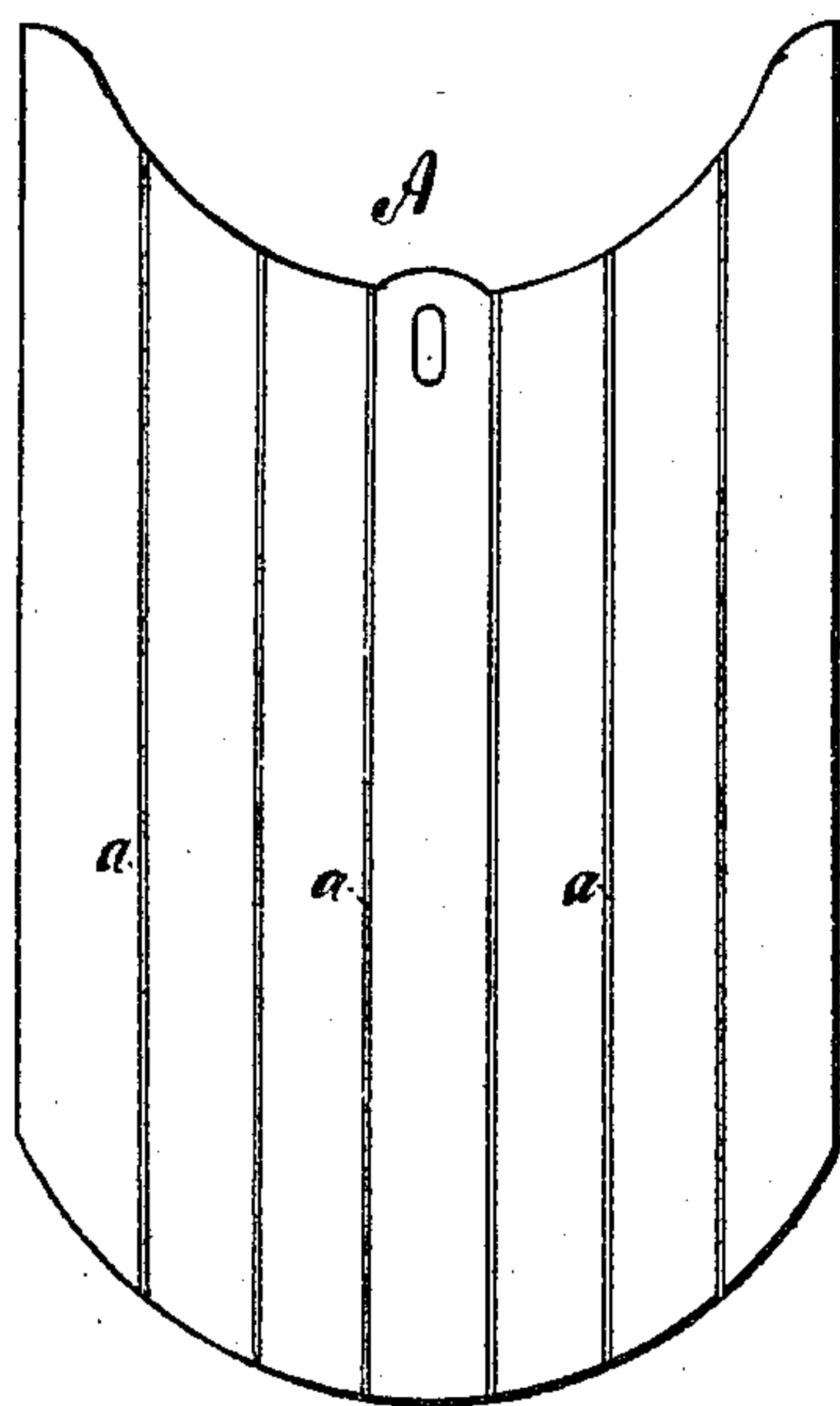


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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER BOSOMS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD P. FURLONG, of Portland, in the county of Cumberland, and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Improved Paper Bosom; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others to make and use my invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

A is a front view.

B and C are edge and end views.

My invention consists in a new and improved method of constructing bosoms of cloth and paper.

It comprises an arrangement of strips of paper for the exterior, which strips are laid on and fastened to a sheet of cloth on the inner or under side of the said paper.

There are small, narrow spaces between the several strips of paper, forming the front of the bosom, and these spaces are crossed on the inner side, by the cloth before named. In other words, the strips of paper are wholly separate, until united by the cloth.

This peculiarity allows the usual plaits of the bosom, or strips of paper, when thus made into bosoms, to be folded, one over the other, thus enabling the bosoms to be packed in exceedingly small or narrow boxes or envelopes, consequently cheapening the transportation.

A cord is inserted in the edges of the strips.

The material is first put together in long, continuous sheets, and then cut, by proper machinery, into the desired form for business or use.

a shows the spaces between the strips of paper, which are filled by the cloth backing.

In the drawings—

c shows the cloth, and

a, the paper strips.

I am aware that folding table-mats, consisting of rigid strips of wood, fastened to some flexible foundation, are already in public use; but these I do not claim, as they are very different from my invention, which consists of strips of paper, so arranged upon a cloth backing, for the purpose of producing a paper bosom, as that the same may be folded so as to occupy but little space in packing.

I do not claim a paper and cloth bosom; neither do I claim backing the paper with cloth, for a bosom; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The paper bosom, constructed and capable of being folded for transportation, as herein described.

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