

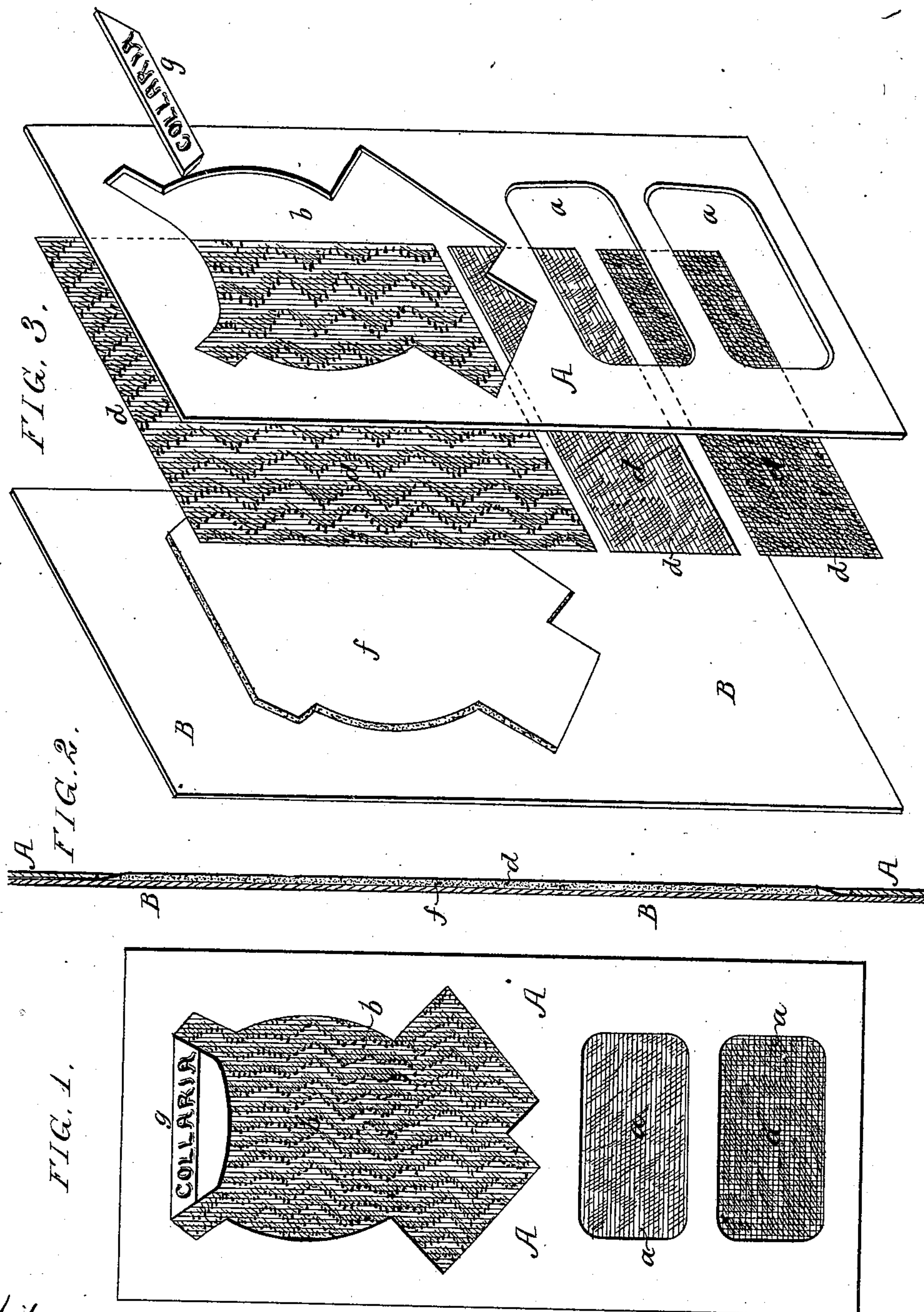
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. LAVERTY, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented an Improved Sample-Card, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to make a neat and attractive sample-card which will serve to convey an accurate idea of the appearance of the finished article of which the card shows a sample; and this object I attain in the manner which I will now proceed to describe, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a face view of my improved sample-card; Fig. 2, an enlarged sectional view of part of the same; and Fig. 3, a perspective view, showing the various parts of the card detached from each other.

The device has a face card, A, and a back card, B, united together at the edges in any suitable manner. In the face card A are formed a series of openings, *a*, these openings in the present instance being two in number and rectangular in shape. The number and shape of these openings may be varied, however, as circumstances may suggest. Above the openings *a* is an opening, *b*, similar in shape to some article of apparel, the shape in the present instance being that of a neckscarf.

Before the face card A and back card, B, are secured together, strips *d*, of silk or other material of a character suitable for the manufacture of the article represented, are secured to the rear of the face card A at intervals around the edges of the openings *a* and *b* therein, the strips *d* being of sufficient size to project somewhat beyond the edges of the openings. A piece of wadding, *f*, is placed in the rear of the strip which covers the opening *b*, so that when the face and back cards are secured together the strip will have an appearance of fullness, and will resemble the finished scarf more closely than a flat strip.

By using both a face card and a back card, cutting openings in the face card, and confining the strips of material between the two cards, each strip is bounded by sharp, well-defined edges, and the device presents a much neater and more attractive appearance than when strips cut to the proper shape are pasted upon the face of a card, the strips in the latter

case presenting irregular and frayed edges, which detract materially from the effectiveness of the sample.

The strips *d*, which cover the openings *a*, are of patterns different from each other and from the strip which covers the opening *b*, so that a purchaser may have an opportunity to compare the different samples and judge of their effect when made up.

To the front of the face card A is secured a strip, *g*, which extends between the upper ends of the opening *b*, corresponding to the collar-band of the scarf, the strip *g* thus serving to represent the inside of the rear part of the band, and having printed upon it the name or title usually printed upon this part of the neckband of a finished scarf.

The face card A may in some cases have the opening *b* only therein, the additional pattern-samples being displayed in some other manner than that shown; but it is preferred to make the card as shown in the drawings, as this facilitates comparisons and insures compactness.

One advantage of my invention as compared with a sample-card having strips of fabric pasted thereon is that the strips *d*, after being removed from the card A, are available for further use, the application of paste or cement to the strip at intervals around the edge of the same being no objection to the subsequent use of the strip for many purposes.

I claim as my invention—

1. A sample-card comprising the face card A, with opening *b* shaped to represent some article of apparel, the back card, B, and the strip *d*, secured between the face and back of the card, and composed of fabric of a character suitable for the article represented, as set forth.

2. The combination of the face card A, the back card, B, the intervening fabric *d*, and the wadding *f*, as set forth.

3. The combination of the face card A, having an opening, *b*, with the strip *g*, as specified.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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