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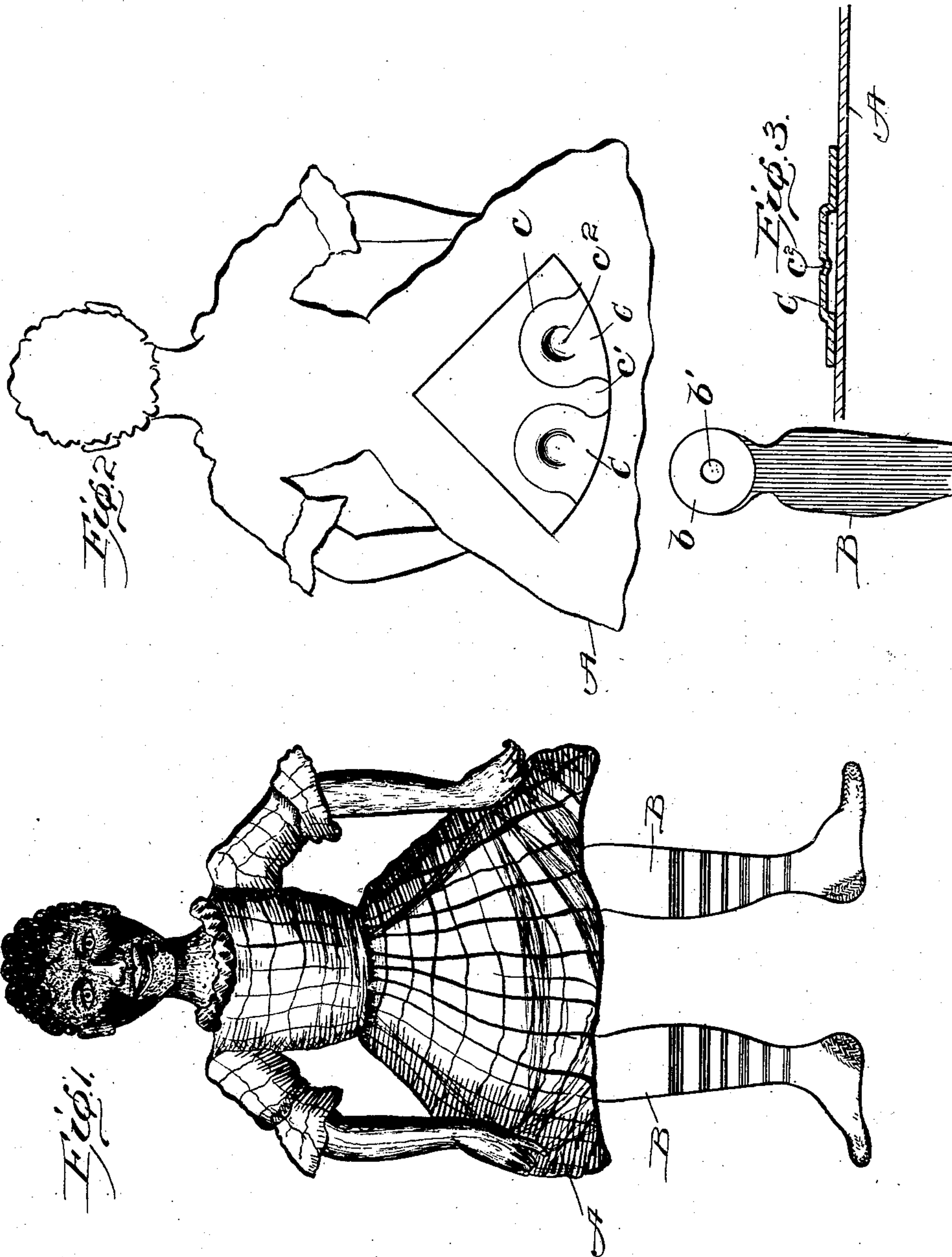
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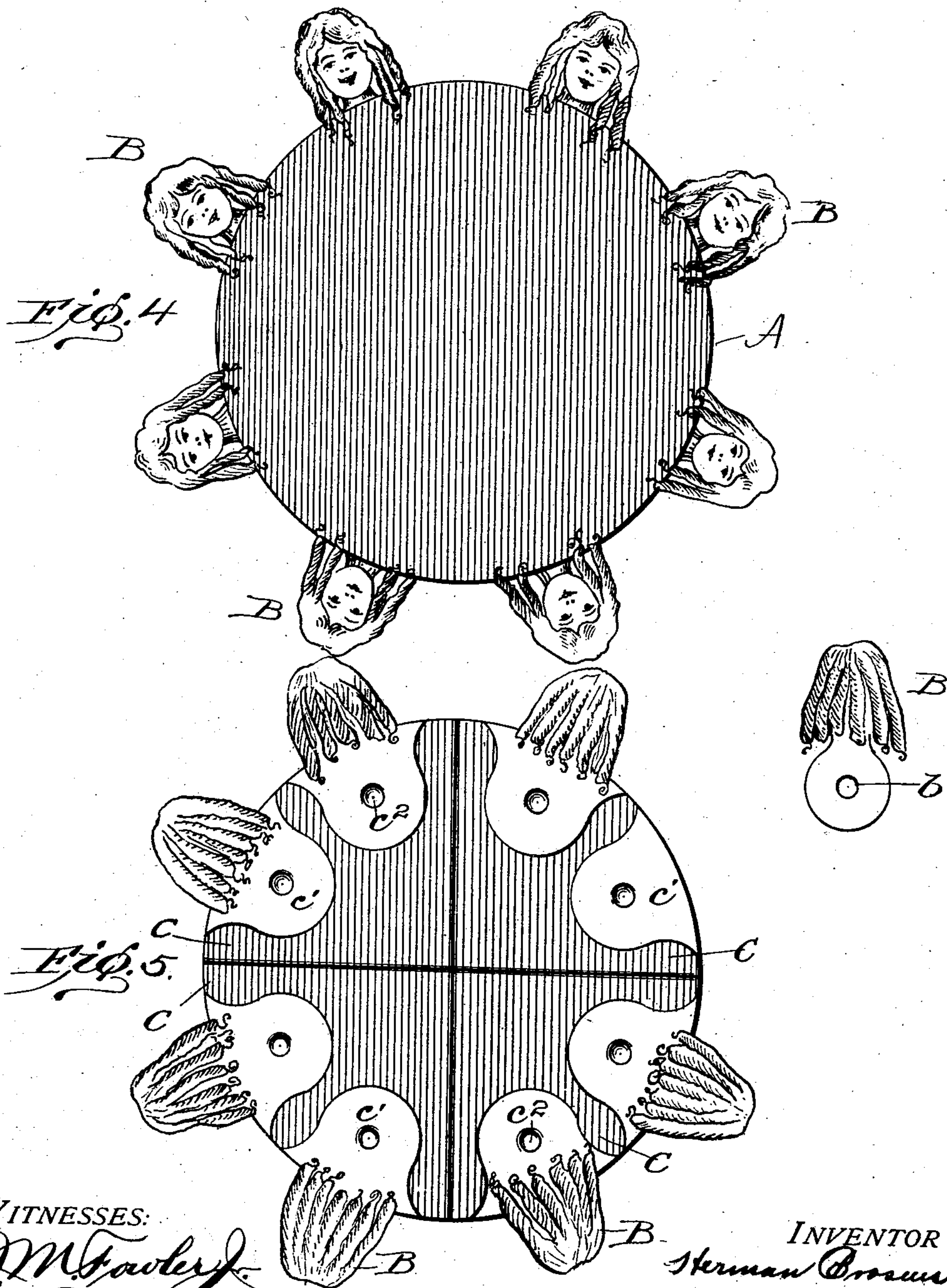
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMAN BROSIUS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Display-Cards, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to display-cards for advertising and also for exhibiting patterns; and it consists in forming out of cardboard in any desirable shape a body portion, the face of which is adapted for lithographing or printing, while the back portion has pasted thereon an embossed piece of cardboard, which forms between said back and the embossed portion a recess adapted to receive a cardboard member and a bearing which registers with a perforation in said member, thereby forming a joint or coupling which admits of moving the member and of detachably connecting the same from the body portion.

In the accompanying drawings I have shown my invention as applied to a paper doll, in which the body portion of the display-card represents the upper portion of the figure of a doll and the member which forms the joint therewith represents the leg of a doll clothed in stockings of various patterns. This application of my invention is shown in Figures 1, 2, and 3. I do not confine myself to any particular shape of body portion or member therefor, and in Fig. 4 a different application of my invention is shown, adopting therein a disk-shaped body portion with figures of heads attached as members.

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of a doll with legs attached. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the body of a doll with legs detached, one leg being shown ready for attachment. Fig. 3 is a section taken on the line 2 2 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a face view of a disk-shaped body portion, and Fig. 5 is a rear view of the same.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, A denotes the body portion of a doll, which is cut or stamped out of cardboard, giving in outline the figure of a dressed woman or doll from the knees upward with the arms akimbo. This body portion is lithographed or printed in colors to depict the doll in the

act of holding up its clothes to the knees, disclosing the full length of the stockings.

B denotes the members or legs, cut out of cardboard and printed in colors to represent patterns of stockings, several pairs of legs printed in various patterns being furnished with each doll.

b denotes the joint of the member or leg, which is disk-shaped and provided with a perforation b'.

C denotes a piece of cardboard stamped or embossed to form semicircular depressions c upon its inner face which register with the disk-shaped knee-joints and terminate with flaring sides at the lower ends or edges. The lower edge of the piece C is cut in the arc of a circle, and said piece is pasted by its flat surfaces to the back of the body portion, with its arc-shaped portion or edge adjacent to the lower edge of the skirt. Thus the piece C is held by two sides, upper portion, and tongue c' or middle portion to the back of the body portion, leaving two semicircular recesses between the back of the body portion and the piece C, in which the knee-joints of the legs are inserted, as hereinafter mentioned.

c² denotes depressions which are embossed or stamped in the centers of the semicircular depressions c, forming indentations which project inwardly in the space formed between semicircular depressions c and the back of the body portion. Said indentations c² form bearings which register with the perforations b' in the knee-joints of the legs.

The members are secured to the body portion by pressing the disk-shaped ends into the semicircular recesses until the perforations b' engage with the depressions or bearings c², thus forming the joint or union of body portion and member. The joints thus formed allow the member to move or turn sidewise, and owing to the elasticity of the parts and depressions c² the members are held in place against accidental removal, while they will readily yield to a downward pull and give place to a set of members having different patterns and shapes.

The body portion and its members may be made in various shapes and printed to represent different characters. In Figs. 4 and 5 I show a disk-shaped body portion with the

members thereof representing heads B. To the back of the body portion is pasted the cardboard pieces C, four in number, stamped or embossed, as before described, to form recesses. The members or heads have necks formed with the disk-shaped pieces, as shown in Fig. 5, which register with the recesses to form joints, as before mentioned.

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

1. In a display-card, the combination of the body portion, an auxiliary piece fastened to the back of the body portion having embossed on its inner side surface depressions which form when said parts are pasted together blind recesses between the rear surface of the body portion and said depressions, and members of said display-card having ends

adapted to fit said recesses and form a joint therewith which admits of a detachable connection.

2. In a display-card, the combination of a body portion, an auxiliary piece fastened to the back of the body portion provided with semicircular stamped or embossed depressions forming recesses at the back of the body portion and indentations in the center of said depressions forming bearings, and members of said display-card having ends adapted to fit into said recesses and perforated to register with said bearings.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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