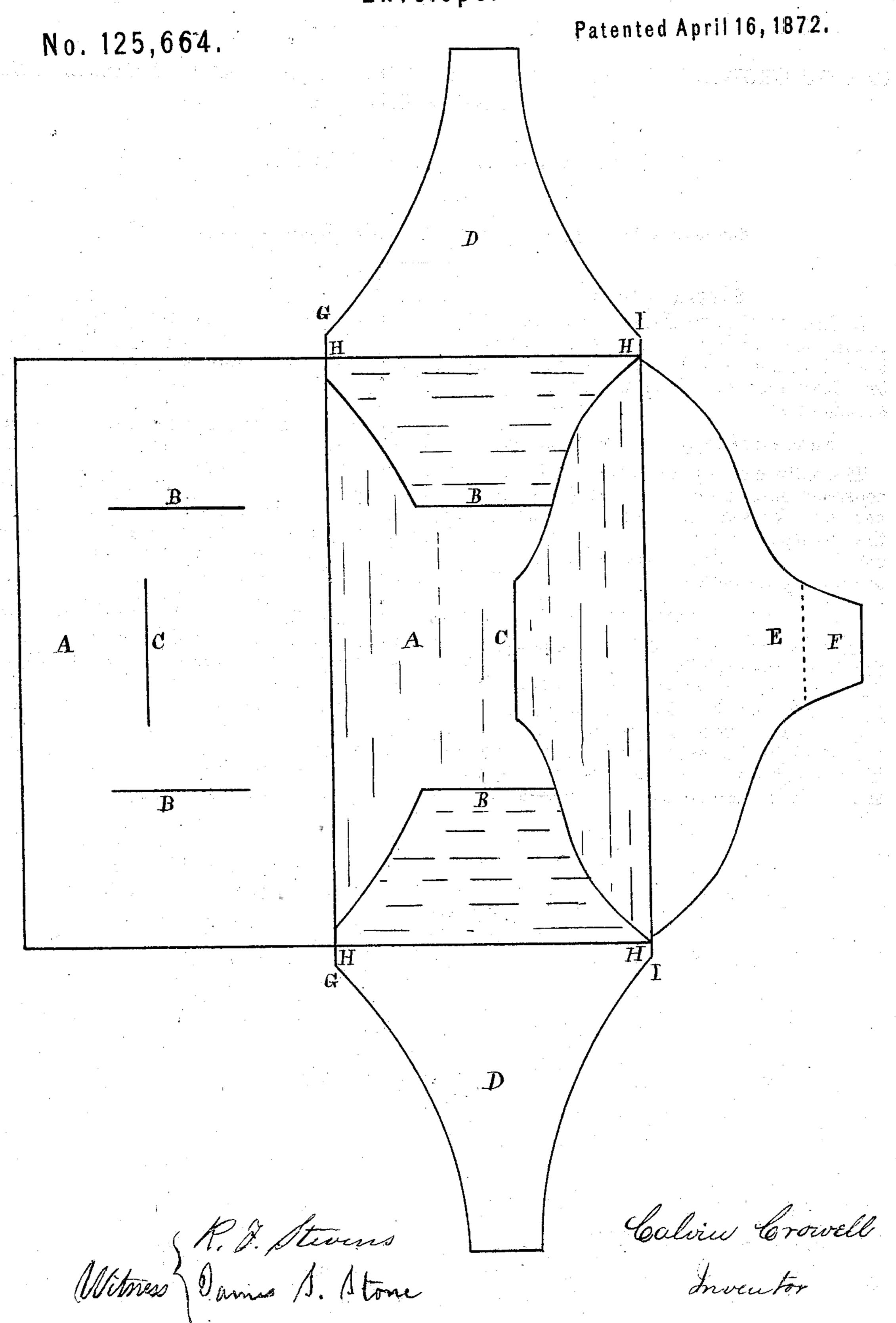
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IMPROVEMENT IN ENVELOPES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 125,664, dated April 16, 1872.

SPECIFICATION.

I, CALVIN CROWELL, of Syracuse, in the county of Onondaga and State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Letter Envelopes, of which the following is a specification:

Nature and Objects of the Invention.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of letter envelopes in such a manner that the sealing is done upon the inside, thereby securing it from being opened by moistening the gum or otherwise without defacing or injuring the envelope.

Construction.

To construct my invention, cut the paper in the form substantially as shown in the outside lines of the drawing. In the part represented by A make the cuts B and C; the cuts B being for the insertion of the side laps D, and the cut C for the insertion of the lap E, which is gummed upon both surfaces of the tip, as shown at F. First fold the part A upon the

line G G; then fold the side laps D upon the lines H·H and insert their tips into the cuts B B; then fold the lap E upon the line I I, and insert its tip into the cut C and between the tips of the side laps D and the inner surface of the part A.

To seal the envelope, moisten the gum at F, and when inserted in the cut C press the parts together and the laps D. The lap E and the inner face of the part A will be firmly sealed together beyond the possibility of opening without defacing or destroying the envelope.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is—

The construction of an envelope with cuts B and C, as shown, whereby it may be folded as described, and the inside sealed, substantially in the manner, and for the purpose set forth.

CALVIN CROWELL.

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