

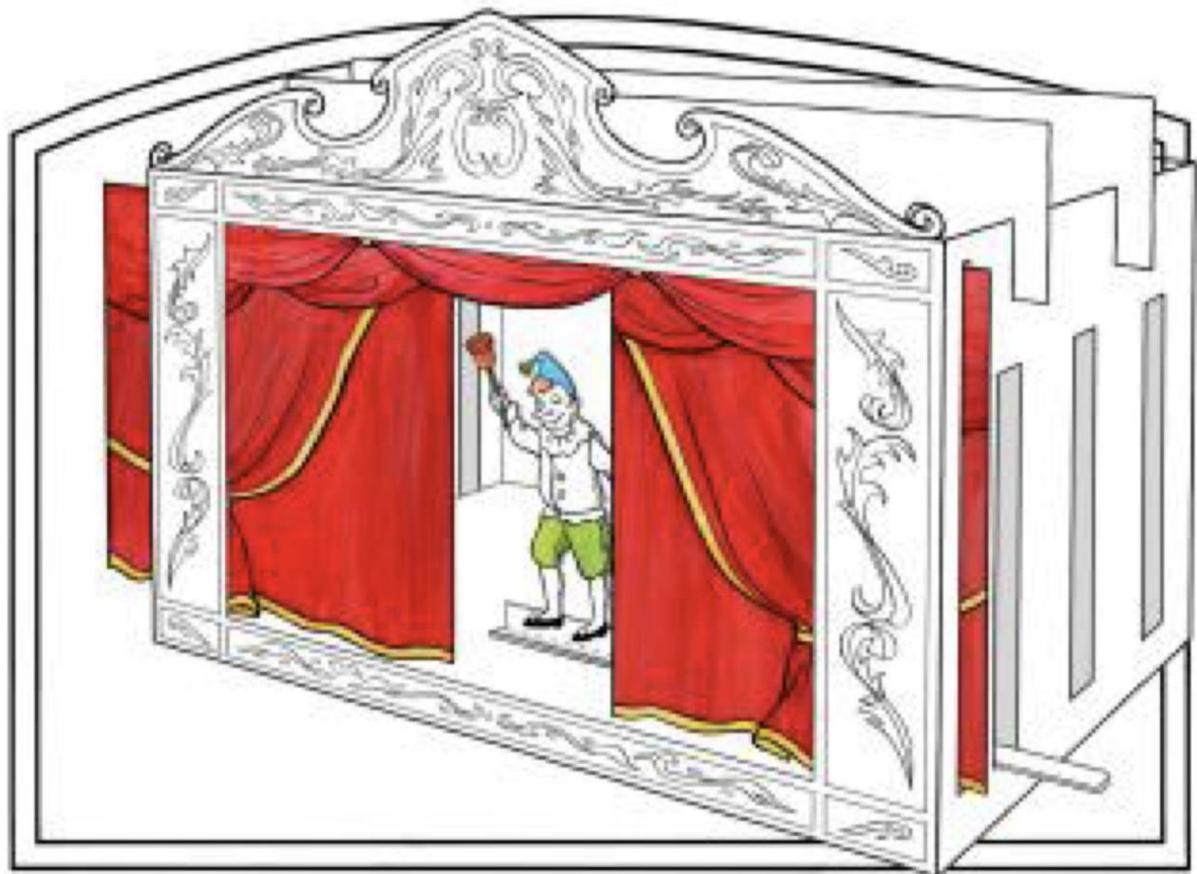


## Paper theatre Juvenile Drama

The paper theatre is a type of miniature theatre that used to be very popular in European upper-middle class circles during the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Miniature stages, prosceniums (the area around the theatre stage), scenery, characters and props were printed onto paper from copper plates and sold by publishers and stationers as individual sheets.

You could buy 'a Penny Plain, or a Tuppence Coloured'. These could be cut out, pasted onto card or wood and then painted - if the child had decided to plump for the cheaper, uncoloured option.

From Victorian melodramas to pantomimes and historical romances, children had a wide range of plays to choose from. The 'actors' were mounted onto little tin slides and were pushed onto the stage from the side wings. Sometimes, a play might include exciting stage tricks and effects as in *The Miller and his Men* (1835), which included moving water and, disturbingly, rather realistic explosions.





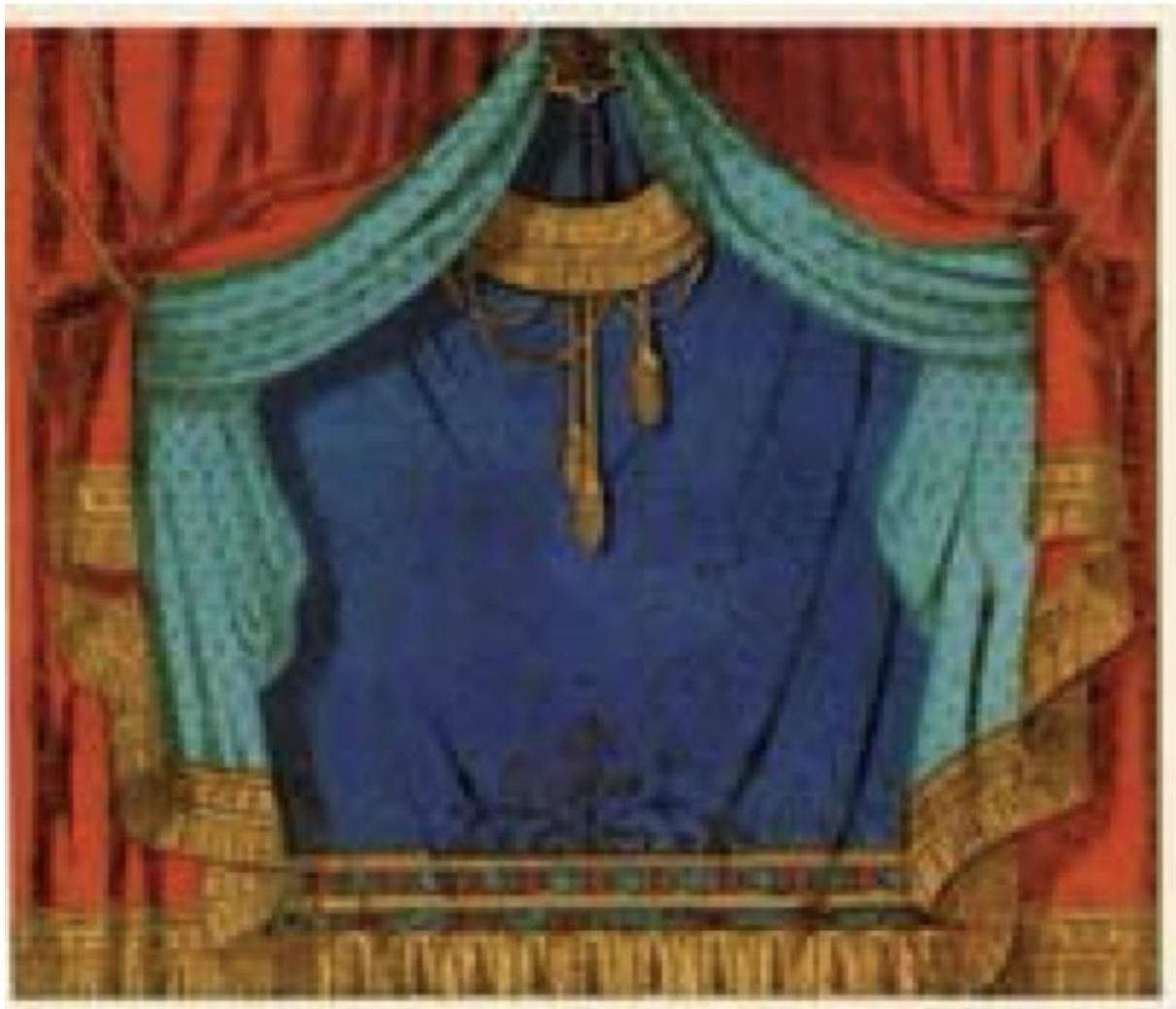


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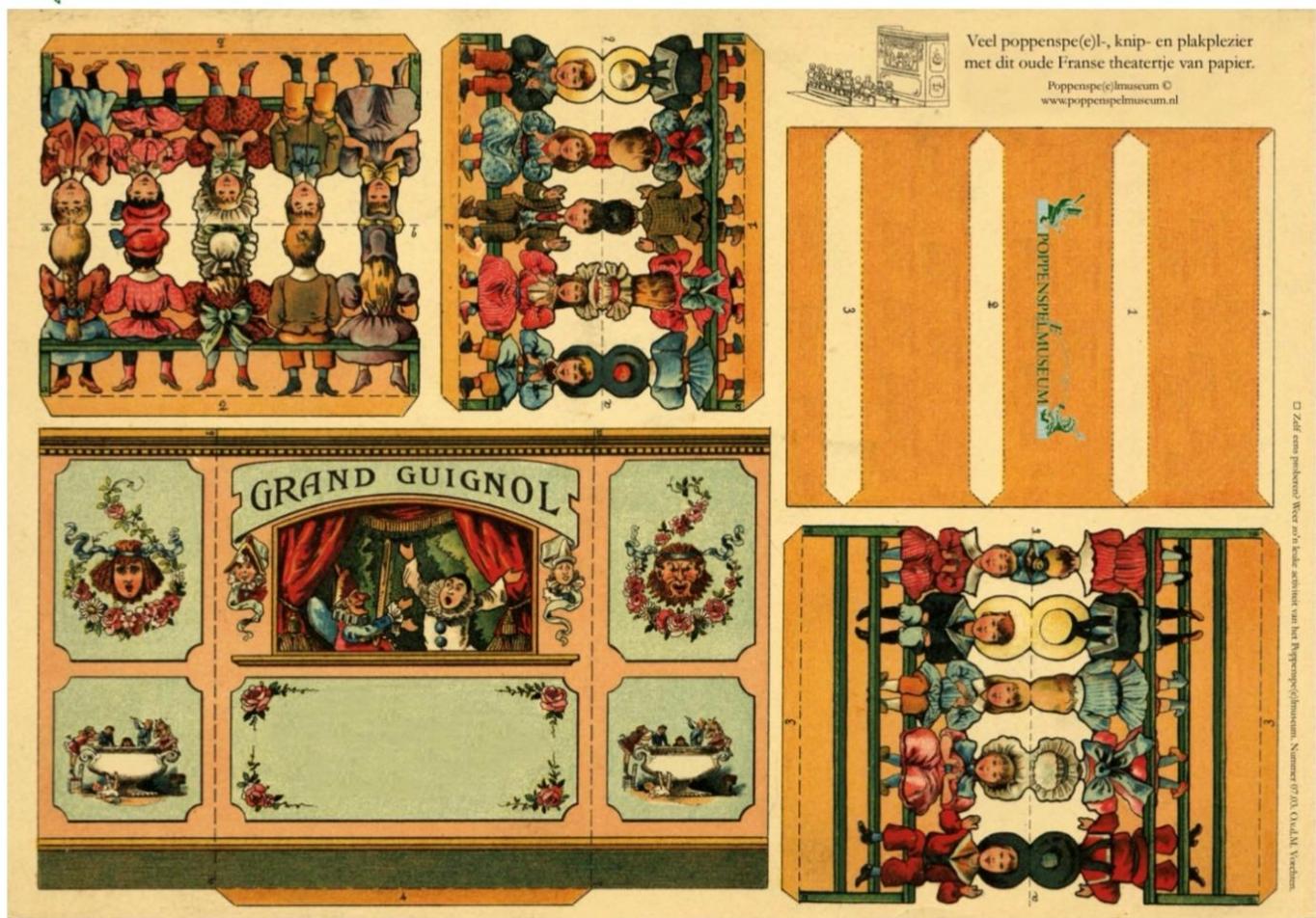


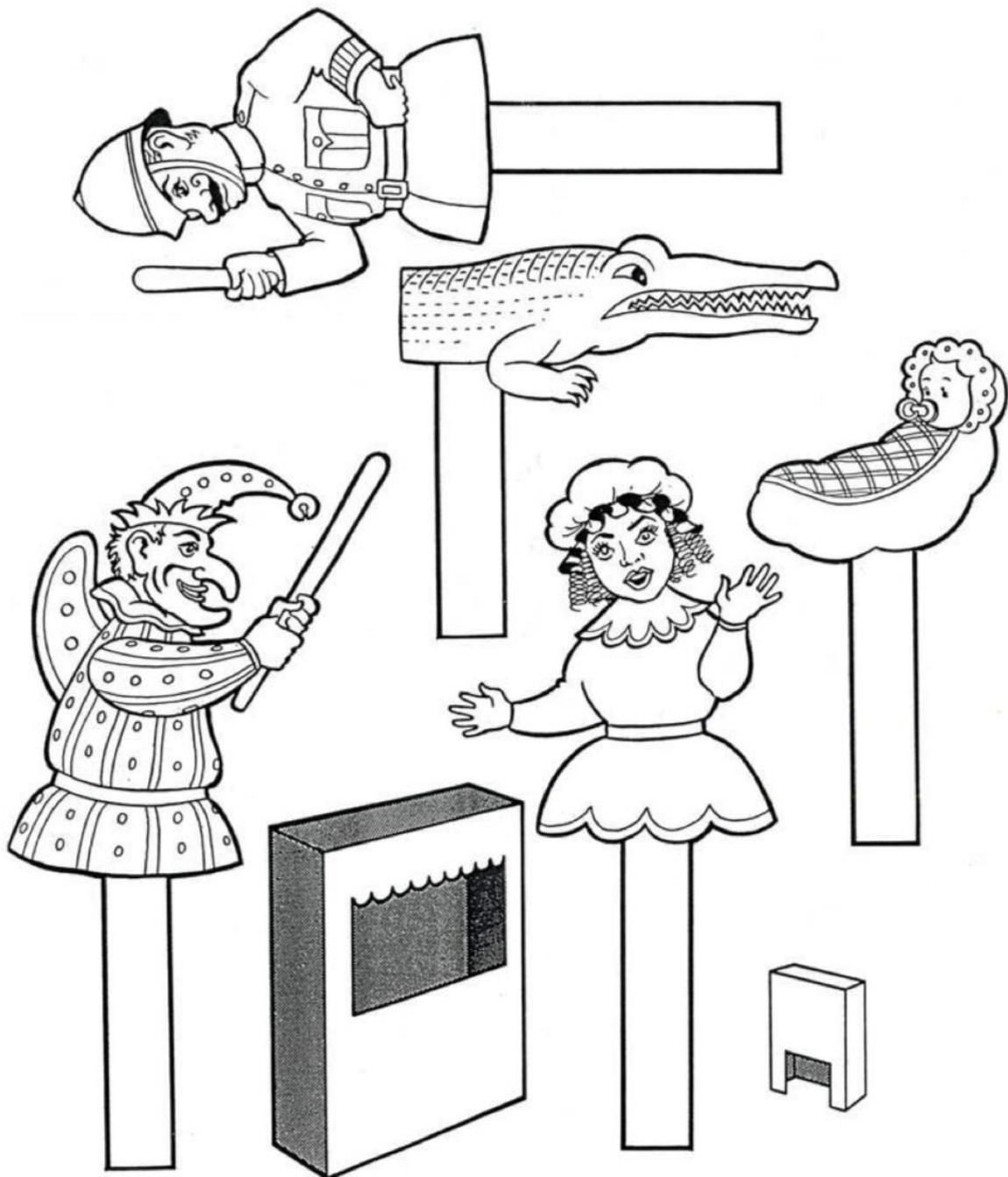






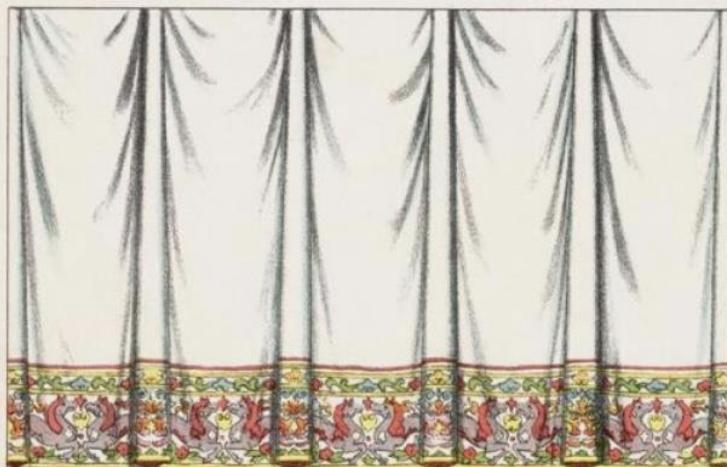




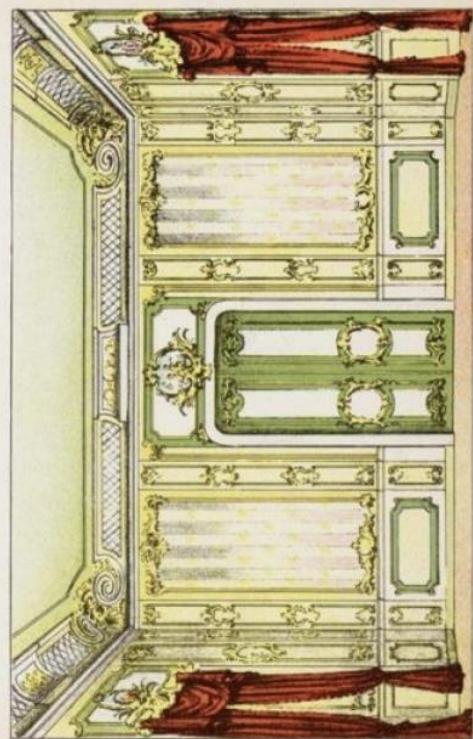




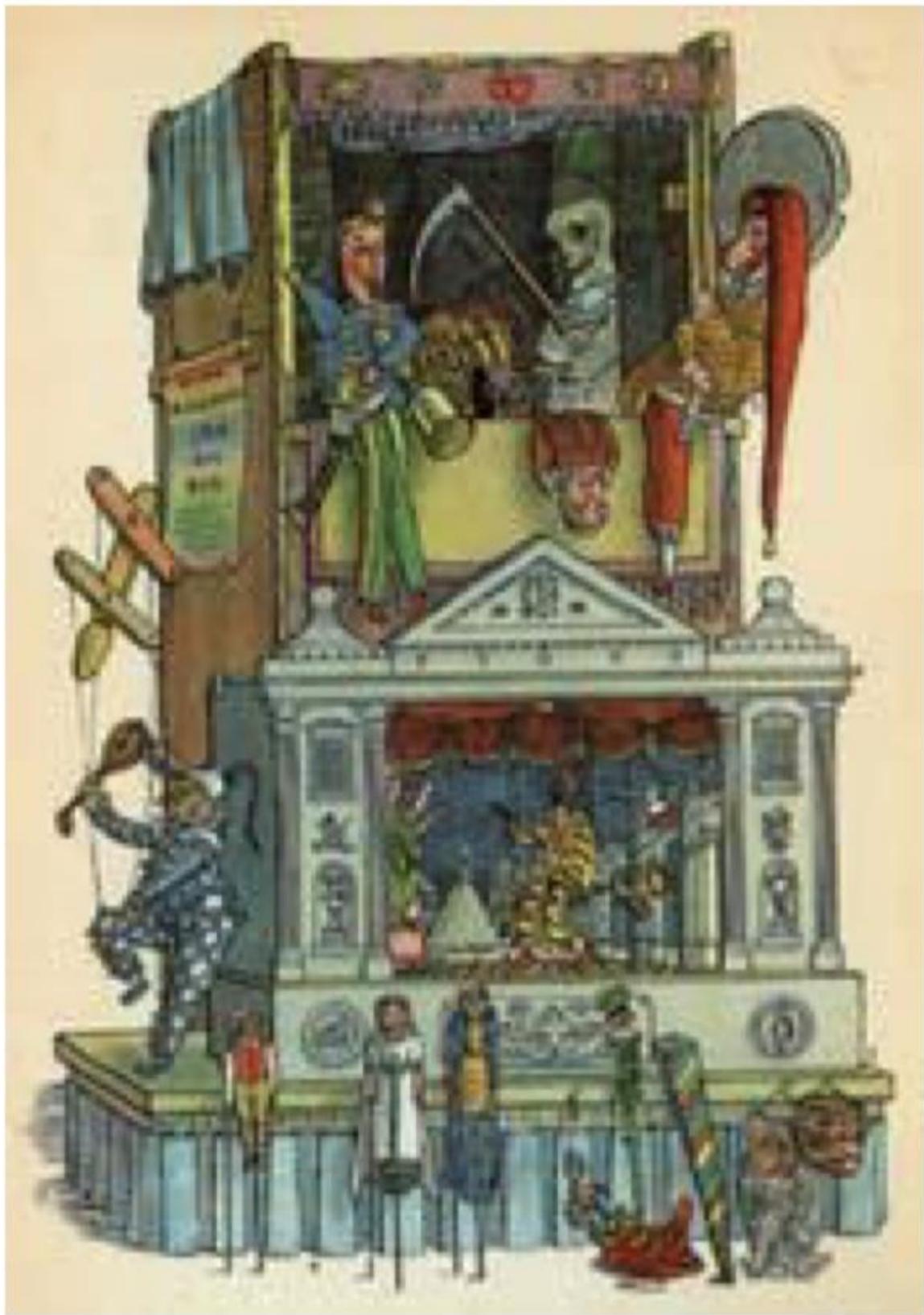
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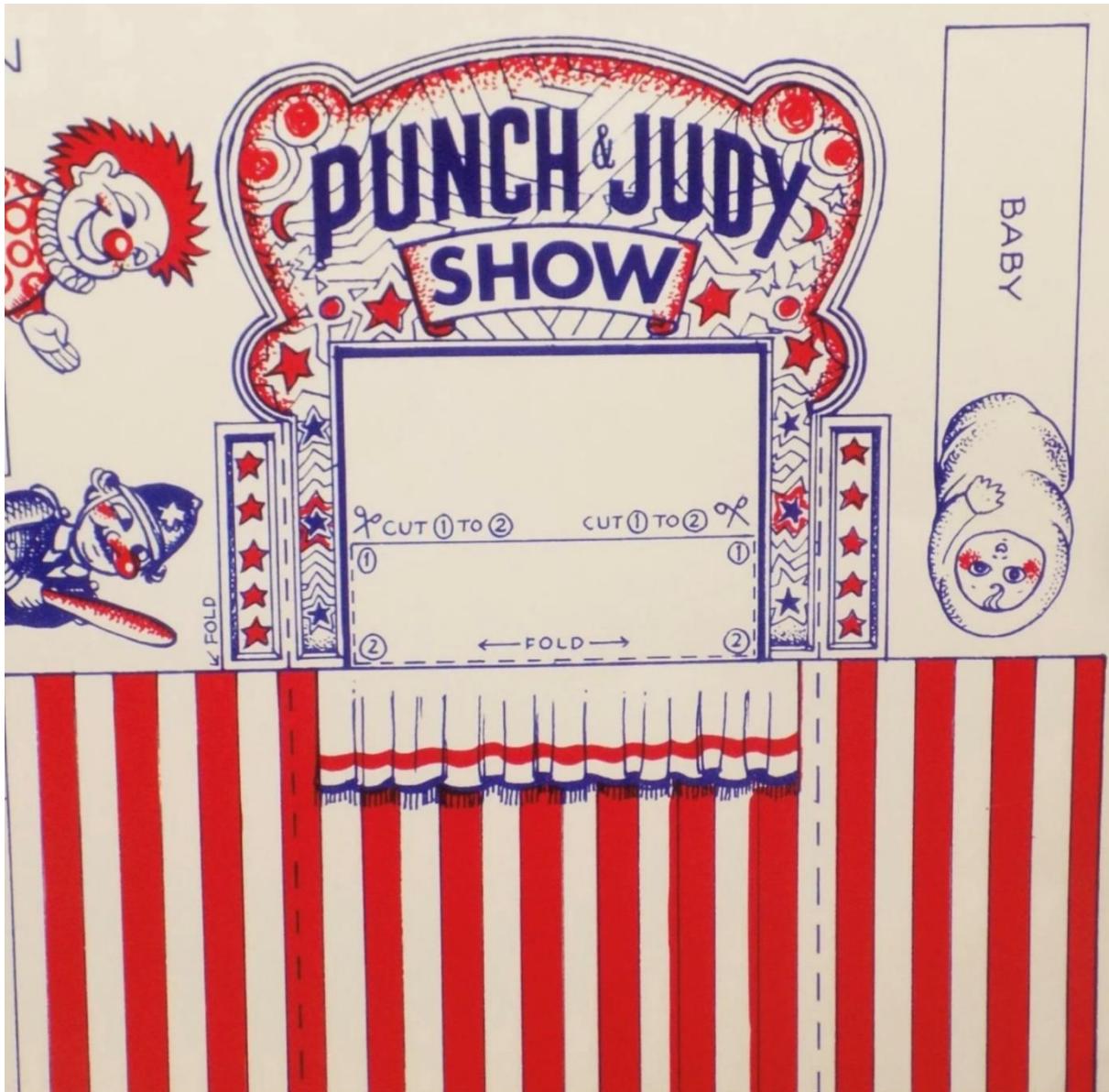


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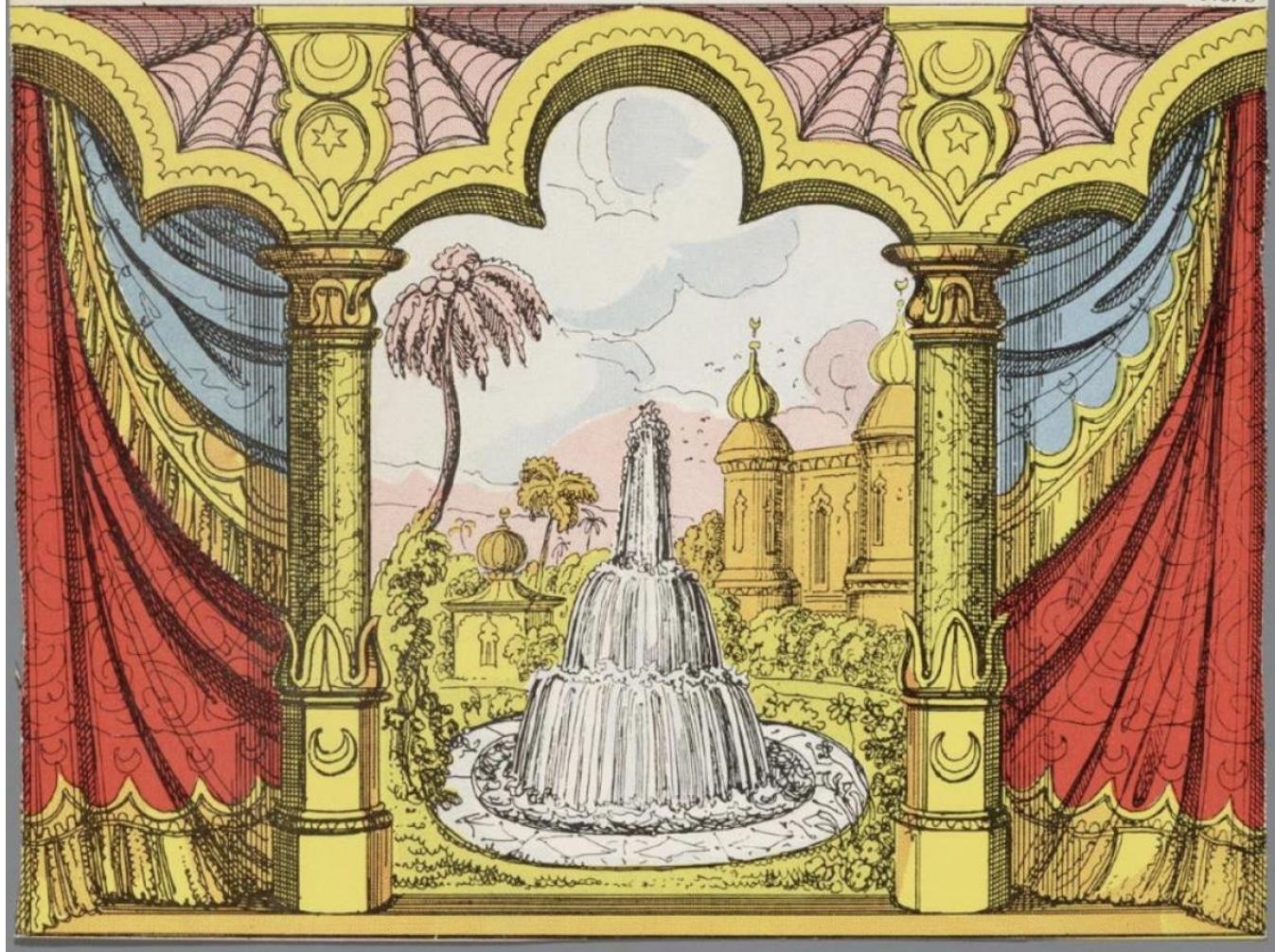


'The Devil'

Epilogue















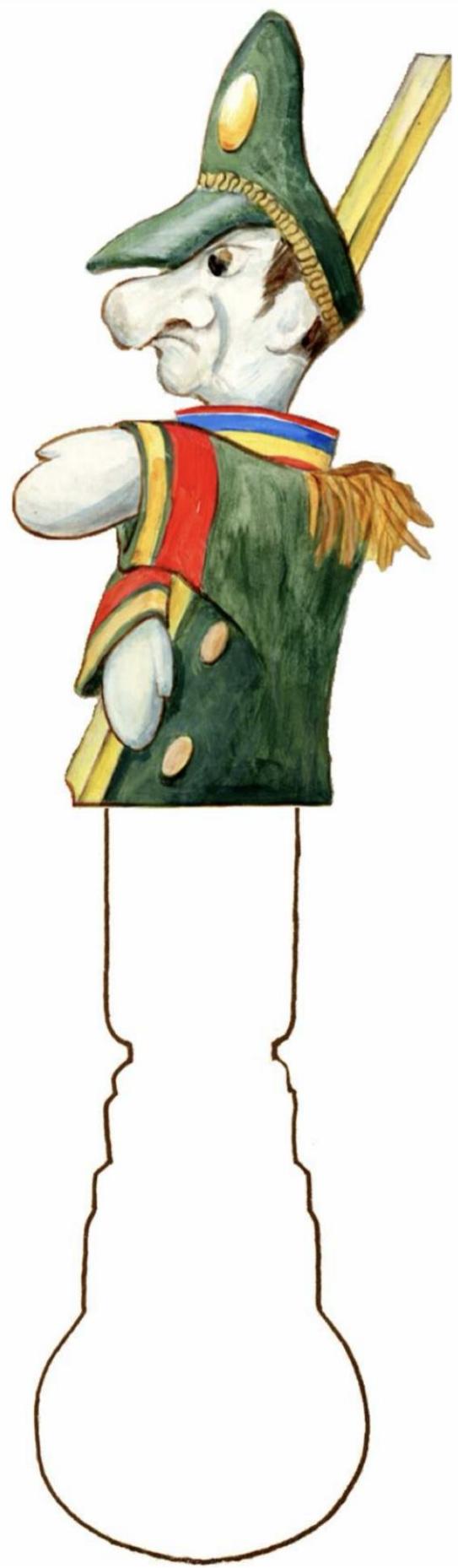
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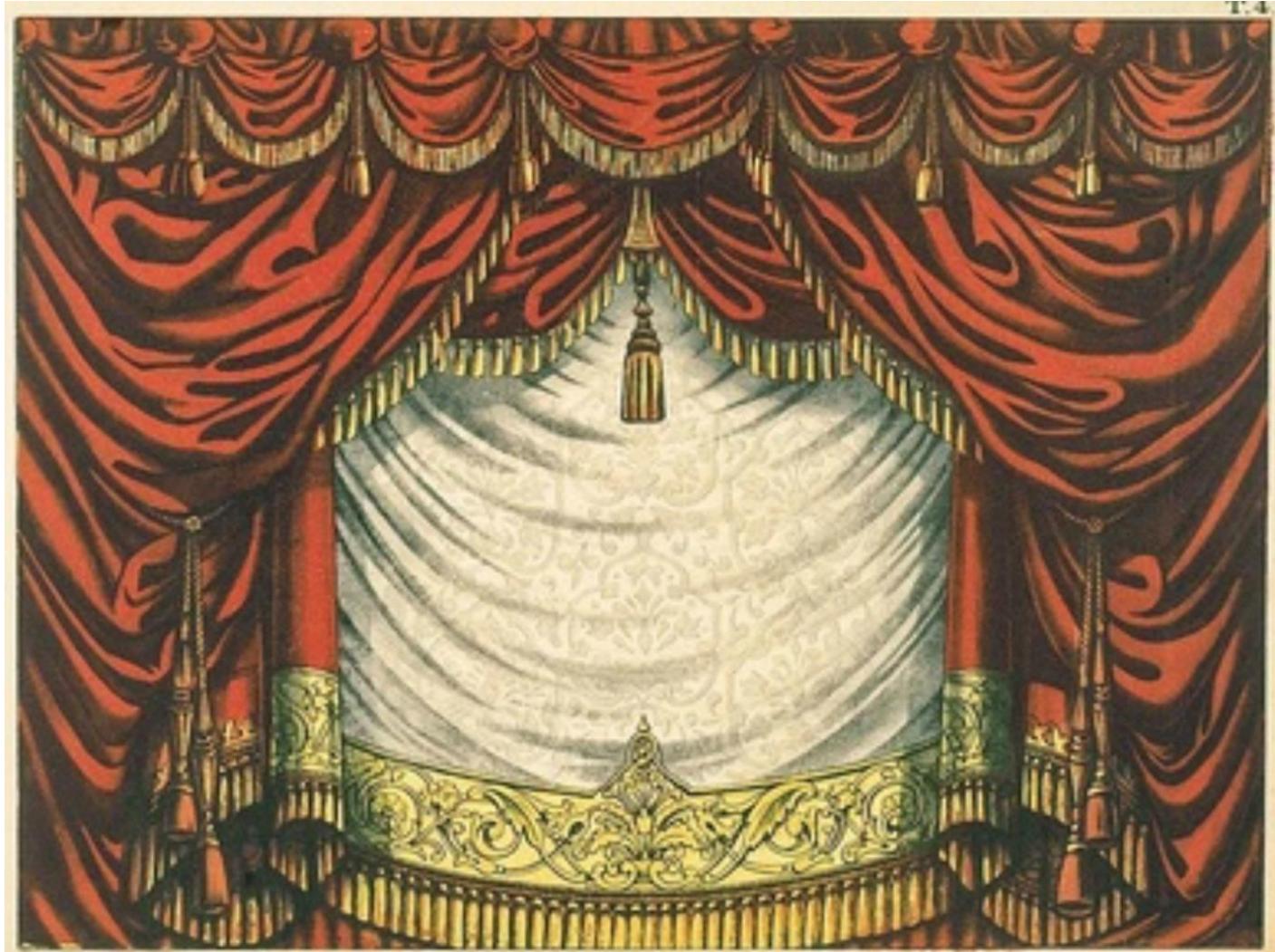




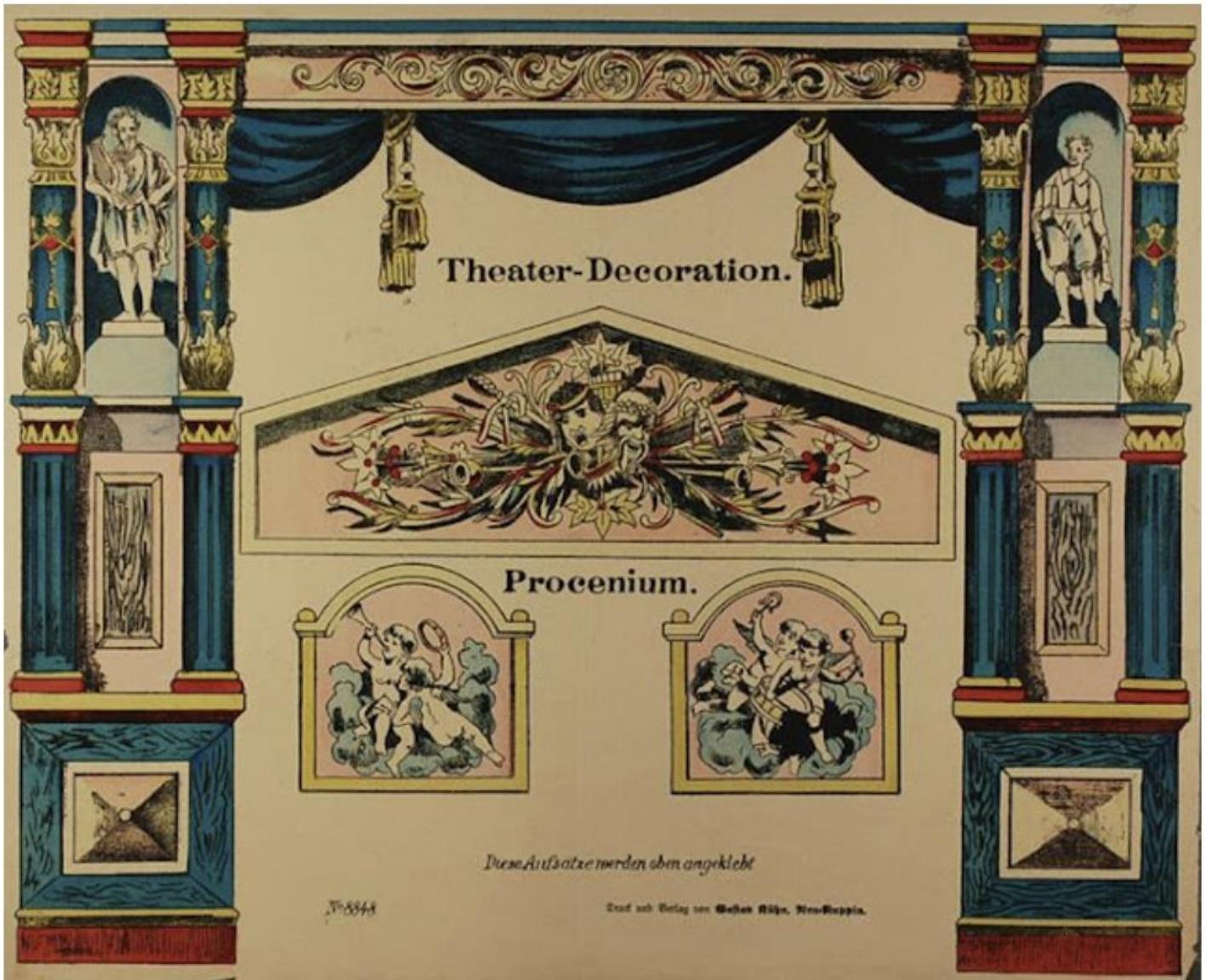










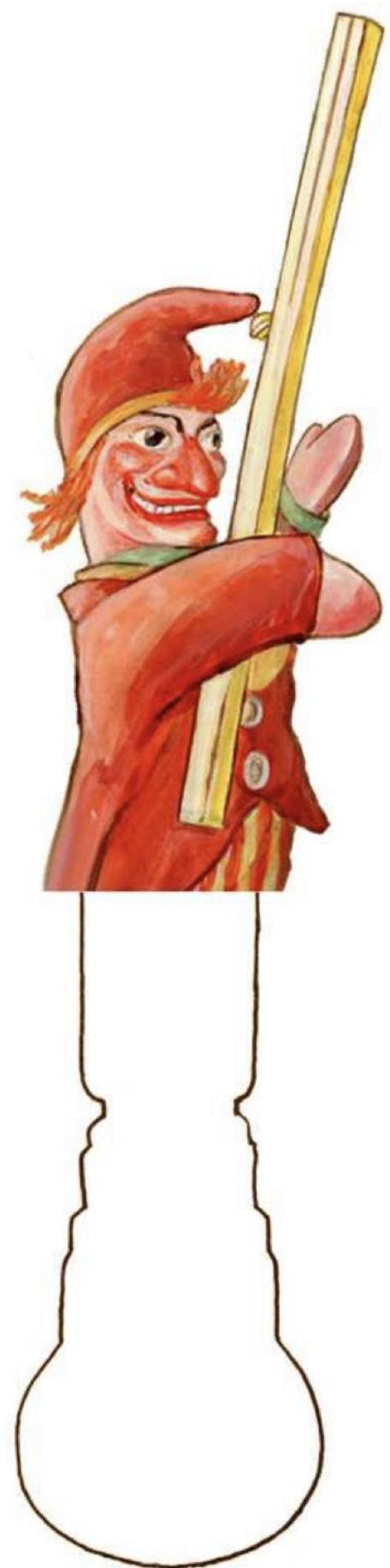




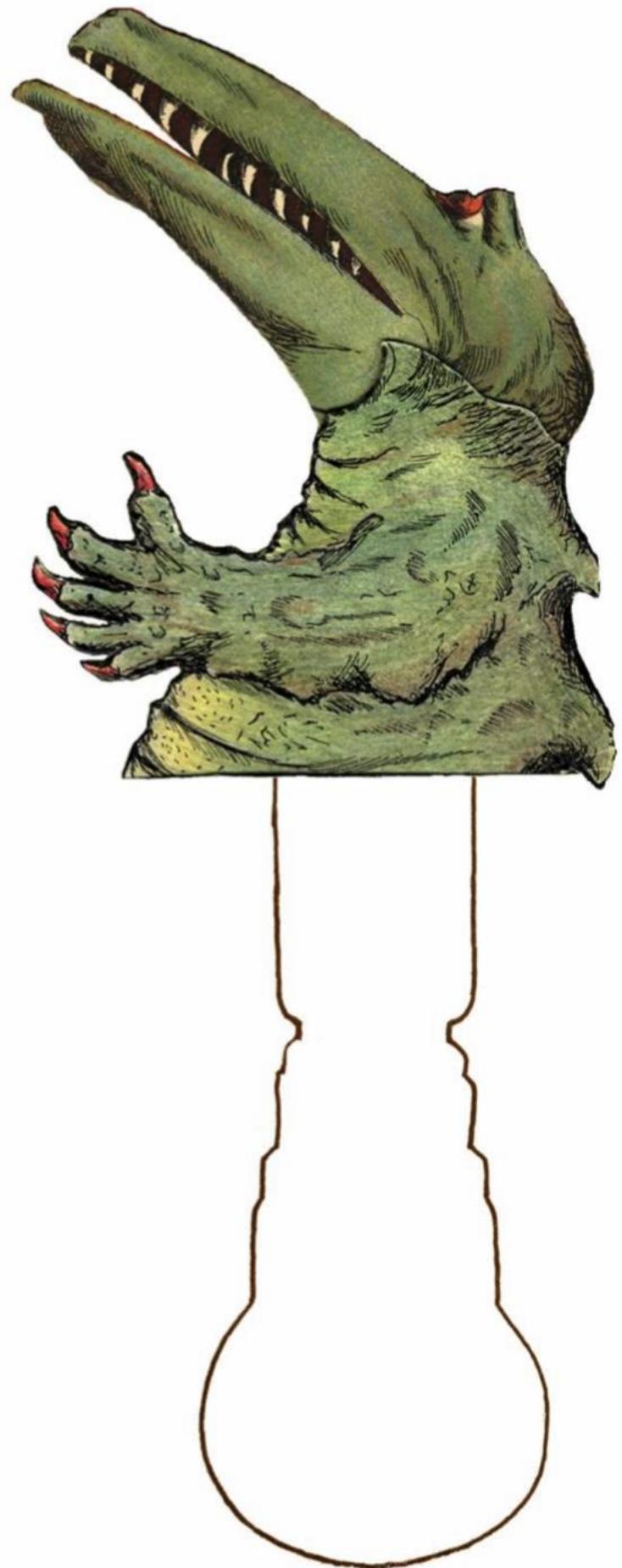








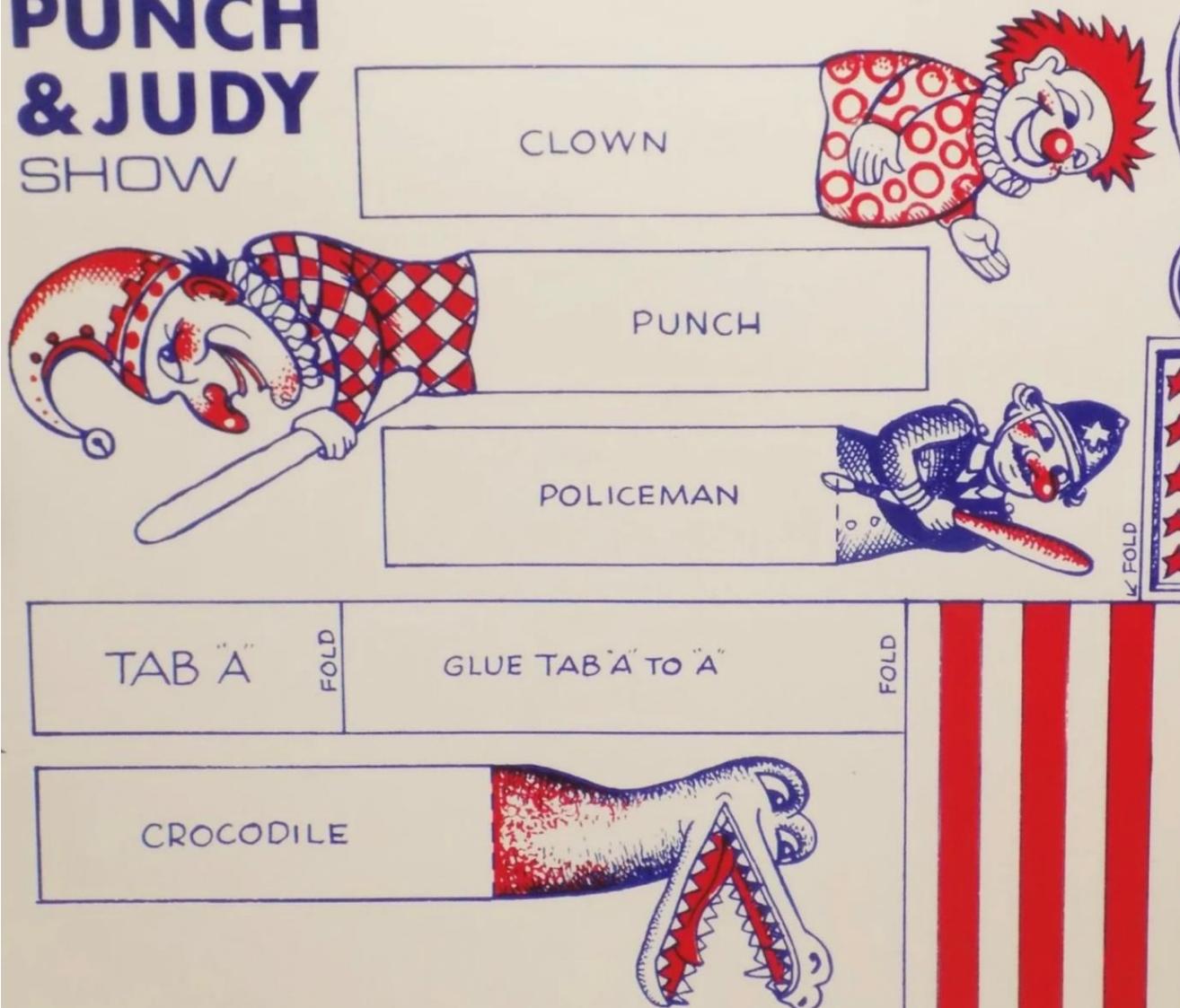


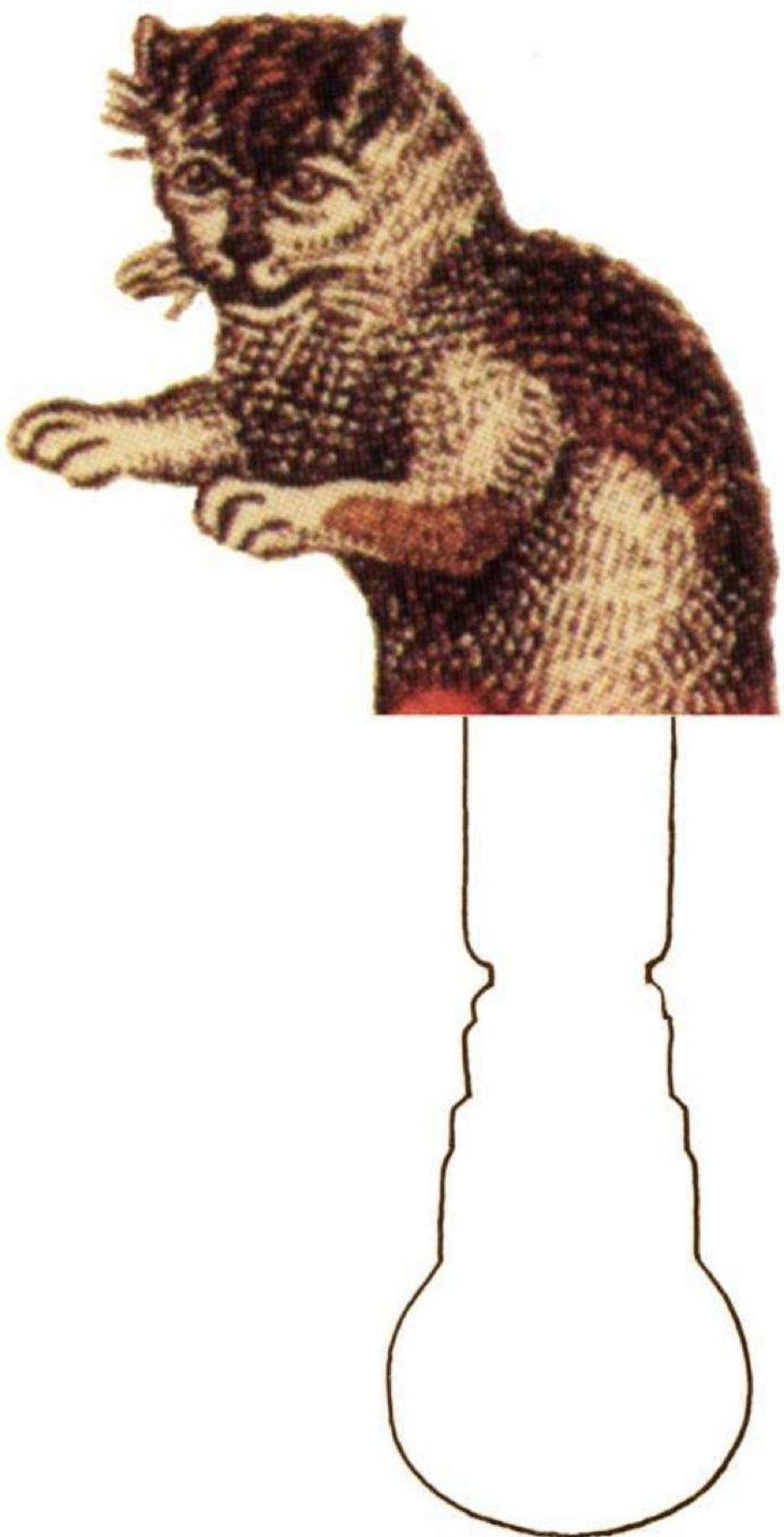




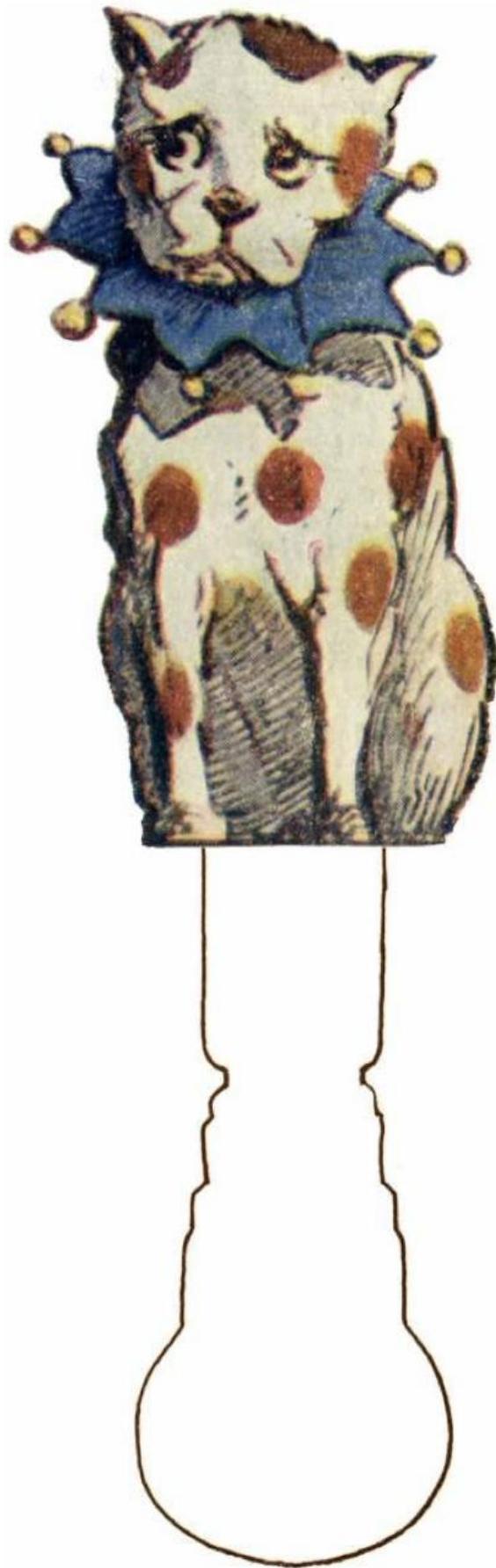


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**PUNCH & JUDY**  
SHOW







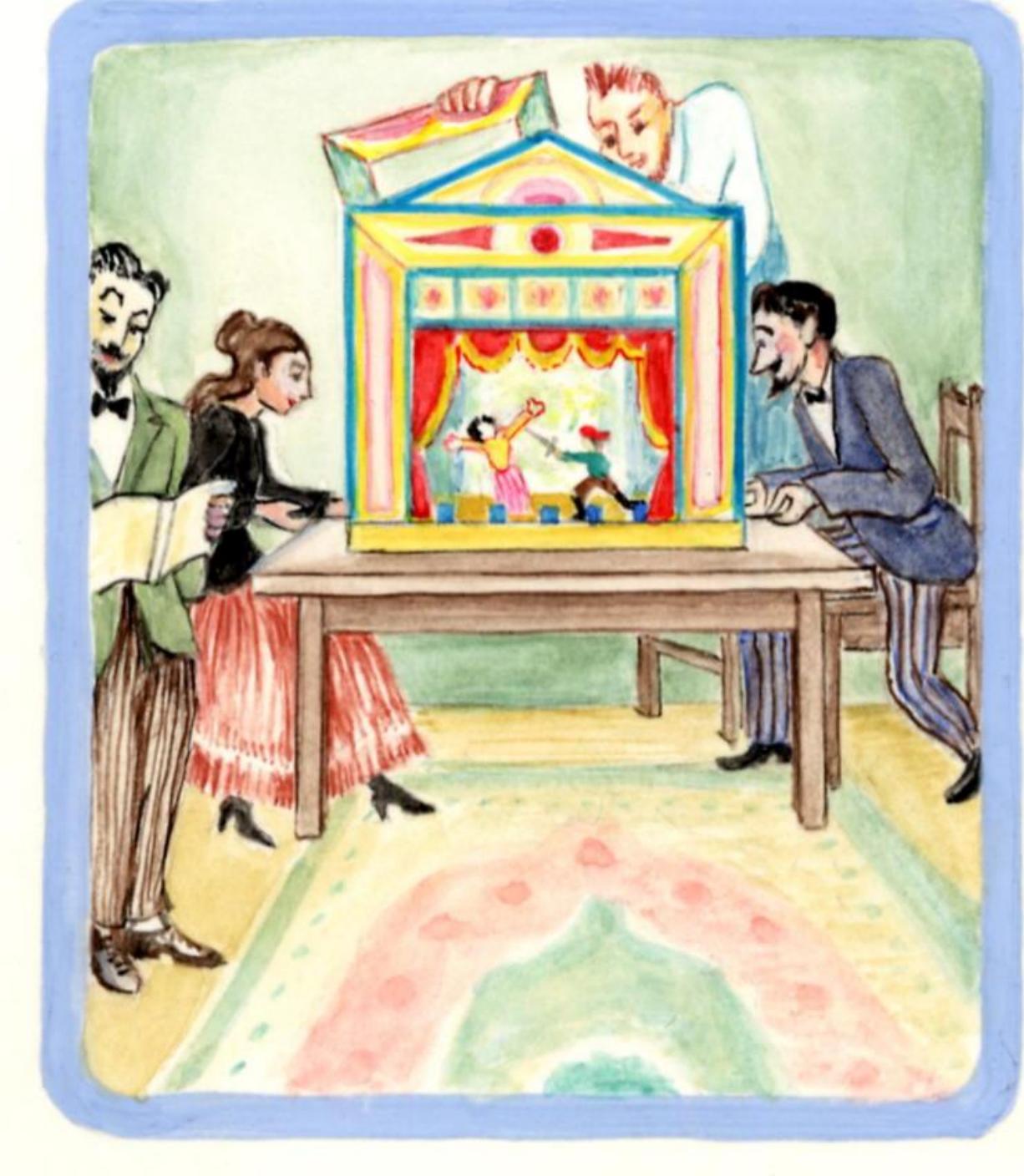












# Een Poppentheater



Klaar om te bouwen en te spelen

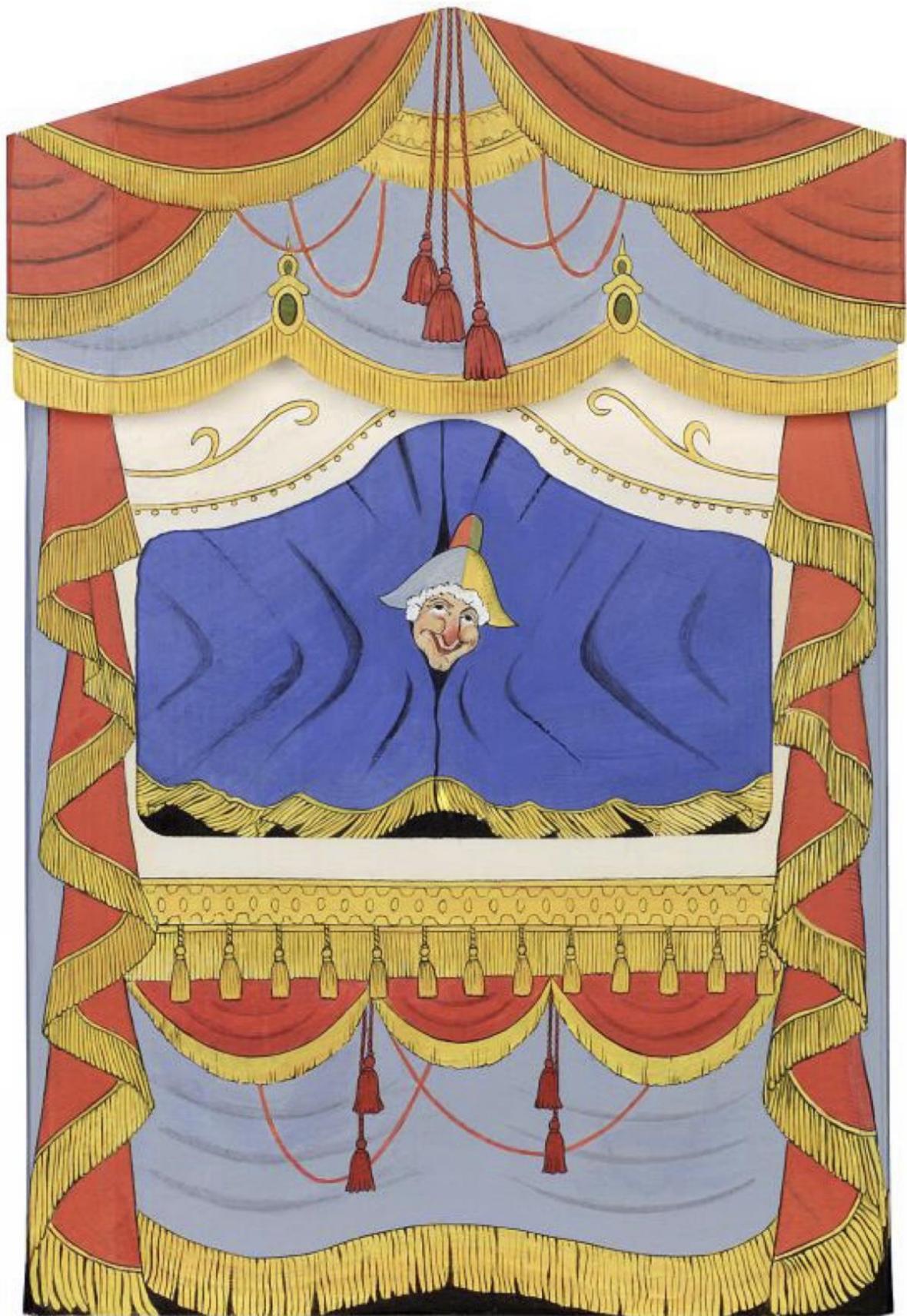
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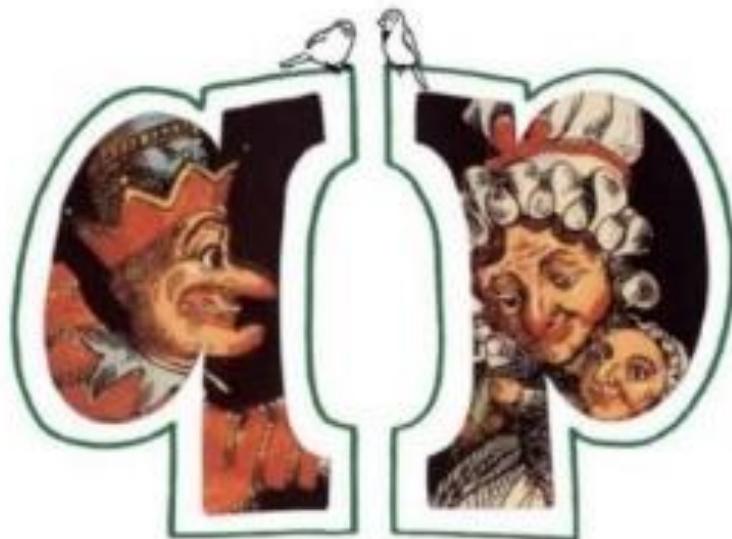








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