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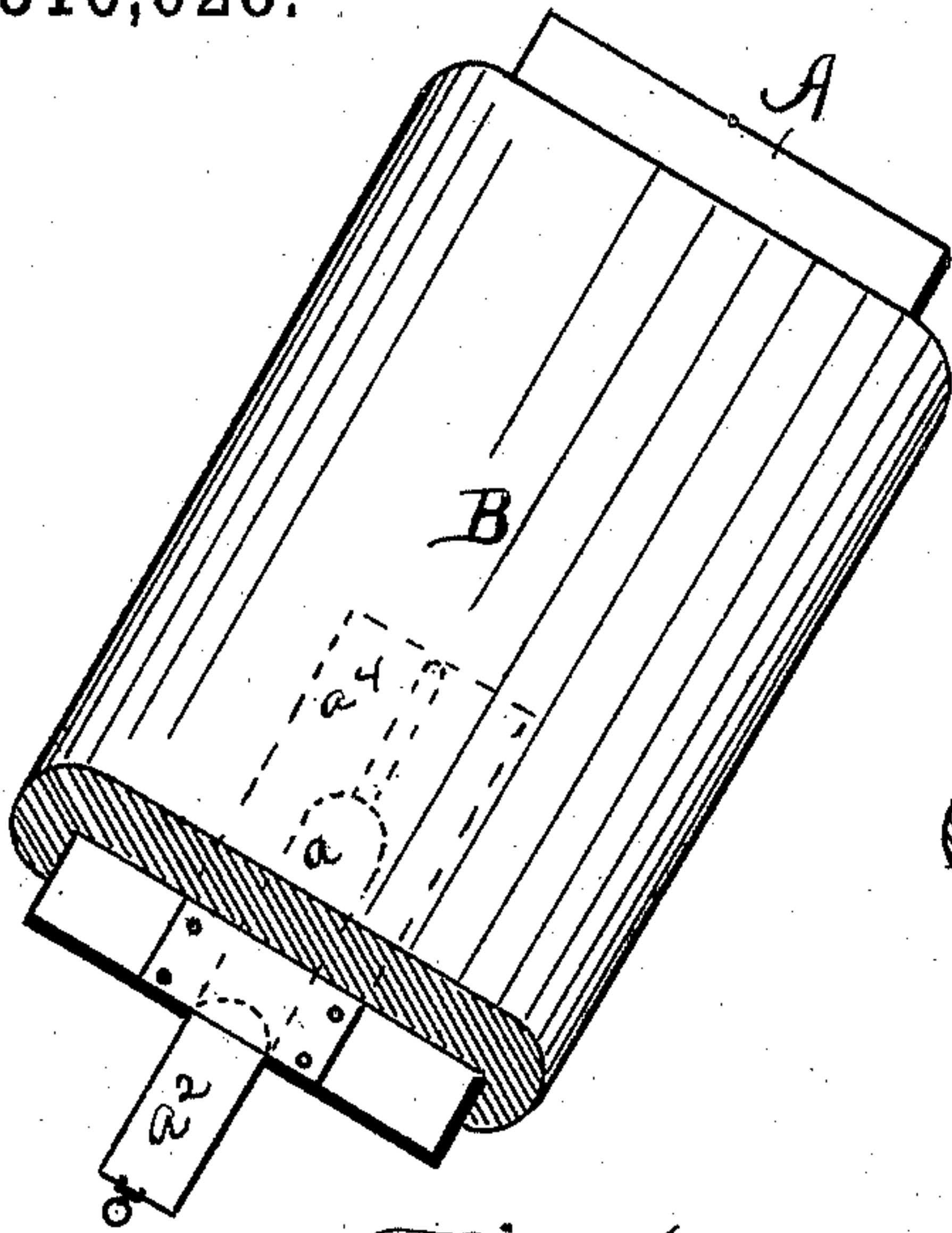


Fig. 1.

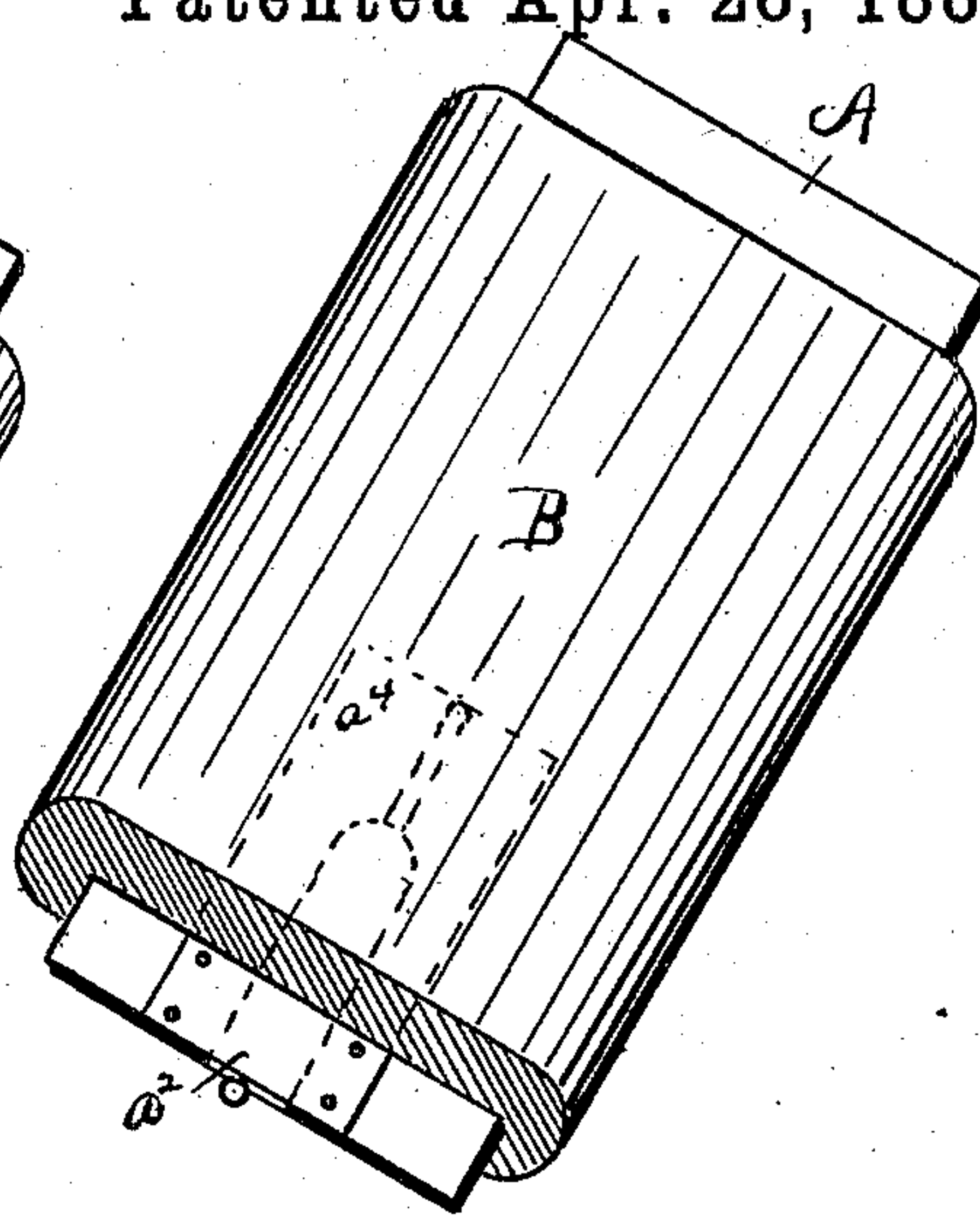


Fig. 2.

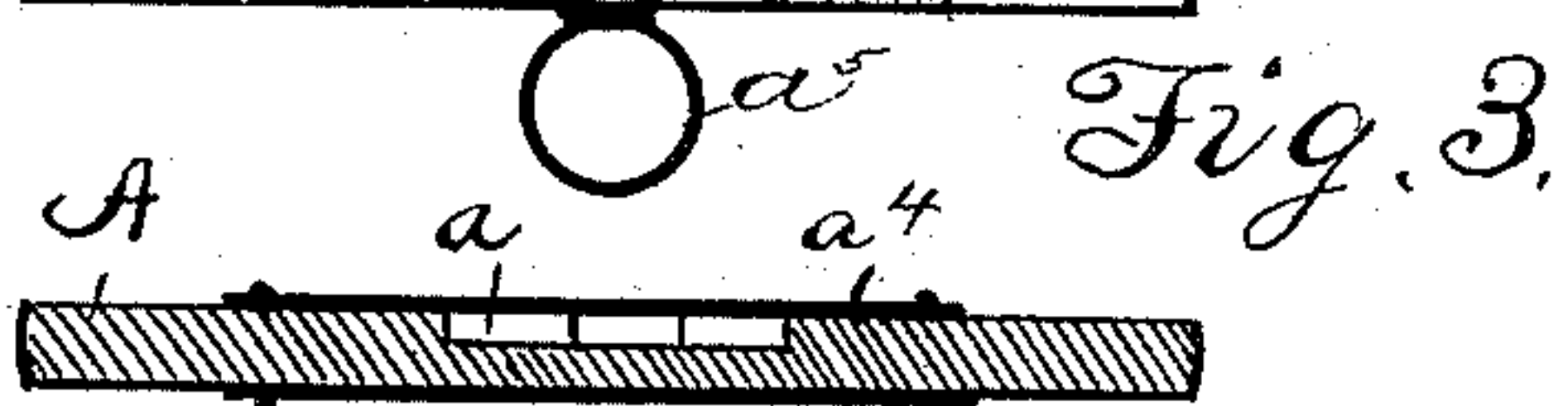
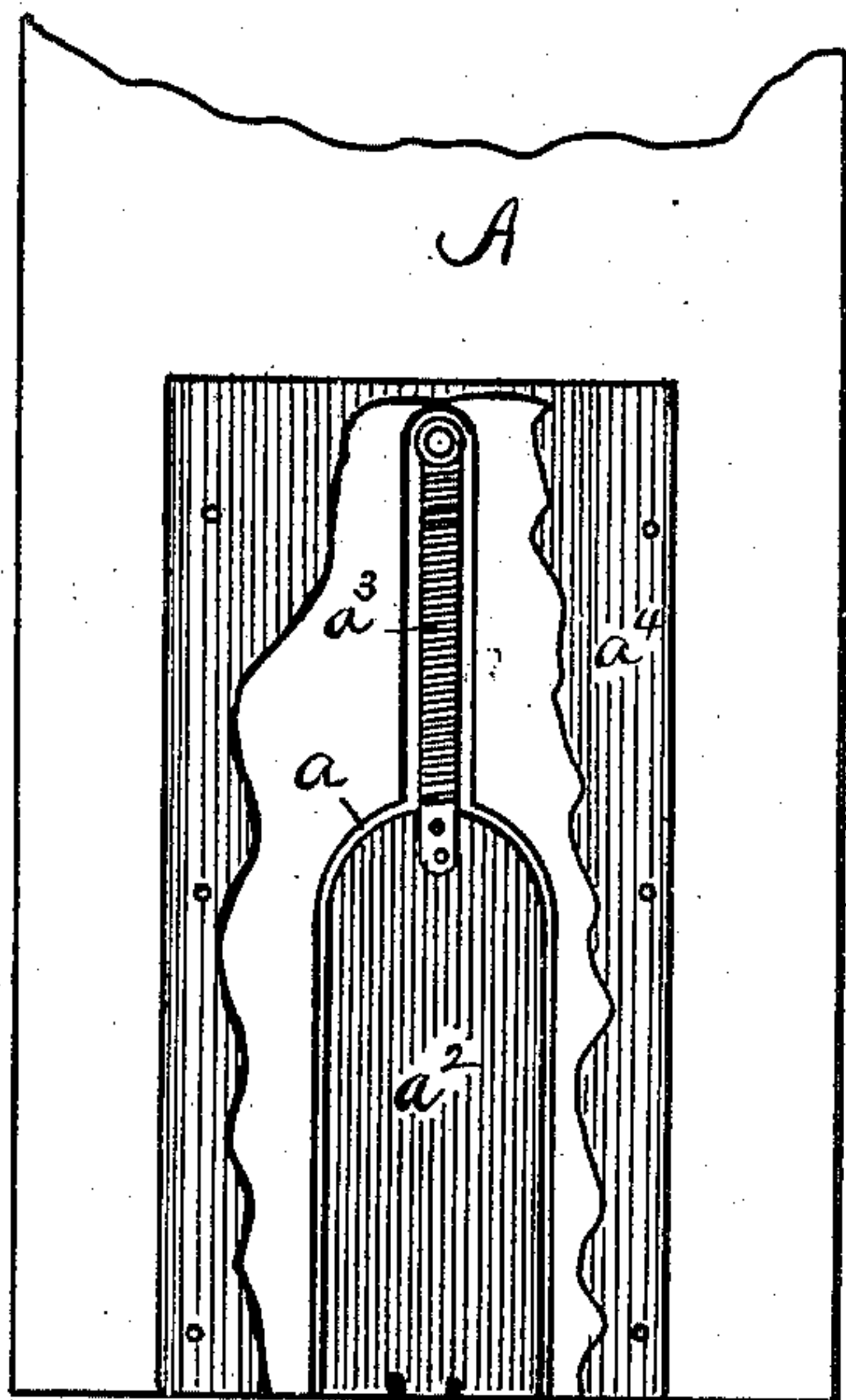


Fig. 3.

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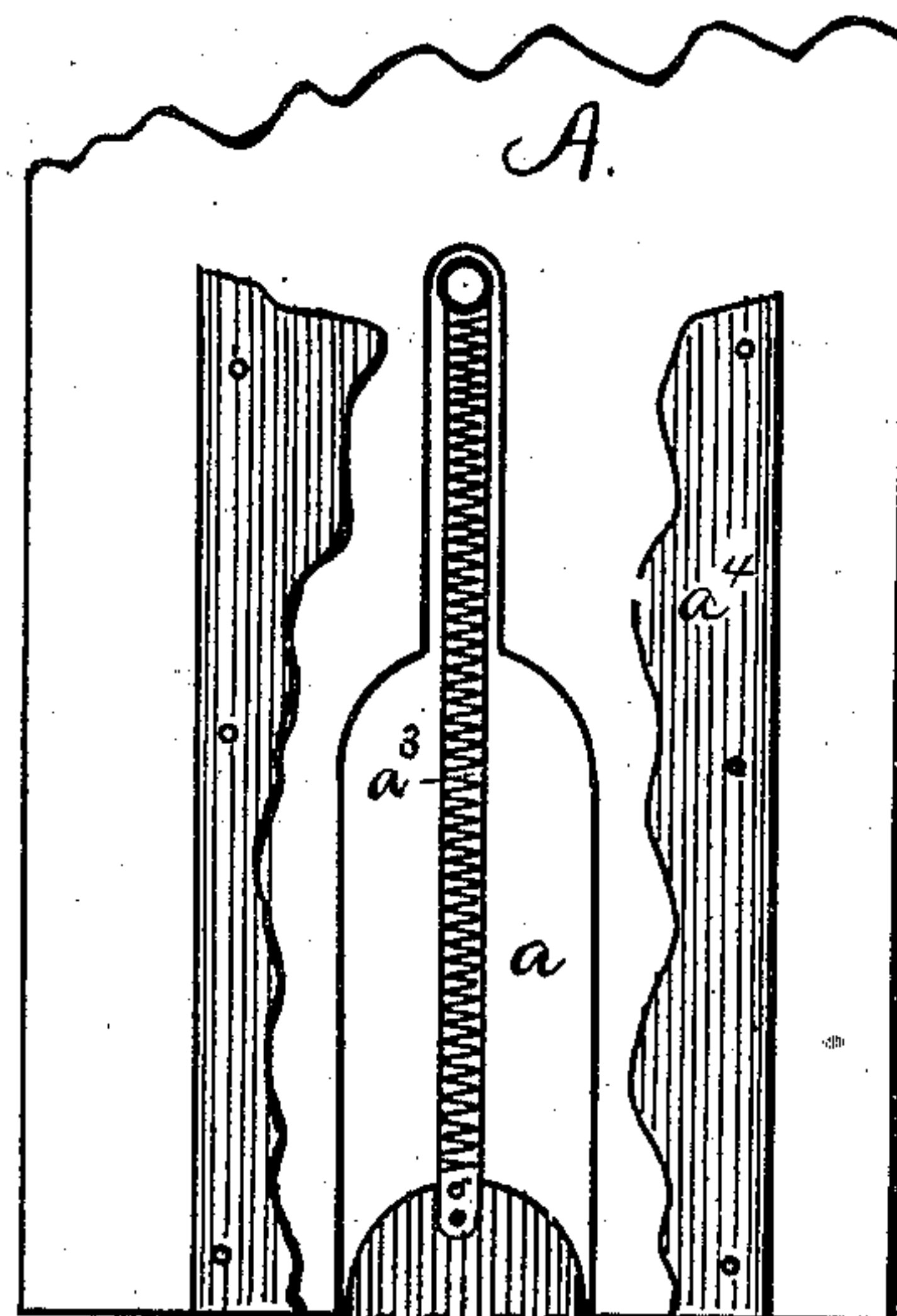


Fig. 4.

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## ADJUSTABLE TAG.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN W. JONES, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of Utica, in the county of Oneida and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in an Adjustable Tag and Cloth-Board; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters and figures marked thereon.

My invention relates to an improvement in an adjustable tag and cloth-board arranged for displaying prices, number of yards, and trade-mark of the fabric wrapped on the cloth-board; and it consists in the combination and mechanism hereinafter more particularly described and claimed.

In the manufacture of cloth, dress-goods, and other fabrics of similar character, the same are usually wrapped upon a cloth-board with tickets or labels put upon the outside on which are indicated the number of yards contained in the piece, the trade-mark, and other facts which the manufacturer wishes to make known to the public. In the use of these tags and labels they are liable to get displaced, become broken, and worn out. To obviate this trouble I have provided a cloth-board recessed at the end to receive and hold a reciprocating tag, which may be moved out or in by an elastic connection between the tag and cloth-board.

I am aware that tags have been heretofore provided with elastic connection with a tag-case, with projections on the surface designed and constructed to be inserted and held between the folds of cloth wrapped on the cloth-board. This I do not claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a roll of cloth on a cloth-board, with my improved tag extended. Fig. 2 represents the same with the tag drawn back. Fig. 3 is a plan view of a portion of the cloth-board with the tag exposed before the same is extended, the broken lines showing a section of the cover of the recess removed. Fig. 4 is a view of the same with the tag extended. Fig. 5 is an end view of the cloth-board.

Having described my invention by reference to the figures in the accompanying drawings, I will now proceed to describe it by ref-

erence to the letters marked thereon, in which similar letters refer to corresponding parts throughout the several views.

A represents my improved cloth-board, of the required size to accommodate the cloth to be wrapped thereon. In one end of the board I provide recess *a*, of the required size to accommodate a tag which is designed to move therein. I provide tag *a*<sup>2</sup>. This tag is constructed of paper or cloth-paper, of the required size, on which may be printed or written the number of yards contained in the piece, trade-mark, or any other matter which the manufacturer or purchaser may see fit to place thereon. The inner or circular end of the tag is connected by a coiled-wire spring or elastic web or cord to a post in the rear of the recess, and so adjusted in length as to hold the tag entirely in the recess, as indicated in Fig. 3. On the opposite or outer end of the tag is a circular projection formed of leather, cloth, or cloth-paper of sufficient strength and size to enable the operator to take hold of the tag and draw the same from the recess to expose the same, as indicated in Fig. 4.

*a*<sup>3</sup> represents a coiled spring for connecting the tag in the recess to the post in the rear thereof. The recess and tag, with its connection, is covered with tin or paper, or other suitable material for imparting strength to the cloth-board, to prevent the same from warping or cracking.

*a*<sup>4</sup> represents the cover to the tag and recess, and may be attached to the cloth-board by tacks or glue. A similar strip of metal or paper to *a*<sup>4</sup> should be placed upon the opposite side of the board, as indicated in Fig. 5, to prevent the board from warping or cracking.

*a*<sup>5</sup>, Figs. 3 and 4, represents a reference tab attached to tag *a*<sup>2</sup>, which always remains outside of the cloth-board and recess, and attached to the tag, as hereinbefore described. This serves the purpose of a projection on the tag, by which the operator can draw the tag from the recess, and also for indicating the price and number of yards in the piece, which may be seen at a glance without disturbing the rolls of cloth when piled or stacked together. This tag may be attached to tag *a*<sup>2</sup> by means of metallic clamps, or it may be a

part of tag  $a^2$  extending beyond the cloth-board, as before indicated.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

- 5 The cloth-board A, recessed, as described, to accommodate the tag, and provided with a cover, as  $a^4$ , in combination with tag  $a^2$ , spring  $a^3$ , and tab  $a^5$ , substantially as described.

Signed at Utica, New York, this 20th day of December, 1884.

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