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Fig. 1.

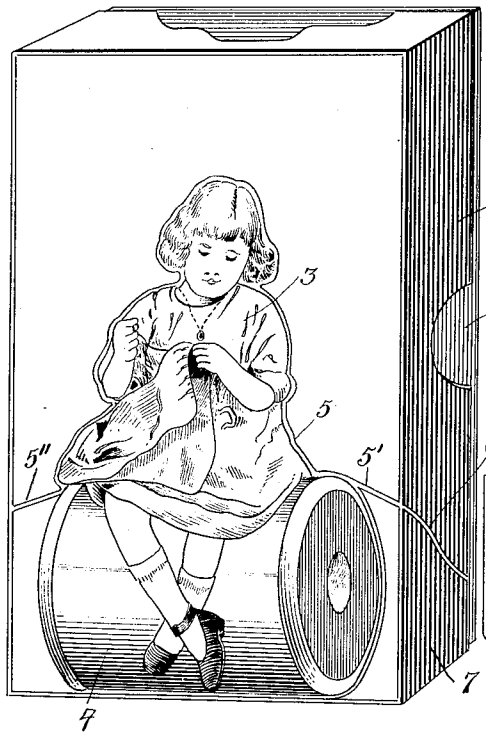


Fig. 3.

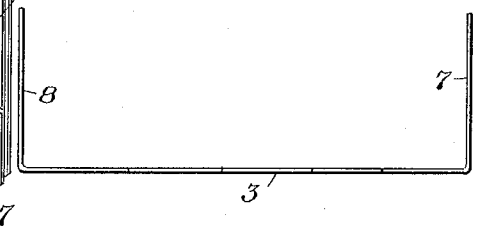
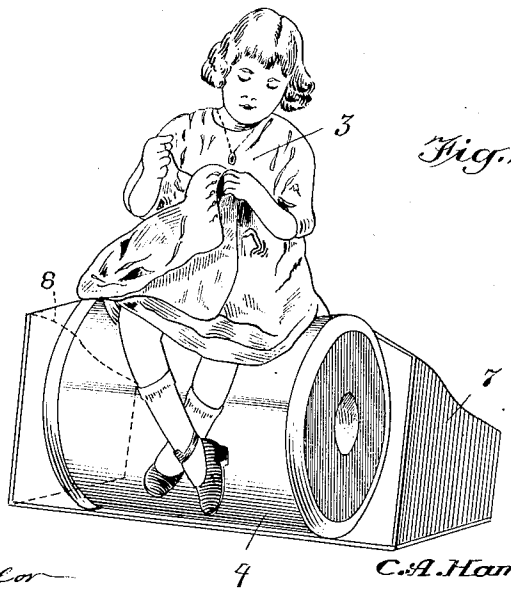


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CLARENCE A. HAMMOND-KNOWLTON, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Watertown, in the county of Litchfield and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and Improved Combined Box and Toy, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to a combined box and toy wherein the structure is such that the device may be used at one time as a box and may be cut in a certain way for producing a toy.

The object of the invention is to provide a combined box and toy so that the device may be used as a box for shipping goods and then cut to produce one or more toys.

A further object of the invention is to provide an ornamentation for a box, which is so arranged on the box as to be readily cut therefrom in such manner as to produce a toy.

In the accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a box disclosing an embodiment of the invention;

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the toy or cutout figure removed from the box; and

Figure 3 is a top plan view of the structure shown in Figure 2.

Referring to the accompanying drawings by numeral, 1 indicates an ordinary box which is provided with a lid 2 designed to telescope thereover. The box 1 is intended to be used as a carton for holding goods of any desired kind, as for instance, silk thread. When silk thread is arranged in the box 1 a suitable picture 3 is provided on the cover 2, the figure of the picture 3 being arranged to properly co-act with the representation of a spool carrying silk thread. In the drawing the figure of a girl is shown sitting on a spool of thread, said figure being illustrated with a piece of goods, a needle and a section of silk thread, the pose being that of the girl sewing. In case darning yarn was used in the box 1, a suitable figure would be provided with a spool or container of darning cotton shown as member 4. If some other line of goods is placed in the box 1 the figure 3 and the member 4 would be changed accordingly. It is also evident that different figures could be used with the spool 4 as illustrated. By arranging the figure 3 as shown in Figure 1 and associating the same with the spool 4, a picture of the goods in the box is presented and at the same time a very desirable cover is presented which will illustrate not only the goods in the box, but how it is to be used. In addition to illustrating the goods in the box the figure is so arranged on the lid that a line of cutting 5 may be provided which follows the outline of the figure and at a suitable point extends to the edge of the cover and provides sections 5′ and 5″. These sections merge into cutting lines 6 on the opposite edges of the cover 2 so that when a person cuts along the line 5 including the sections 5′, 5″ and 6, not only will the figure 3 be cut out, but also the illustration of the spool 4 and suitable supporting braces 7 and 8. When the figure and spool has been cut out as just described, a doll will be the result as illustrated in Figure 2, said doll being represented as sitting on a spool of thread. As different goods are designed to be sold in the box 1, said goods will be represented on the covers of the boxes by different figures. There will be a variety of dolls to be provided for the children of the household when the goods are used, all of the figures, however, being mechanically formed as shown in the accompanying drawings so that they may be cut out and set up to give the desired appearance.

I claim:

1. A combined box and toy, comprising a box for holding articles of merchandise, and a cover having depending side and end members, said cover having thereon a pictorial representation of the goods in the box and a picture of a person on the representation of the goods, and provided with a line of cutting following the contour of a portion of the picture and the pictorial representation and extending to the edges of the cover and over the depending side members thereof, whereby when the cover is severed on the said line a part of the picture and pictorial representation of the goods will be cut out and one end of the cover fashioned as a vertical support for the representation.

2. A combined box and toy, comprising a

box for holding thread and a cover having depending side and end members, said cover having produced thereon a pictorial representation of a spool of thread and of a girl sewing and sitting on the spool, and provided with a line of cutting, following the contour of a part of the girl and spool and extending to the edges of the cover and across the side member thereof, whereby when the cover is severed along said line a part of the figure and spool will be cut out and one end of the cover fashioned as a vertical support for the representation.

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