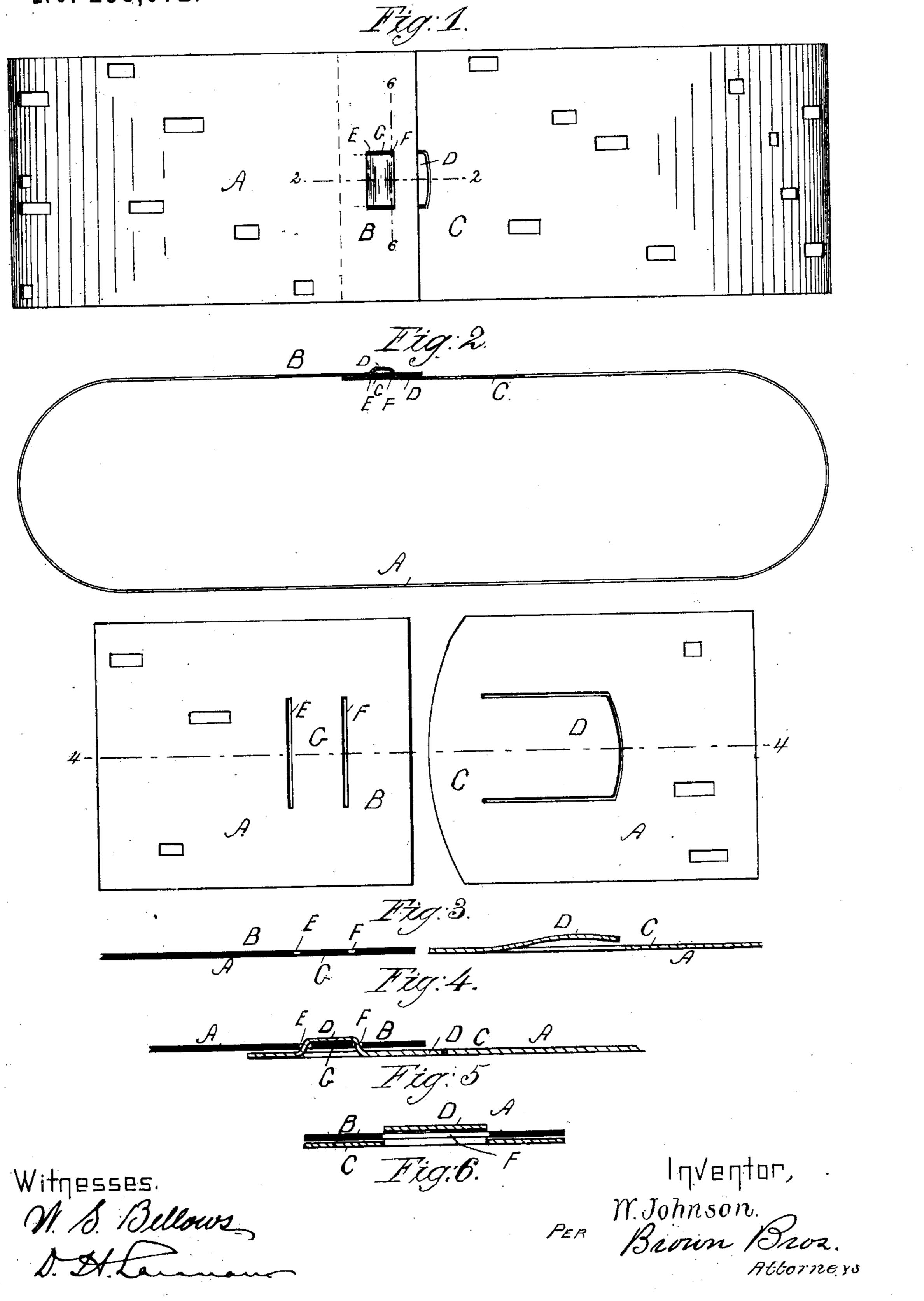
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIS JOHNSON, of Waterbury, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Musical Perforated Strips, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to the perforated strip of paper or other sheet material used in the mechanical musical instruments known in the trade as the "organita," the "organina," and the "organinette," and such like.

The invention consists in a perforated musicsheet having at one end a tongue and at the other end two transverse slots to form a bar for the purpose of connecting the ends of the sheet, in the manner hereinafter more fully described in detail.

In the accompanying plate of drawings the mode of carrying out this invention is illustrated.

Figure 1 is a plan view of a strip of paper, its ends attached together in accordance with this invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudial section of Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a face view of the two ends separated from each other; Fig. 4, a section on line 44, Fig. 3; Fig. 5, a section on line 2 2, Fig. 1; and Fig. 6, a section on line 6 6, Fig. 1, Figs. 3, 4, 5, and 6 being on a larger scale than Figs. 1 and 2.

In the drawings, A represents a strip of paper perforated in parallel rows or lines, and thus adapted for the performance in the class of musical instruments referred to of the tune corresponding to such perforations; B and C, the opposite ends of the strip A; D, a tongue-

piece cut out of one end of the paper strip A, and in the direction of its length, with its free end the farther removed from said end of the paper strip; EF, two parallel slits cut in the 40 end B of the paper strip at right angles to its length, and each having a length suitably corresponding to the width of the tongue D, and forming a bar, G, between them. These slits EF and bar G in the one end, B, and the 45 tongue D.in the other end, C, of the paper strip secure the object aimed at in this invention to wit, the fastening together of the ends of such a paper strip for making it continuous and under this construction of the strip this 50 is done by placing the tongue first through the inside slit and thence over the bar G through the other slit. When the two ends are so attached the strip can be run continuously through the instrument. To detach the ends 55 of the paper strip it is only necessary to pull the tongue D out of the slits E F, as is obvious without further explanation.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, 60 is—

A perforated music-sheet having a tongue, D, on one end and transverse slots E F on the other end to form the bar G, all substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

WILLIS JOHNSON.

Witnesses:

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