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Cigar Cases.

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Fig. 1.

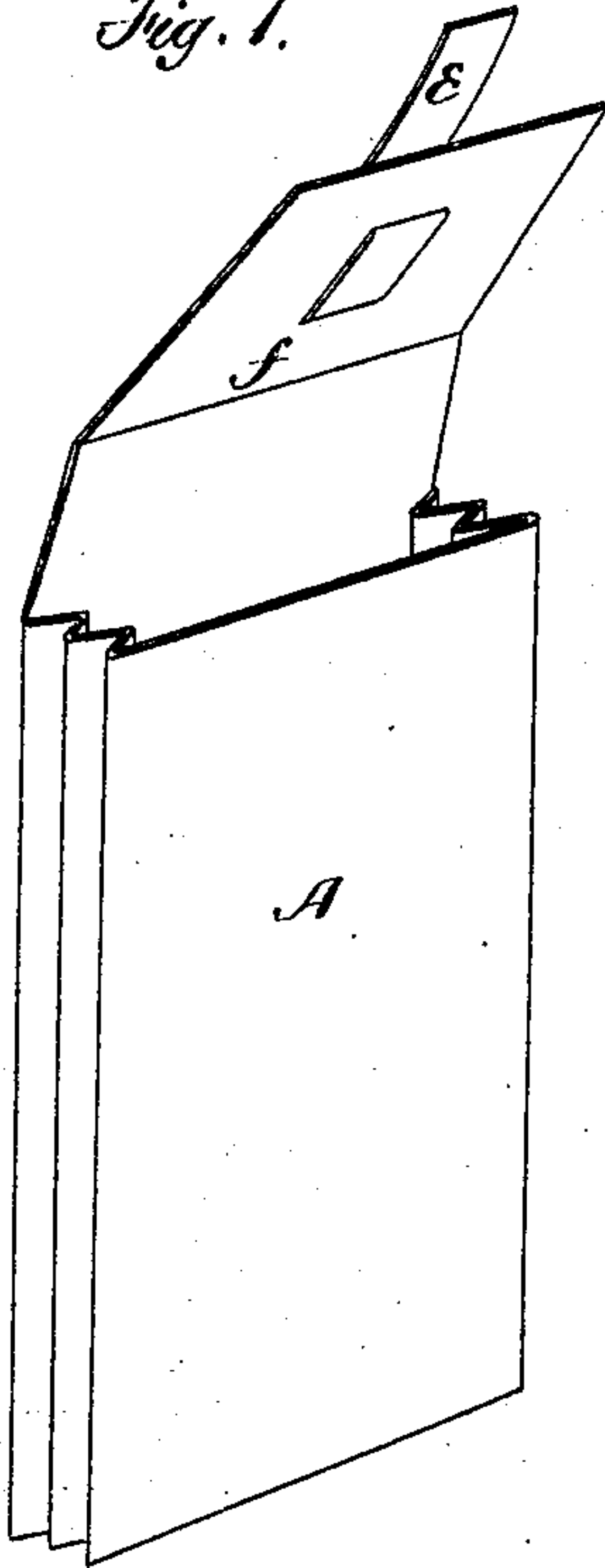
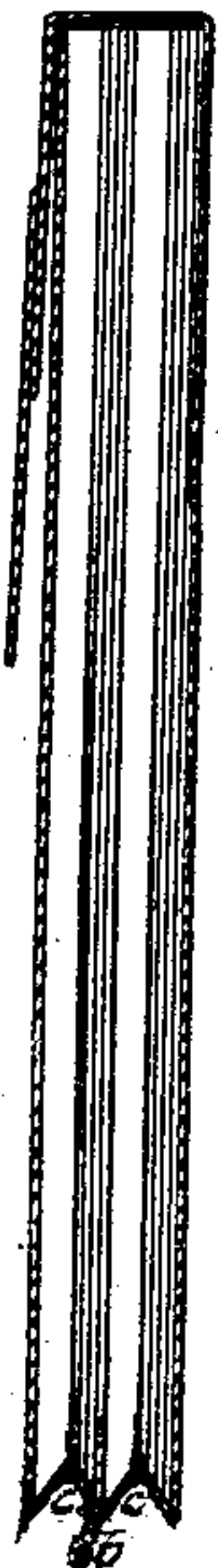


Fig. 2.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CIGAR-CASES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JAMES H. THWING, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Cigar-Case; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the case, with the flap which covers the entrance extended; and Fig. 2 represents a longitudinal section.

Similar letters of reference in the accompanying drawings denote the same parts.

This invention is an improved cigar-case; and consists of a case made of paper, having the sides and one end so folded that the case may be made to be flat, and occupy a very thin space, and at the same time be capable of expansion to hold several cigars.

I make the case A (shown in the drawings) of any suitable paper—such as will be ornamental, and at the same time sufficiently inexpensive, so that the case may be furnished to retail dealers at a very small cost, and take the place of ordinary bags or wrappers; at the same time they will be sufficiently ornamental to serve as a pocket cigar-holder until soiled by use. The front and rear faces may

be ornamented with any figure, or embossed in any of the known ways, or may have any desired advertisement. The edges are folded as represented in Fig. 2, being sharply bent, so as to form the re-entrant angles *c c* and the salient angle *d*. It is apparent that any number of folds may be made, according to fancy, or the paper or form required. The bottom and sides are formed in the same way, and the edges pasted together at some suitable place, and the corners cut to fit closely. The cover for the opening consists of a flap, *f*, made in the form shown, with a suitable projection, *e*. The flap is shown in Fig. 1, and is so bent that when thrust into place inside the case it leaves the strap *e* projecting outward to afford a hold for the fingers in drawing the flap out to open the case.

I am aware that cigar-cases have been made of paper, and I do not broadly claim all forms; but

What I do claim is—

The paper cigar-case, constructed as shown and described, consisting of the front and rear, and folded sides and ends, and flap *f e*, as set forth.

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