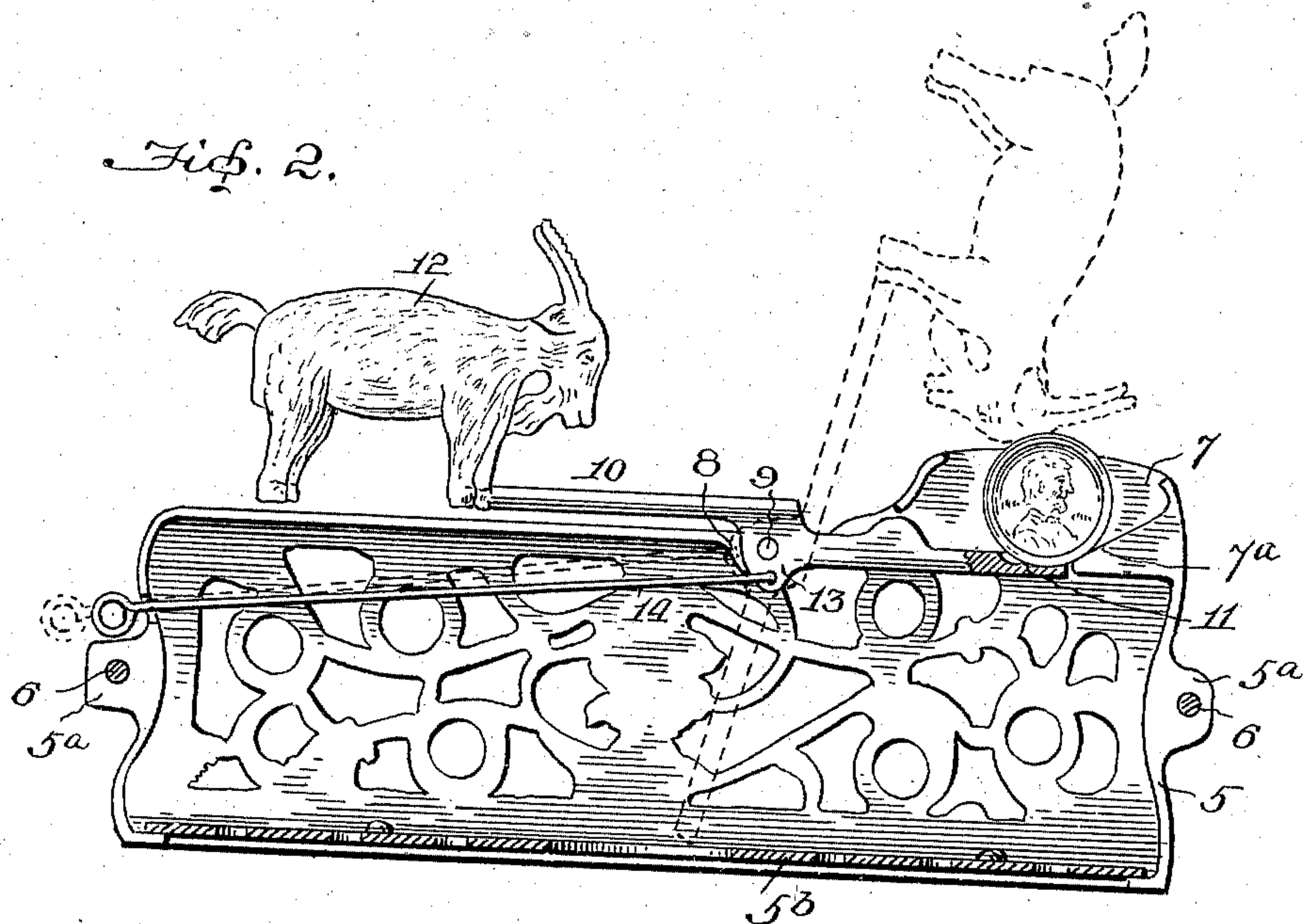
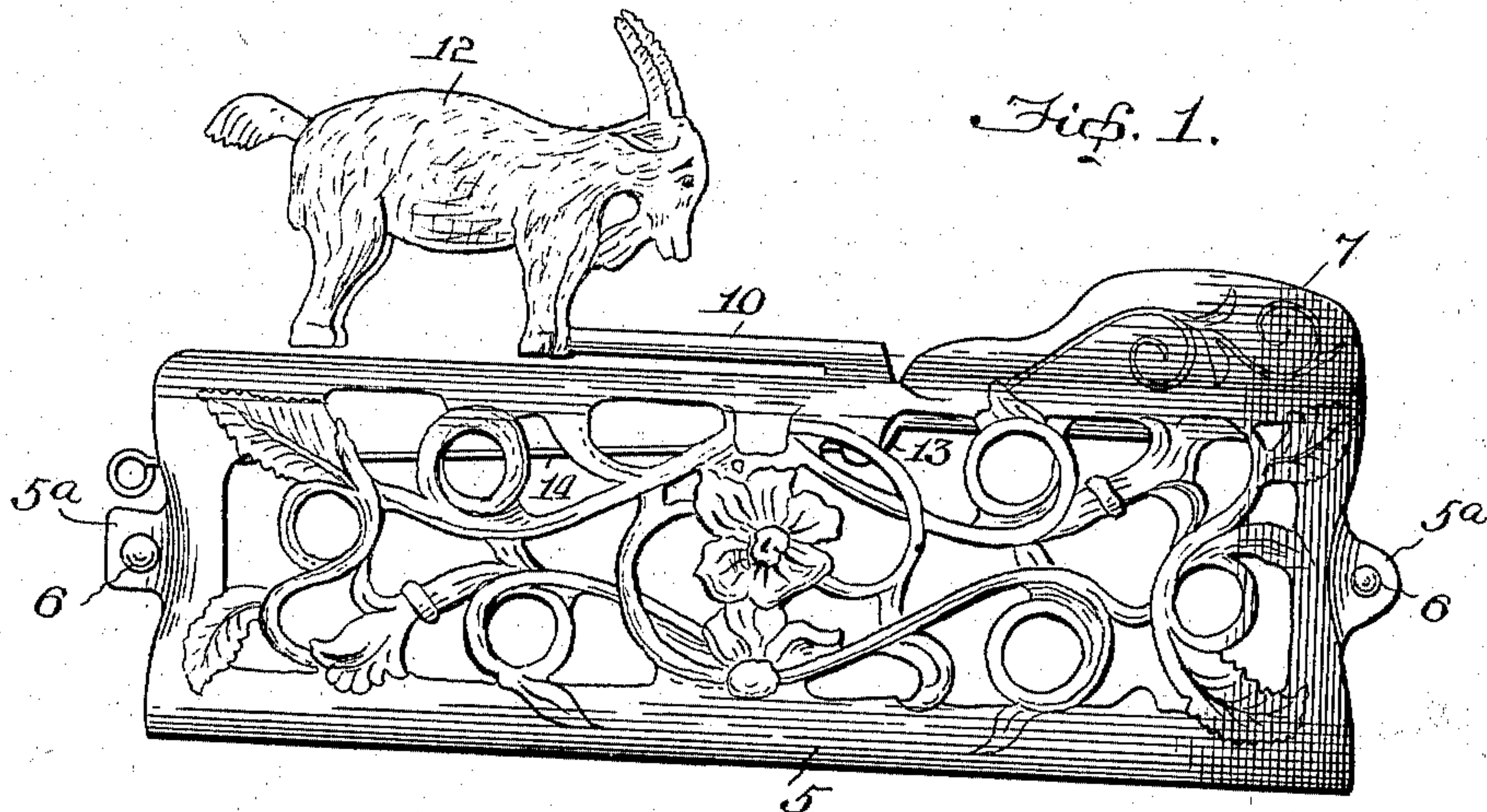


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. BAILEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cromwell, in the county of Middlesex and State of Connecticut, have invented certain Improvements in Toy Banks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is an improvement in toy-banks or money-boxes, of that particular class which are provided with mechanically-operated devices for the purpose of affording amusement and as an incentive to the depositing of coins in the bank or box.

The primary object of my present invention is to provide a toy-bank or money-box of this character with a moving figure and parts which coöperate to produce an amusing effect when a coin is inserted in the slot and the aforesaid parts operated to deposit the coin in the box.

In the present instance I provide a toy-bank or money-box, having a coin-slot at its upper end, with a lever pivoted near the coin-slot so that one end thereof may co-operate to temporarily support a coin in the slot, while the other end of said lever carries a figure, as a goat, together with a pull-wire for operating the lever, whereby when said lever is operated the coin will be deposited in the box and the figure moved to the coin-slot so that it will appear to push or butt the coin into the bank or box.

My invention consists in the particular construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter fully described and specifically set forth in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification: Figure 1 is a side elevation of a toy-bank or money-box, constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal sectional view through the bank or box.

Like numerals of reference indicate like parts in both figures of the drawings.

The body of the bank or money-box may be of any configuration desired, and either plain or suitably ornamented. In the present instance the bank or box is composed of two longitudinal sections or halves 5, 5, provided at their ends with corresponding attaching-flanges 5<sup>a</sup>, through which pass rivets 6 for securing the sections together. The bottom of the box is formed by a plate 5<sup>b</sup>, securely held in place when the sections are riveted together. At one end the sections are

extended upward, and said extensions spaced apart slightly to form a coin-slot 7, which latter may have an incline at its rear end. In front of the coin-slot the sections are provided with depending flanges or webs 8, to receive a pin 9, on which is pivoted a rod or lever 10, extending forwardly and rearwardly of the pivot, the forwardly projecting portion being adapted to normally lie above and parallel with the upper edge of the bank or box, while the rearwardly-projecting portion is on a lower horizontal plane and normally closes the lower end of the coin-slot, said rearwardly-projecting portion of the lever having a groove or depression 11, which receives the coin. At the forward end of the rod or lever 10 is attached a suitable figure, in the present instance representing a goat, which faces the slot.

For the purpose of operating the rod or lever it is provided at its pivot-point with a depending portion 13, to which is attached an operating-wire 14, which extends to and projects through the front end of the bank or box, and is provided with an eye, as shown forming a grasping portion. The operating end of the pull-wire is preferably located immediately above the attaching-flanges 5<sup>a</sup>, at the front end of the bank or box.

The forwardly-projecting portion of the rod or lever, to the outer end of which the figure of the goat is attached, is of such length with respect to the pivot point or connection to the bank or box and location of the coin-slot, that when said lever is turned the head of the figure will move against the outer edges of the coin-slot, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2, and, as will be obvious, the said figure, or goat, will therefore appear to jump at the coin and butt it into the bank, the coin resting in the slot upon the rear end of the lever until the latter is operated.

It will be understood, of course, that some other figure may be used in connection with the operating parts described, but it will be apparent that the figure of a goat will produce the most amusing effect.

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

1. In a toy bank or money box having a coin-slot at its upper end, of a rod or lever pivoted in front of the coin-slot and ex-



tended forwardly and rearwardly of its pivot, the rear end of said rod or lever closing the lower end of the coin-slot, a figure carried at the forward end of the rod or lever and adapted to move to the coin-slot when the rod or lever is operated, together with means for operating the rod or lever.

2. In a toy bank or money box having a coin-slot at its upper end, of a rod or lever pivoted in front of the coin-slot and extended forwardly and rearwardly of its pivot, the rear end of said rod or lever closing the lower end of the coin-slot and the forward portion lying above the bank or box, a figure carried at the forward end of the rod or lever and adapted to be moved to the coin-slot when the rod or lever is operated, and an operating-wire connected at one end to the rod or lever near its pivot and at its other end extended through the forward end of the bank or box, substantially as shown and described.

3. In a toy bank or money box, the com-

bination with a box having a coin-slot at its upper rear end and an incline in the lower end of the slot, a lever pivoted in front of the coin-slot and extended both forwardly and rearwardly of its pivot, the rear portion being located within the box and adapted to normally close the lower end of the coin-slot and the front portion located above the box, a figure attached to the outer end of the forward portion of the lever and adapted to move to the coin-slot when the lever is turned upon its pivot, and an operating-wire connected to the lever adjoining its pivot and extended through the box, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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