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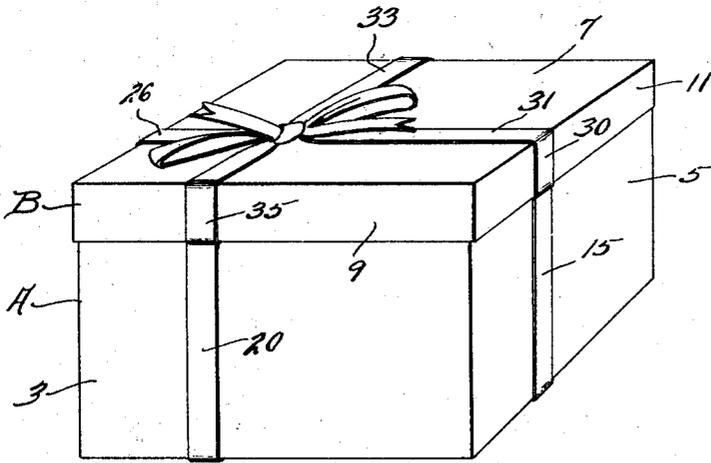
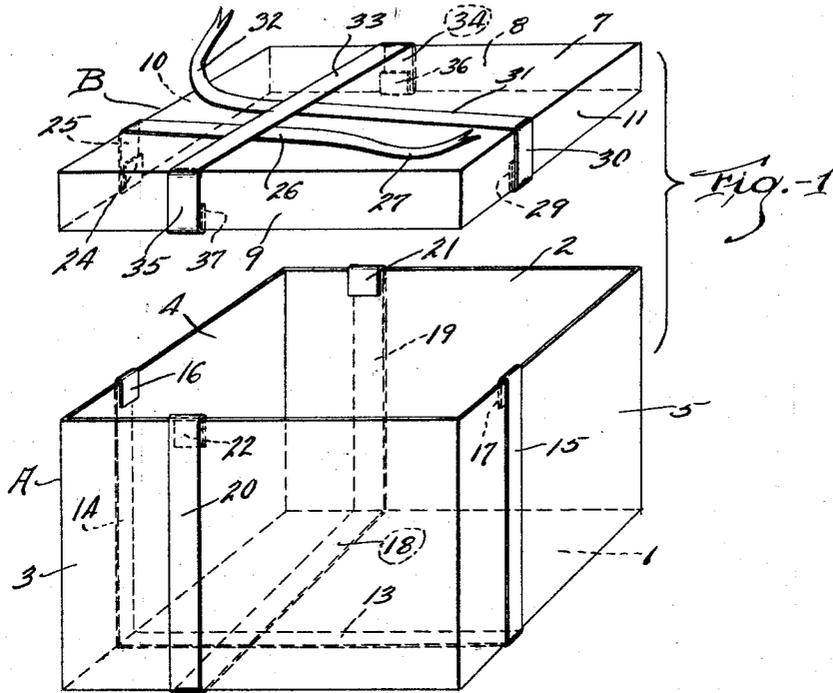


Fig. 2

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This invention relates to a cardboard box having two telescopically related parts, a bottom part and a cover part, to which parts are secured, for purposes of decoration, relatively narrow strips of ribbon. When the two parts are properly assembled in telescopic relation, the ribbons of the cover part are in alignment with the ribbons of the bottom part, thereby producing the effect of a box having its parts secured together by one or two ribbons encircling the box in opposite directions.

The general object of the present invention is the provision of a cardboard box of the character described having five strips of ribbon secured to the two parts thereof, two strips to the bottom part and three to the cover part, two of the strips of said cover part having free end portions adapted to be tied in a bow.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a box of the character described which is attractive in appearance and simple and inexpensive to manufacture.

Further objects of the invention are in part obvious and in part will appear more in detail hereinafter.

In the drawing, Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a cardboard box embodying the present invention, the cover and bottom parts of the box being separated; and Fig. 2 is a similar view with the two parts of the box assembled in telescopic relation and with the free end portions of two of the ribbons of the cover part tied together in a bow.

The box illustrated in the drawing comprises a bottom part A and a cover part B, said parts being of any suitable size and shape, such as square, and of any suitable sheet material, such as cardboard.

The bottom part of the box includes a bottom 1, opposed side walls 2 and 3 and opposed side walls 4 and 5. The cover part of the box includes a top 7, opposed side walls 8 and 9 adapted for telescopic relation with the side

walls 2 and 3 of the box bottom part, and opposed side walls 10 and 11 adapted for telescopic relation with the side walls 4 and 5 of the box bottom part.

Secured to the box bottom part are two strips of relatively narrow ribbon, the intermediate portion 13 of one ribbon extending along the lower surface of the bottom 1 and the end portions 14 and 15 thereof extending vertically along the outer surfaces of the side walls 4 and 5 respectively, the extreme ends 16 and 17 of said end portions being respectively glued or otherwise suitably secured to the inner surfaces of the side walls 4 and 5 at the tops thereof. The intermediate portion 18 of the other ribbon extends along the lower surface of the bottom 1 at substantially right angles to the intermediate portion 13 of the first ribbon and the end portions 19 and 20 thereof extend vertically along the outer surfaces of the side walls 2 and 3 respectively, the extreme ends 21 and 22 of said end portions being respectively glued or otherwise suitably secured to the inner surfaces of the side walls 2 and 3 at the tops thereof.

Secured to the cover part of the box are three strips of relatively narrow ribbon which are so positioned or arranged that when the two parts of the box are assembled in telescopic relation, as indicated in Fig. 2, the ribbons of the cover part are in vertical alignment with the ribbons of the bottom part. One ribbon of the cover part has an end 24 glued or otherwise suitably secured to the inner surface of the side wall 10 at the bottom thereof, a portion 25 extending vertically along the outer surface of said side wall 10, and a portion 26 extending along the upper surface of the top 7 and terminating in an end portion 27 free of connection to the box cover part. A second ribbon has an end 29 glued or otherwise suitably secured to the inner surface of the side wall 11 at the bottom thereof, a portion 30 extending vertically along the outer surface

of said side wall 11, and a portion 31 extending along the upper surface of the top 7 and terminating in an end portion 32 free of connection to the box cover part. The
 5 third ribbon has its intermediate portion 33 extending along the upper surface of the top 7 above the ribbon portions 26 and 31, its end portions 34 and 35 extending vertically along
 10 the outer surfaces of the side walls 8 and 9 respectively and its extreme ends 36 and 37 respectively glued or otherwise suitably secured to the inner surfaces of the side walls 8 and 9 at the bottoms thereof, all as clearly indicated in Fig. 1.

15 The free end portions 27 and 32 of two of the cover ribbons are adapted to be tied together in a bow, as indicated in Fig. 2, which bow is preferably tied by a clerk after merchandise has been placed in the bottom part
 20 of the box for delivery to a customer. By leaving the free end portions of these cover ribbons untied until this time, the cover part of the box can be more conveniently shipped or stored and the bow is in a freshly tied
 25 condition when the box reaches the customer, as will be readily understood.

When the bottom and cover parts of the box are assembled in telescopic relation, as indicated in Fig. 2, the vertically extending
 30 ribbon portions 25, 30, 34 and 35 of the cover part are in alignment with the vertically extending ribbon portions 14, 15, 19 and 20 of the bottom part, so that there is produced the desired effect of a two-piece box hav-
 35 ing its parts secured together by one or two ribbons encircling the box from opposite directions.

With the two parts of the box in such assembled relation, the ends 24, 29, 34 and 35
 40 of the three cover ribbons are held between the outer surfaces of the four side walls of the box bottom part and the inner surfaces of the four side walls of the box cover part; and the ends 16, 17, 21 and 22 of the two ribbons of the box bottom part are positioned
 45 within the box. Therefore, if any of these ends should become detached from the box, they would still be held in proper position until the cover part was removed.

50 What I claim is:

1. A box cover structure, comprising a box cover and three ribbons associated therewith,
 55 each of two of said ribbons having an end permanently secured to said cover and a free end, the third ribbon having both of its ends permanently secured to said cover, the free ends of said two ribbons being tied in a bow about said third ribbon.

2. A structure as set forth in claim 1,
 60 characterized in that the third ribbon extends substantially normal to said two ribbons after the free ends of said two ribbons have been connected in a bow.

3. A box cover structure, comprising a box
 65 cover and three ribbons associated therewith,

each of two of said ribbons having an end permanently secured to said cover and a free end, the third ribbon having both of its ends permanently secured to said cover and its intermediate portion overlying portions of
 70 said two ribbons, the free ends of said two ribbons being tied in a bow about the intermediate portion of said third ribbon.

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