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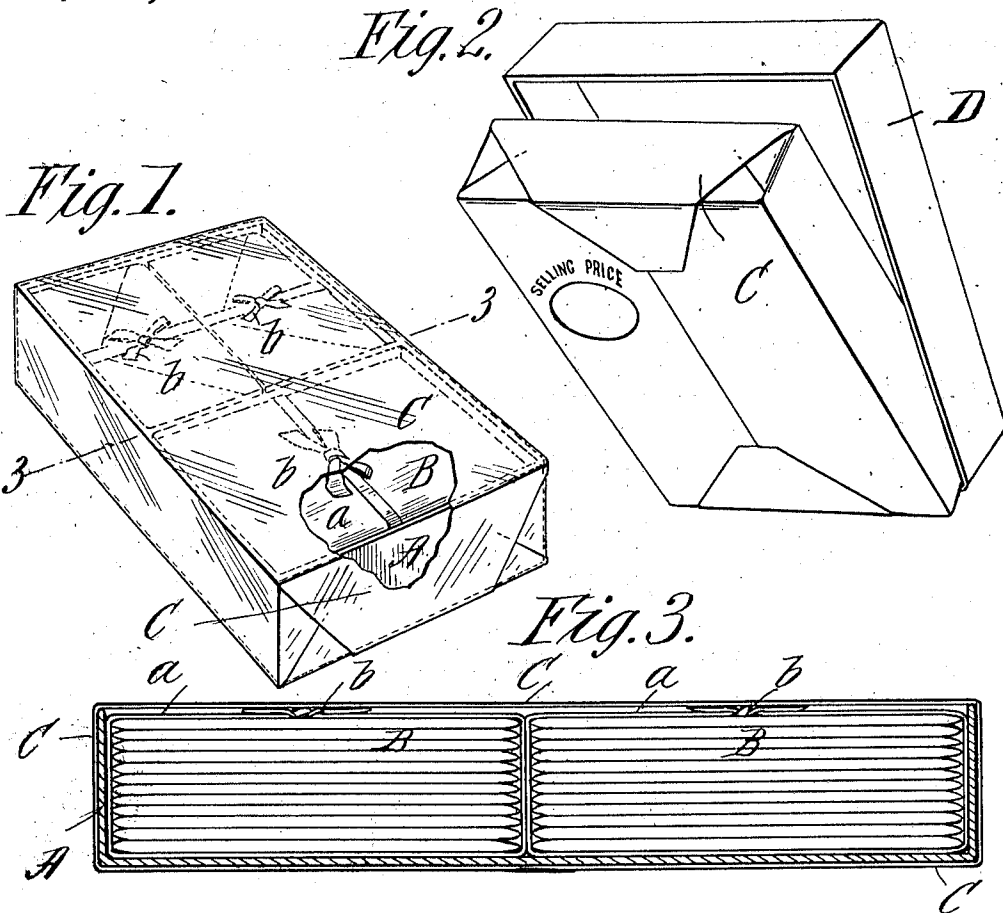
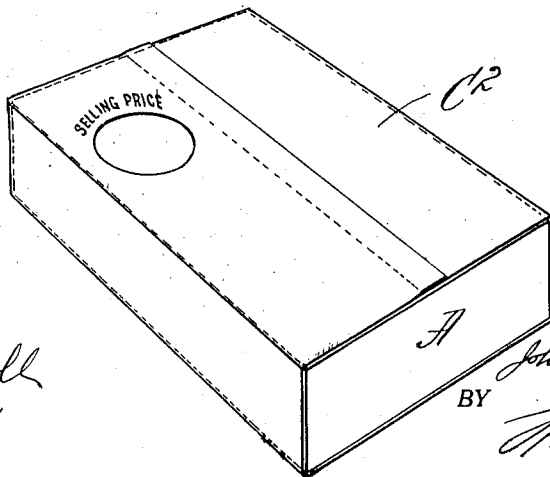


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN F. HITCHCOCK, a citizen of the United States of America, and resident of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Merchandise-Receptacles, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention for improvements in merchandise packets comprises an open-top box or receptacle in which the contents or articles of sale are contained, a sheath or covering of sheet material,—and preferably a transparent sheet material such as glacé paper,—which incloses and covers the bottom, sides and open top of the packet and through which the contents of the box, protected by said covering, are visible; and the packet, furthermore, usually comprises a telescopic cover for inclosing the top and sides of the transparent sheath inclosing covering.

By making use of a packet such as above indicated and for the display of various articles, such, for instance, as paper and envelopes, silk, confectionery, fancy crackers, etc., the articles in the packets proper may, when the telescopic cover of the box is removed, be plainly visible through the transparent sheath or covering so that the full attractiveness of the goods may be perceived, and yet the articles are effectually protected from injury by being touched by the fingers of salesmen or customers, and from dust, dirt and moisture.

An exemplification of the invention is given in the accompanying drawings in which:—

Figure 1 represents a box containing fancy stationery provided for which is the covering of transparent sheet material through which the contents of the box and the character of such contents are visible, the telescopic cover for the box being absent; Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the packet as seen at the under portion, the telescopic cover being partially separated from the box proper; Fig. 3 is a cross sectional view as

taken on the line 3—3, Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the under side of a merchandise receptacle showing an inclosed sheath of slightly different form and as will be hereinafter referred to.

Similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all of the views.

In the drawings,—A represents an ordinary open top box, such as a common stationery box, and B represents stationery therein comprising envelopes encircled by silk bands *a* and tied with bow knots *b*.

C represents a covering of transparent sheet material such as "glacé paper" which incloses and covers the bottom, sides and open top of the receptacle A and through which the contents, and the character of the contents, protected by said covering, are visible without the removal of the covering.

For the open-top receptacle covered or inclosed by the transparent sheet material, a telescopic cover D of a usual form is provided.

The merchandise packages put up at the factory and displayed in a store are of such character as to thoroughly protect from becoming soiled or otherwise injured, the contents of the box proper and yet by the mere removal of the telescopic cover the stationery or whatever articles of sale are contained in the box are clearly discernible.

In the drawings, Figs. 1 and 2, the covering C, which, as before stated, is glacé paper or like transparent sheet material is employed as a complete wrapping for the top, bottom, opposite sides, and opposite ends of the box A; but, as represented in Fig. 4, the covering C² is indicated as a tubular sheath which may be slipped on and about, and whenever desired, slid off from the box and its contents, and this sheath while preferably composed of transparent sheet material need not necessarily, and for the acquirement of some of the advantages accruing under this invention, be transparent material.

I claim:—

A device of the character described, consisting of an open-top receptacle, a trans-

parent sheet material inclosing and covering the bottom, sides and open top of the receptacle and through which the contents of the box, protected by said covering, are
5 visible, and an imperforate telescopic cover for inclosing the top and sides of the transparent sheath inclosed receptacle.

Signed by me at N. Y. city, N. Y., in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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