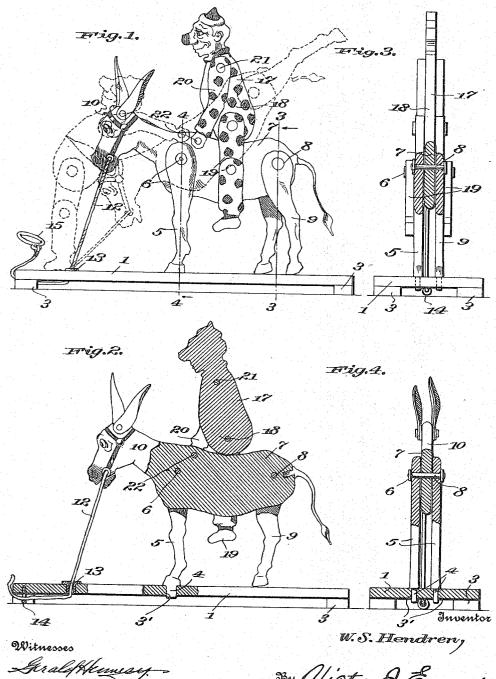
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER S. HENDREN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nicholasville, in the county of Jessamine and State of Kentucky, have invented new and useful Improvements in Toys, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to toys; and it has for its object the provision of a device of 10 this character which will include a grotesque jointed figure mounted so as to gravitationally assume one position normally and means for operating the figure whereby to cause the same to assume various acrobatic posi-15 tions.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a side view of the toy; Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section therethrough; Fig. 3 is a vertical section, taken on the line 25 3—3 of Fig. 1; Fig. 4 is a section taken on line 4—4 of Fig. 1.

Ine 4—4 of Fig. 1. In the embodiment of my invention, a platform 1 or equivalent support is employed and constructed of a thin strip of

- 30 board mounted at its corners on cleats 3
 whereby the board may be spaced from the object upon which the device is mounted, and the board rendered resonant, so as to permit sounds to emanate therefrom as will
 35 be hereinafter explained. The board is pro-
- 35 be hereinafter explained. The board is provided with a pair of vertical passages 3' in which are secured extensions 4 on the forelegs 5 of animal simulating object herein illustrated. The legs 5 are pivoted at 6 to
- illustrated. The legs 5 are pivoted at 6 to 40 the body portion of the object and at the rear the body portion 7 is pivoted at 8 to the hind-legs 9, the latter having their lower ends freely mounted upon the board 1, so that when the body of the object is tilted,
- 45 the legs 9 may be brought to knock there-against with a resultant emanation of tread-like sounds. The body 7 through the fact that its major portion is extended beyond the pivot 6 obviously permits the object to
 50 normally assume a standing position as shown in Fig. 1. The neck and head are extended beyond the fore-legs 5 so as to in effect form a lever so that when pull is ap-

plied to the head the body 7 may be tilted in a vertical direction as indicated in dotted 55 lines in Fig. 1.

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The head 10 has secured thereto one end of a cord 12, the latter being extended in a forward direction and accommodated in guides 13 and 14 mounted upon the board 1. 60 The cord 12 is provided with a free end which is extended beyond one end of the board 1 and secured to a ring 15 through which may be passed the finger to permit pull to be applied to the cord with a re- 65 sultant transmission of movement to the figure.

On the back of the animal figure herein shown is mounted a figure 17 simulating a clown and including a body 18, jointed limbs 70 19 and arms 20, the latter having pivotal connection at 21 with the body 18 and having pivotal connection at 22 with the body 7 at a point immediately at the rear of the pivot 6 between the legs 5 and the body 7 75 of the animal figure. The lower edge of the body 18 rests normally on the upper edge of the body 7 so as to permit the body 18 to readily occupy different positions along the upper edge of the body 7 when the latter is 80 tilted. Through this construction it is seen that when pull is applied to the operating cord 12, the animal figure may have transmitted thereto kicking-like movements, and under such movements the clown simulating 85 figure will be made to appear as performing various feats.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the 90 invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion and the minor details of construction may be resorted to without departing from the 95 principle or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention as claimed.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is:—

A toy comprising a platform, a figure 100 mounted thereabove and provided with a portion fixed thereto and including a jointed portion and a gravitationally-influenced body between the fixed portion and the jointed portion and operable to normally 105 maintain a standing position of the figure with the jointed portion thereof resting against the platform, and a jointed figure mounted upon the first figure and including arms pivoted to the body of the first figure
and a body pivoted to the arms and movable with relation to the body of the first figure and freely resting on the body thereof, the said second figure also including jointed legs adapted to be manipulated on the platform

under certain adjusted positions of the body 10 of the first figure.

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

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