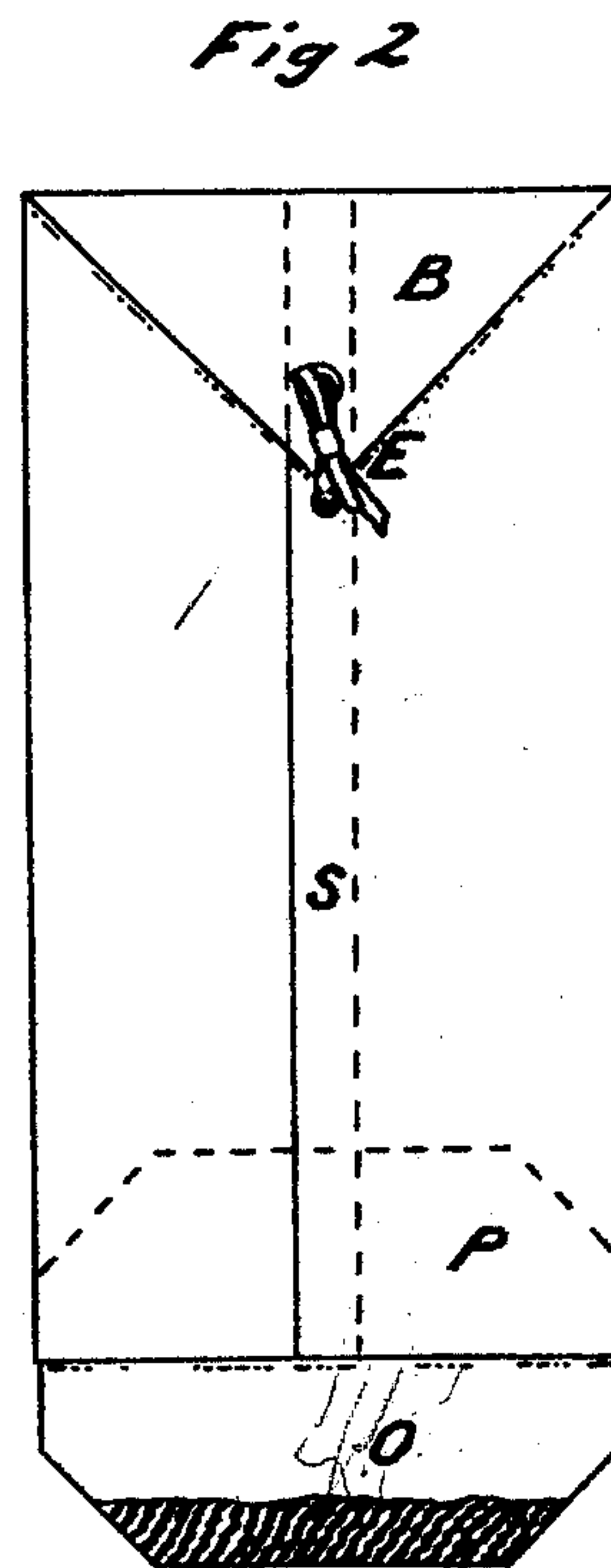
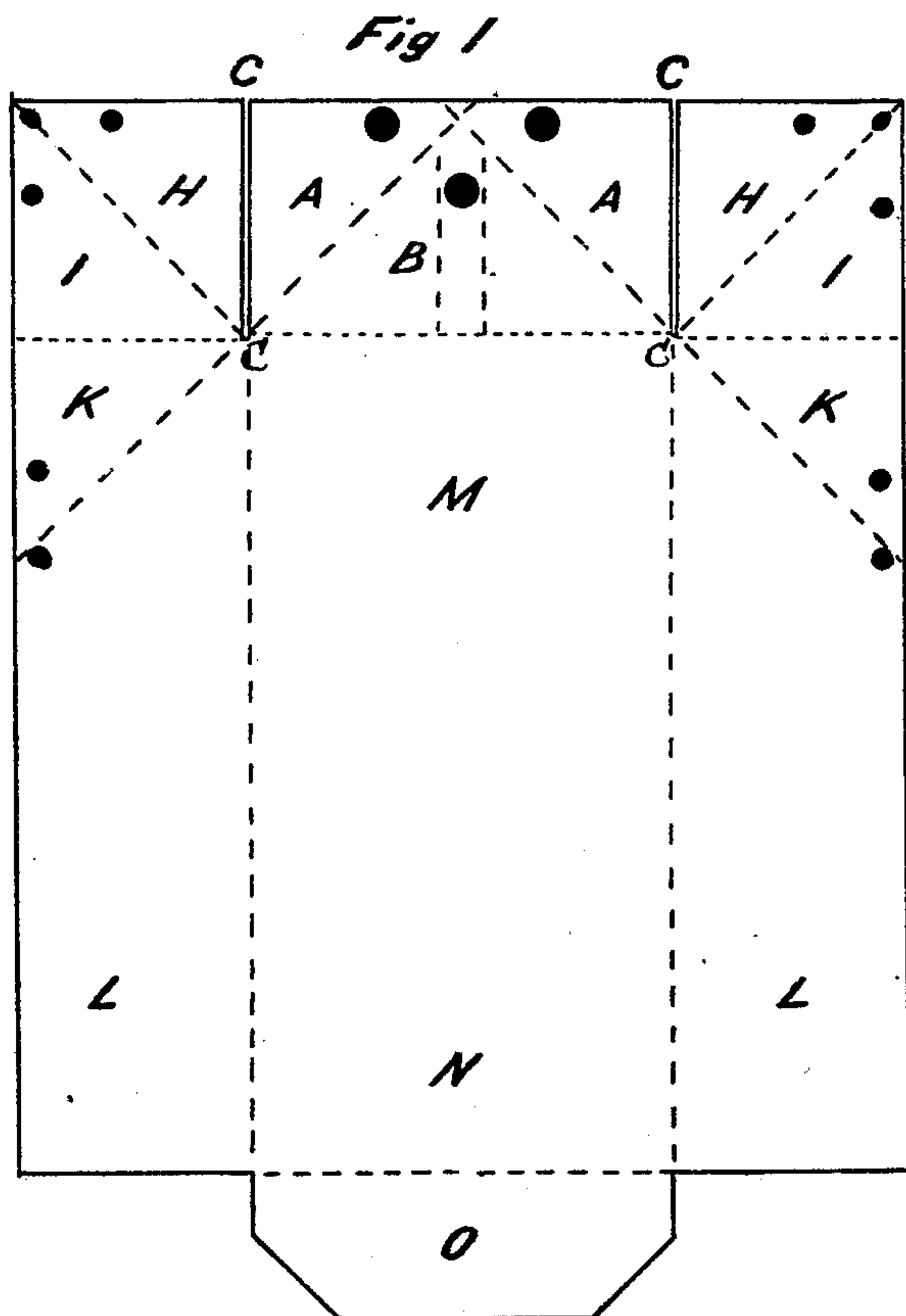


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IMPROVEMENT IN SAMPLE-ENVELOPES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER HAMILTON SCHULTZ, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sample-Envelopes for Third-Class Mail-Matter; and that the following is a full and exact description thereof, with reference to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

My invention consists of an envelope of peculiar construction, closed at the top with tape or other fastening, that can be readily undone by officials of the Post-Office Department for the required examination of third-class mail-matter, as in other packages of that nature. The lower flap of the envelope is left open and gummed ready for sealing, samples to be sent through the mail being here inserted and the flap sealed securely.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents the envelope cut and creased ready for folding. The corners H H are folded on dotted lines upon I I, and these are again folded down upon K K. The two parts K L and K L are then brought together and pasted along the seam S (shown in Fig. 2) and two eyelet-holes punched, as shown in both figures. The corners A A are turned down upon B, slightly overlapping, and larger eyelet-holes punched, as indicated.

Fig. 2 shows this flap B turned down and tied by tape E, while the lower flap, O, is gummed and left open ready for sealing, which, when sealed, covers dotted lines at P.

The advantages of constructing an envelope on this principle are, that I get three and six thicknesses of paper where tape passing through eyelet-holes would otherwise require extra strengthening by insertion of metallic or other eyelets, and that parties having occasion to send off large quantities of samples or other third-class mail-matter can do so in a neatly-tied package without the delay of tying tape, strings, &c., when the hurry of business demands their early dispatch.

What I claim, and wish to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The envelope herein described, consisting of the body M N, having the lower gummed open flap, O, slits C C, and upper flap having its corners A A turned down upon its central part, B, corner flaps having the parts H thereof folded over the parts I, and both over the side flap, K L, of the same width, and folded with the corner flaps inwardly, the upper flap, corner flaps, and side flaps being provided with holes passing through several thicknesses of the flaps for the reception of removable tapes securing the upper end of the envelope, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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