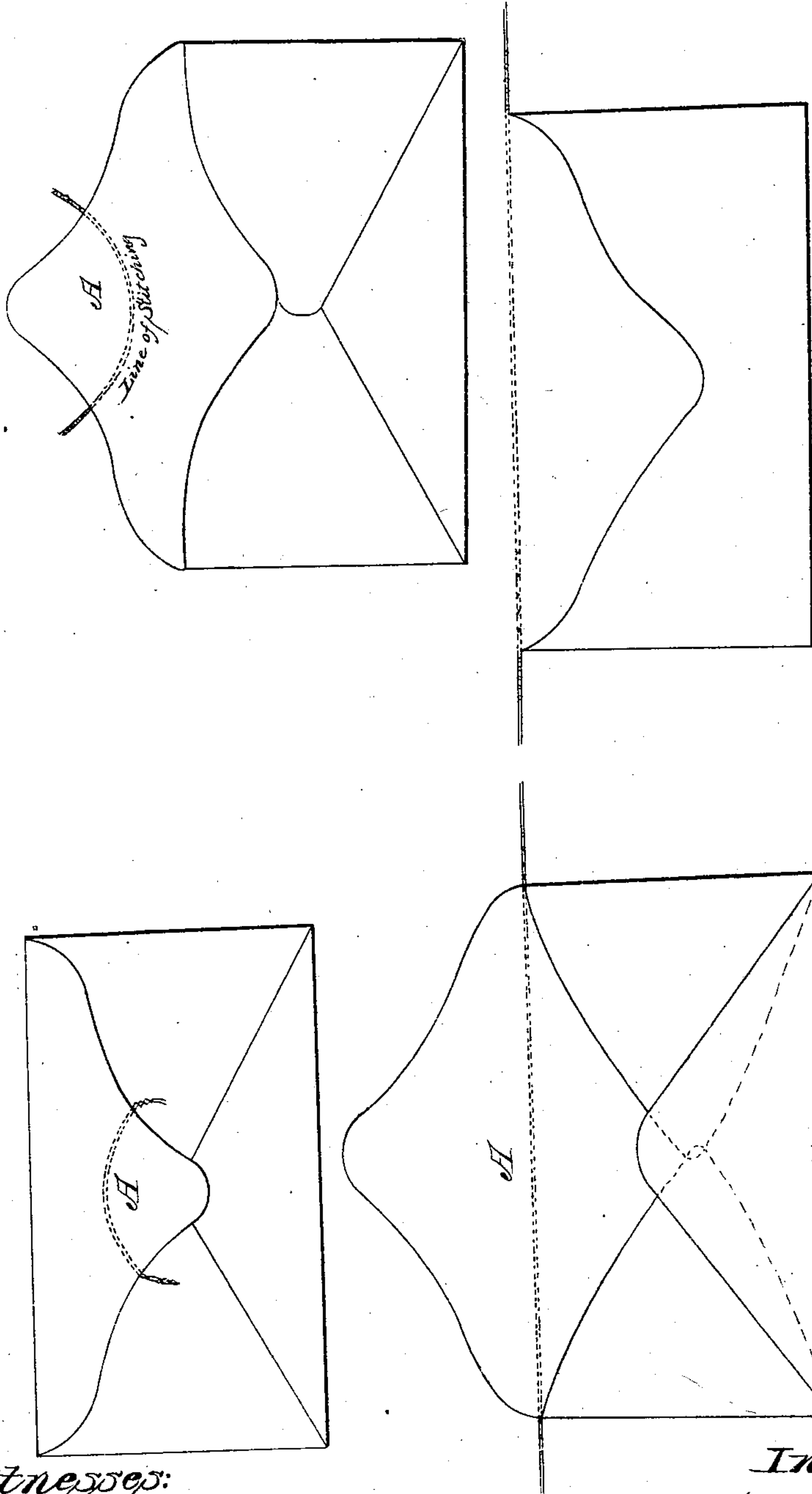


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IMPROVEMENT IN OPENING ENVELOPES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED L. SEABURY, of the city of Norfolk, in the State of Virginia, have invented a new and improved mode of opening envelopes of letters, newspapers, or packages, making an improved envelope, of which the following is a specification.

The nature of my invention consists in stitching a thread through and through the envelope, as shown by the drawings accompanying this application, leaving one or more ends of the thread so that they may be readily taken hold of by any one, and by means of which the envelope may be speedily torn or cut open by

the thread so inserted. The thread being thus stitched through and through is permanently secured in its place. It cannot be pulled out nor drawn sidewise, but marks the line of opening in the exact direction of stitching.

What I claim for my invention is—

The stitching of a thread through and through the envelope in such a manner that any one may be enabled to cut or tear it open with expedition, in the manner set forth.

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