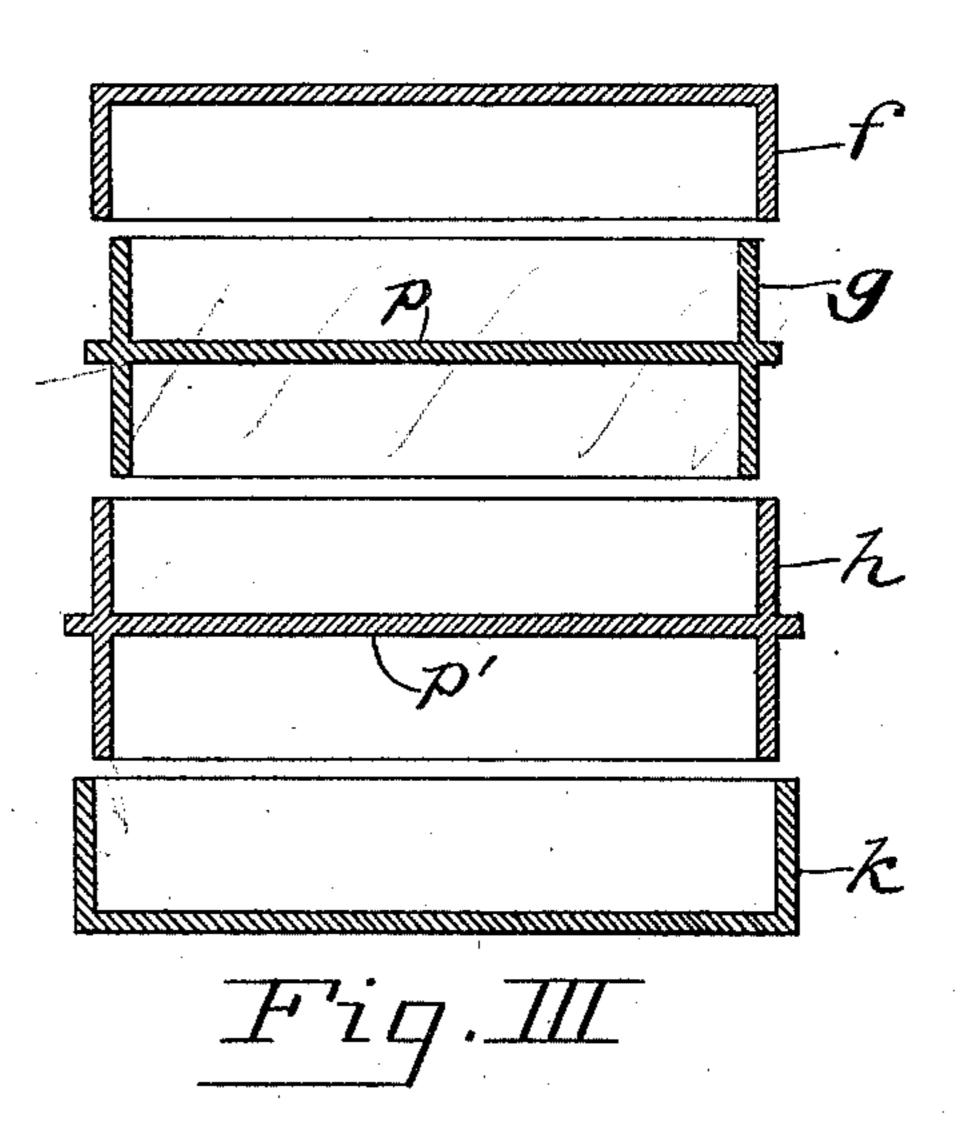
## W. H. LEASE. CANDY BOX.

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## CANDY-BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. LEASE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cincinnati, in the State of Ohio, have invented 5 a certain new and useful Construction for a Candy-Box, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to fancy tin or cardboard packages for packing confections and 10 the like; and it consists, primarily, in a box provided with several telescoping closures or lids and having internal partitions dividing the space in the box, so that a portion of the contents can be opened without disturbing 15 the remainder, and also preventing the several layers of the contents from resting on and bruising each other.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure I is a perspective view of the box shown with the 20 two lids displaced. Fig. II is a cross-section through the box with one cover seated in place and one cover partially removed. Fig. III is a section showing a modified form of box having more than two compartments, the

25 parts being separated.

The box proper, a, as shown in Figs. I and II, is provided with a central partition d, dividing it into two compartments, and each compartment has a cap-closure b b', which 30 telescopes over the part a. The box a in said Fig. II is formed of two oppositely-facing boxes or members with their bottoms united, and these united bottoms form the central fixed partition d of the box as a whole. The 35 partition has an outside extension or flange c, and when closed the end caps are seated on this flange and a seal e is pasted over all, being stuck to both lids and to the flange c, as shown in Fig. I. By this means two great 40 advantages are gained. One side of the box b may be opened by breaking the seal above the flange c, while the other side b' remains intact; also, the two layers of candy are independently supported and prevented from 45 resting upon one another, crushing, or bruis-

ing. Not only is the appearance of the box much improved by having the closure edges. at the center and all parts flush with the flange of the partition c, but this also makes 50 it convenient to seal securely by simply past-

ing a wafer e on the end or side of the box, fastening both lids on in such a manner that either lid can be opened without breaking the seal of the other. By using several of the boxes together, g h, with covers fk, (indi- 55) cated at Fig. III,) any number of compartments may be had, and each may be independently sealed, as will be evident.

I am aware that confections have been packed in layers with false bottoms intro- 60 duced between the layers; but in this the weight of each layer is sustained by the layers below and not independently supported.

Boxes having more than one compartment, such as that shown in the patent to Browne, 65 No. 122,558, January 9, 1872, have also been used, and I do not broadly claim such construction; but,

Having thus described my invention, what I do desire to secure by Letters Patent and 70

claim is the following:

1. A box having two equal compartments on opposite sides of a fixed central partition, two telescoping covers fitting over said compartments and of equal height therewith and 75 fitting flush against their rims and against a flange formed by extending the said partition outside the walls of the box on all sides, as described and for the purpose set forth.

2. A box open at both ends and divided by 80 a central fixed partition into two compartments, an outside flange in line with the partition and two telescoping covers, each cover being of the same height as the compartment it closes.

3. The open-ended box a provided with fixed central partition d, the projecting flange c of the same thickness as the partition, the two telescoping covers b b' of the same height as the compartments, and sealed by a single 90 wafer e pasted at once on the box-flange and the two covers.

In testimony whereof I have hereunder signed my name in the presence of the two subscribed witnesses.

WILLIAM H. LEASE.

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