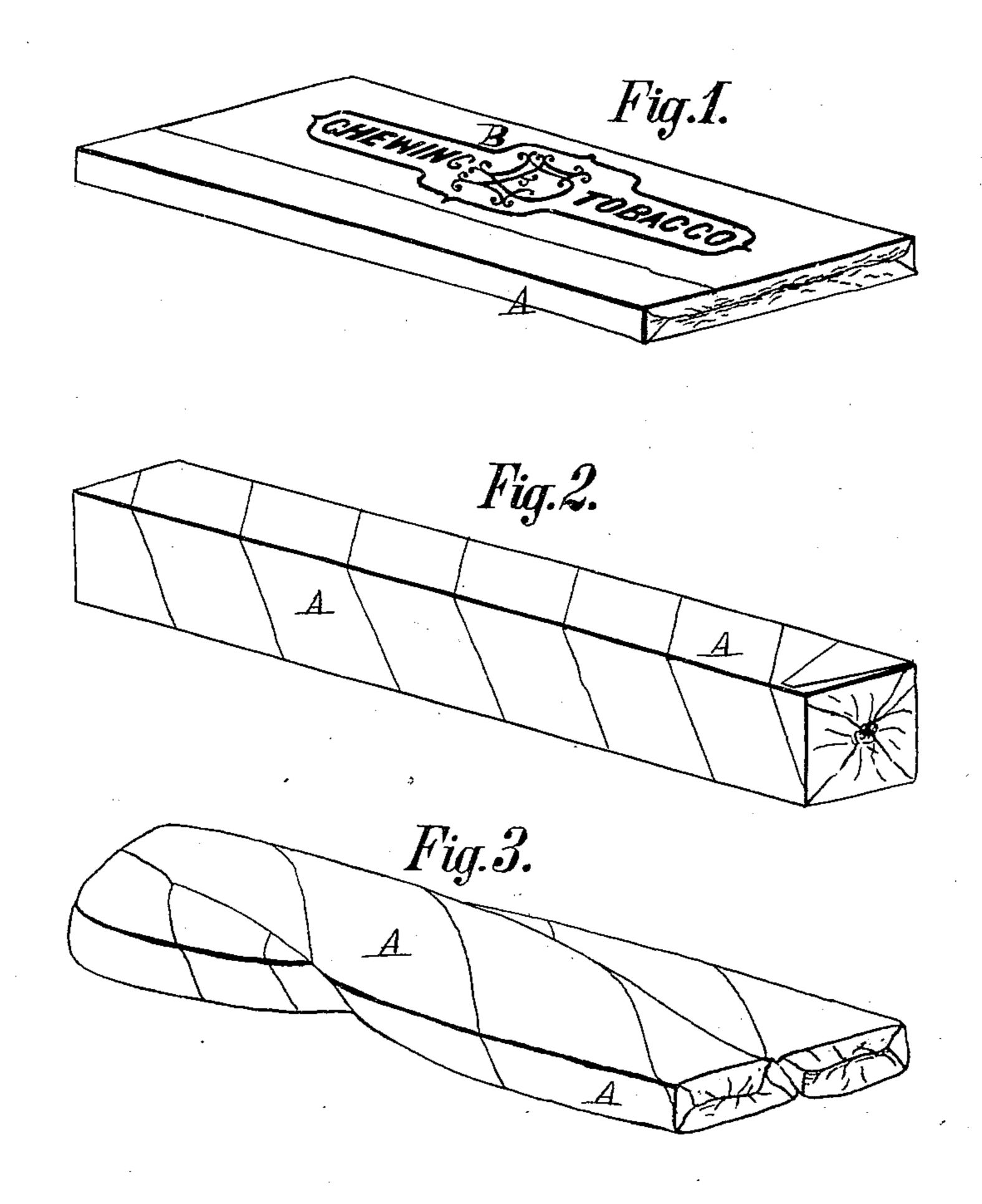
## D. EATON. Plug-Tobacco.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN PLUG-TOBACCO.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Daniel Eaton, of St. Louis, St. Louis county, Missouri, have invented a certain Improvement in the Manufacture of Tobacco, of which the following is

a specification:

My invention consists in the substitution of a paper wrapper in place of the tobacco wrapper on plugs, twists, and other pressed work, the wrapper being in all cases put on before pressing, and, in the act of pressing, being caused to sink into the mass, as hereinafter described.

In the manufacture of plug and twist tobacco the wrapper is used merely to give a good color and appearance to the tobacco, as it is worthless for chewing, as it has not undergone the proper preparation therefor; but, though of no value for chewing, being bitter and unpalatable, it is of high-priced tobacco, as it is necessary that it should be unbroken and the color should be good.

To do away with the necessity of this expensive wrapper, which is of no value, but rather a detriment to the chewing-tobacco, I use a wrapper of thin paper of the required

color.

In the drawings, Figures 1 and 2 are, respectively, a flat and square plug; and Fig. 3,

a twist.

The wrapper A may be placed on the plug or twist in any preferred manner, as the paper wrapper may be made of any desired size and form, either as a broad piece, as shown in Fig. 1, or long and narrow, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. In the latter case it would be wound spirally, in the same manner as a wrapper of to-bacco leaf.

The plain method of wrapping shown in Fig. 1 gives better facilities for the marking of the trade-mark guarantee B, as shown, although the same may be printed on the spiral wrappers shown in Figs. 2 and 3. This is used both on hard and soft work. The tobacco, after being wrapped, is placed in the press, and the pressure applied in such a manner as to force the paper into the substance of the plug, and securely incorporate it therewith.

In addition to the advantages of this wrapper, before stated, it has others of perhaps greater importance. In the first place the wrappers may be furnished with the Government stamp upon them, and being used for a wrapper, forming a necessary part of the plug, and firmly attached by pressing in manufacture, would secure the Government against fraud. In the second place the public would be secured against the fraudulent practices of dealers in putting a deceptive label on the packages containing the tobacco after leaving the hands of the manufacturer. Another advantage of this paper wrapper is that it prevents the crumbling of the plug in the pocket.

I am aware that tobacco in various forms has heretofore been enveloped in tobacco leaf both before and after pressing. This, therefore, I do not claim; but

What I do claim as my invention is—

A tobacco plug or twist enveloped in paper pressed into its surfaces and interstices, substantially as described.

DANIEL EATON.

Witnesses:

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