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Fig. 1.

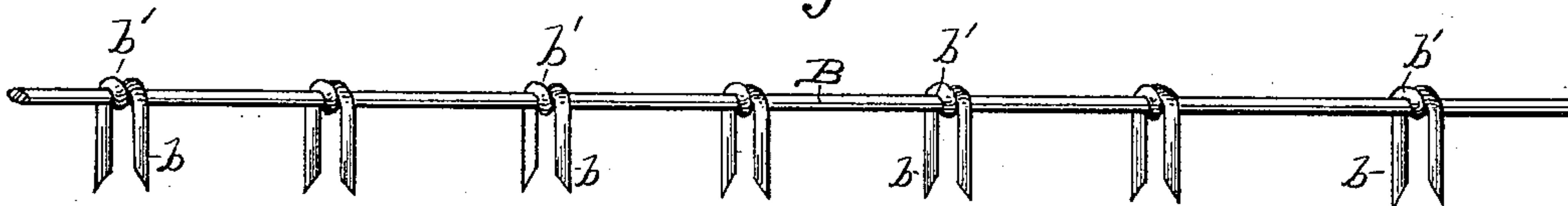


Fig. 2.

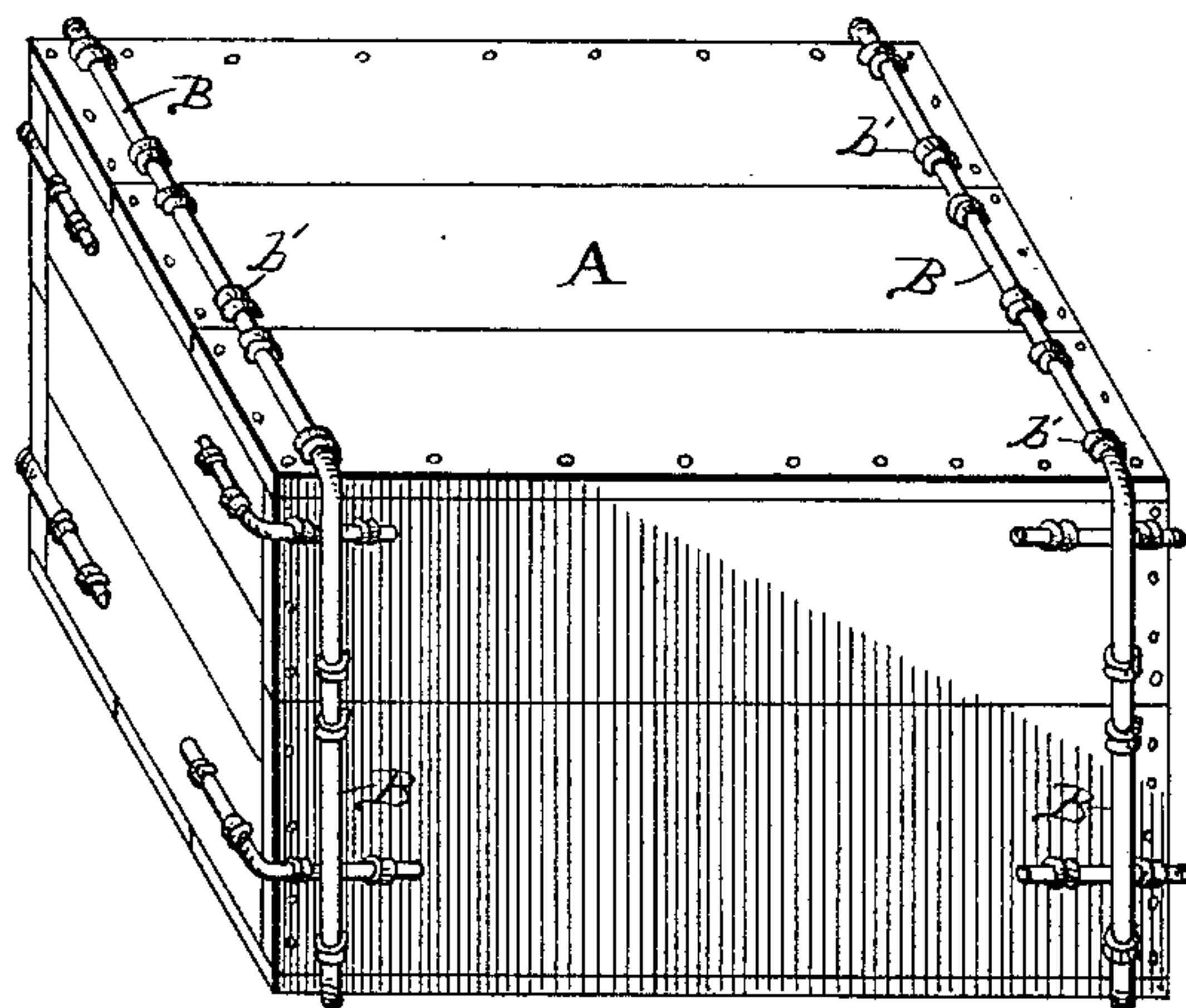
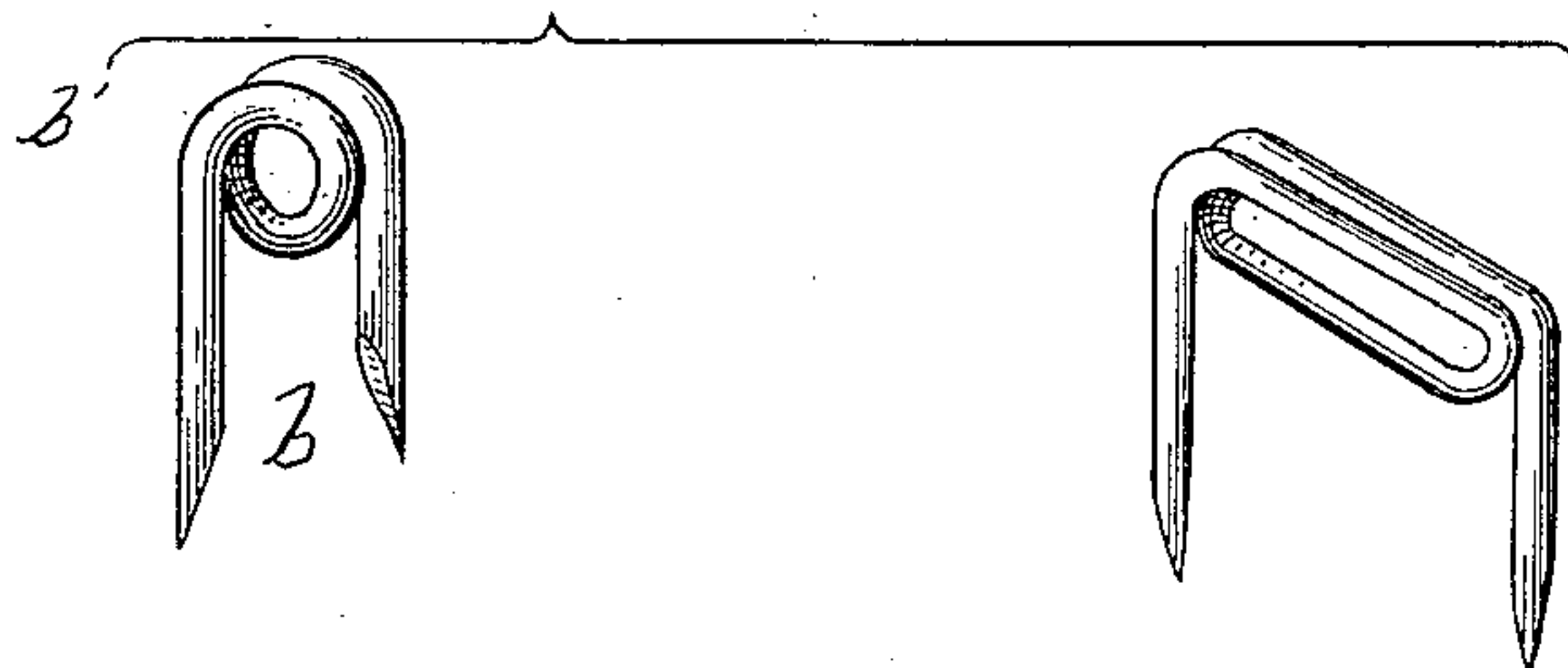


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY S. BREWINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Straps for Securing Packages, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to straps for securing packages, which will be hereinafter more fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 represents a strap with coiled staples thereon at certain intervals. Fig. 2 represents in perspective a box secured by a strap shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents coiled staples of two forms, enlarged.

A is a box secured by the strap.

B is a strap, which can be either round or flat, of any length, which has coiled around it at convenient intervals short staples of wire, *b*, having their ends sharpened. The part of the staples *b'* which is coiled around the strap B can be secured thereto in any manner; but it is not essential that they should be secured, as these staples can be made, as represented in Fig. 3, to fit round wire or a flat strap, and be spaced along either of them, when used for fastening a package, to suit the various widths of the boards used, as shown in Fig. 2, where the staples are spaced according to the joints between the boards. Short pieces of straps

may be used to secure the corners wherever required, as shown in Fig. 2.

If the round wire is used, the staples can be soldered to the wire, and it can be manufactured in continuous rolls for use, from which any length required can be severed. When the box or other package is to be secured, one end of the wire is fastened by driving the first staple into the wood, and as the strap is forced down each staple is driven in. The strap can be bent over the edge, and so on for all the sides of the box. The strap is to be cut off at the place of beginning, and to be secured by one of its own staples; or, if there be no staple near the end, a loose coiled staple can be used. Around the corners of the box, where required, short pieces of strap can be used, having two or four staples, and these pieces are to be bent and secured, as represented in Fig. 2.

I do not claim the use of wire or a flat strap secured by ordinary staples; but

What I claim is--

A strap for securing packages having coiled around it at convenient intervals staples of wire, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I hereto affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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