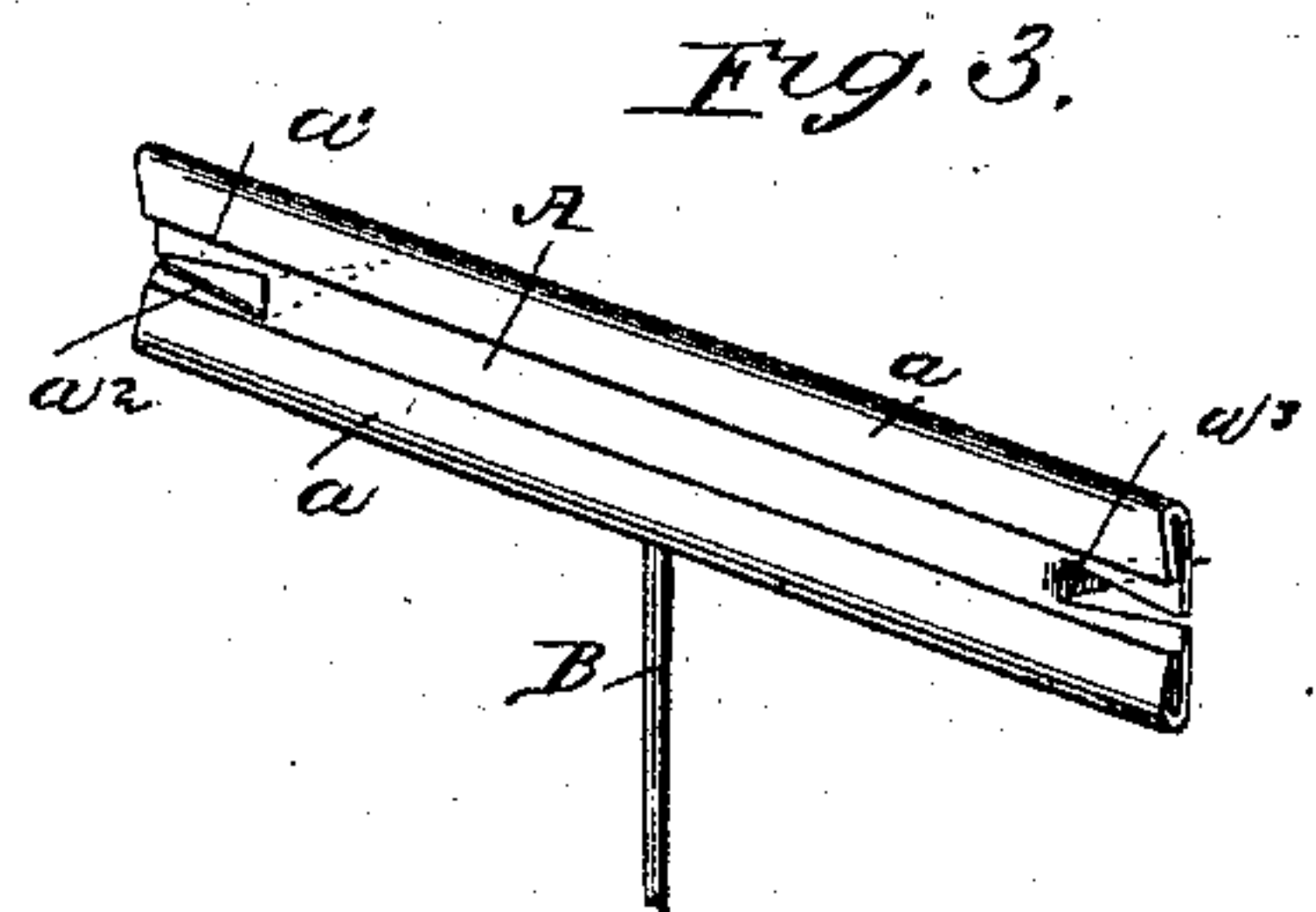
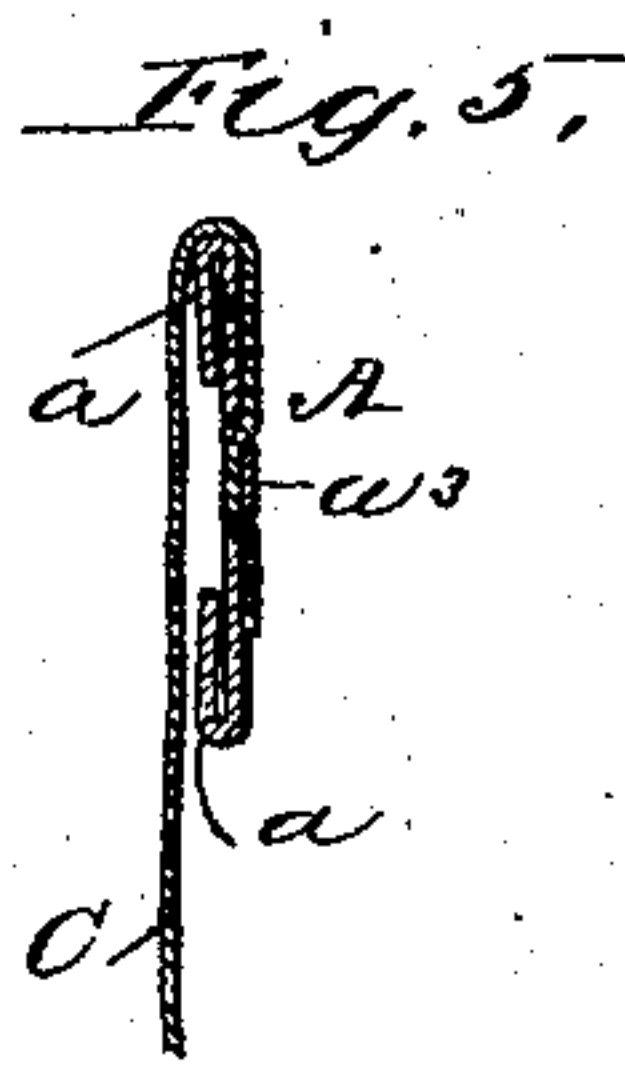
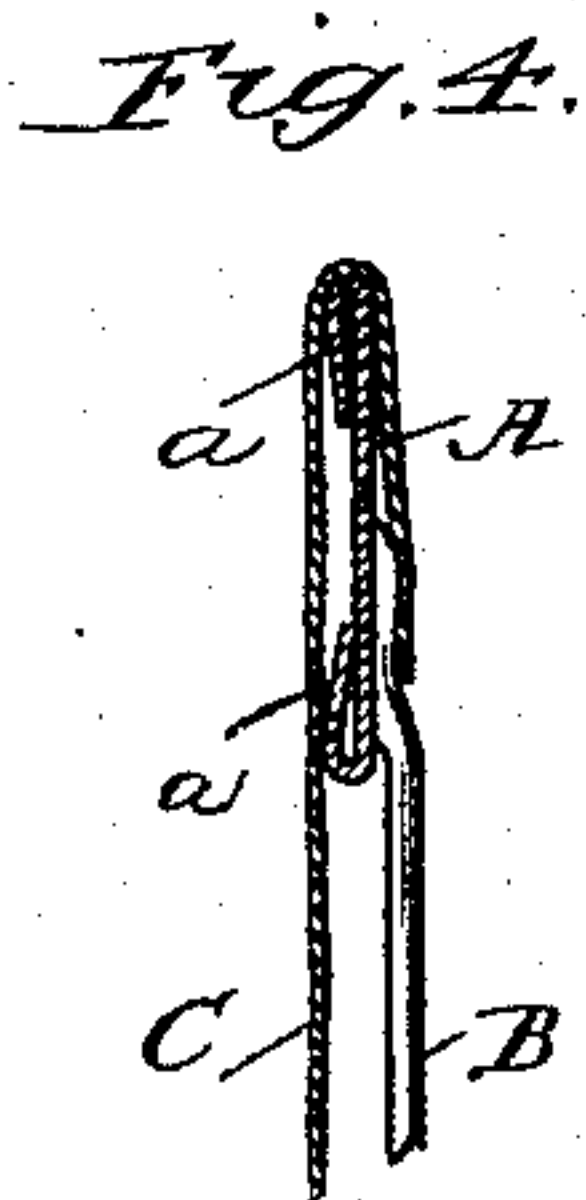
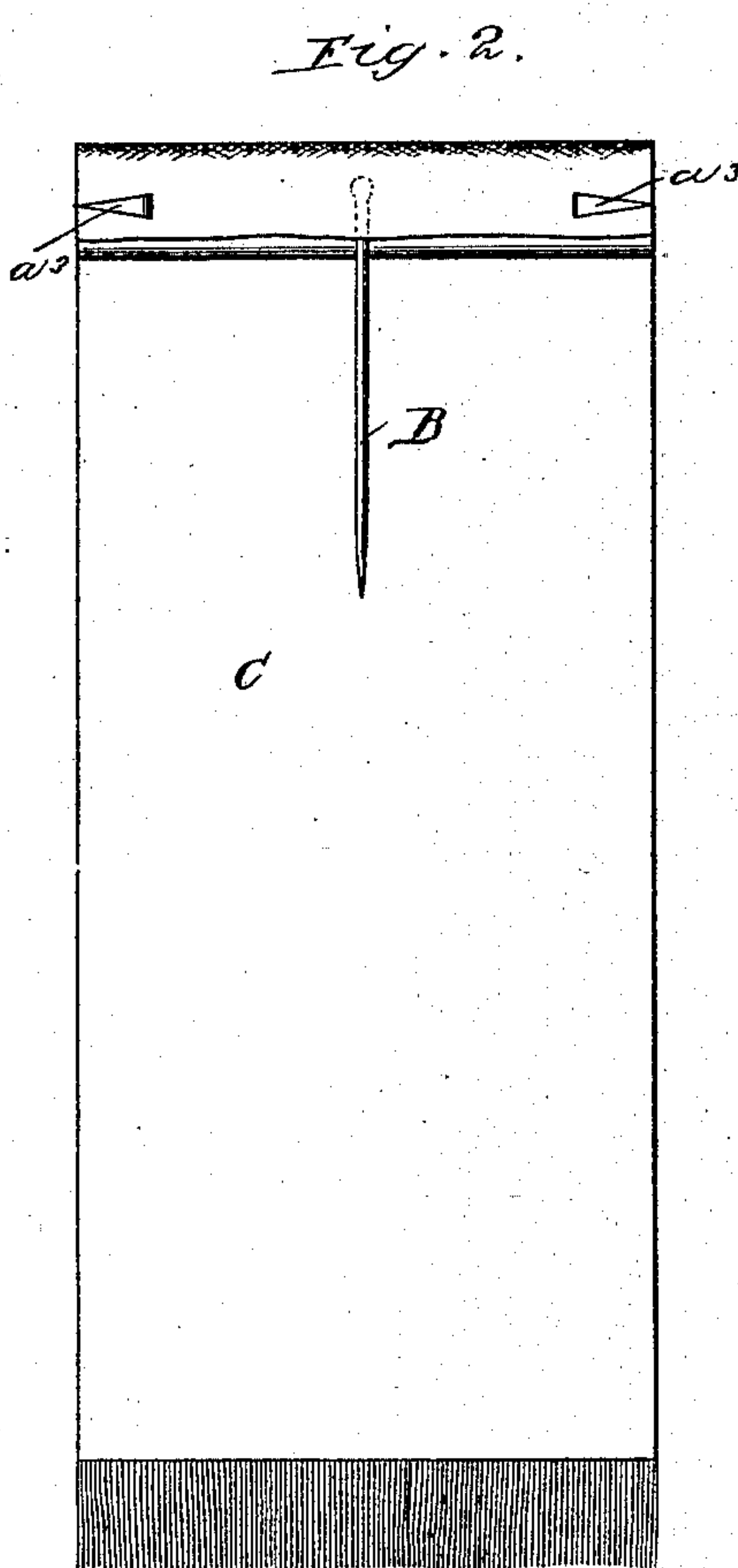
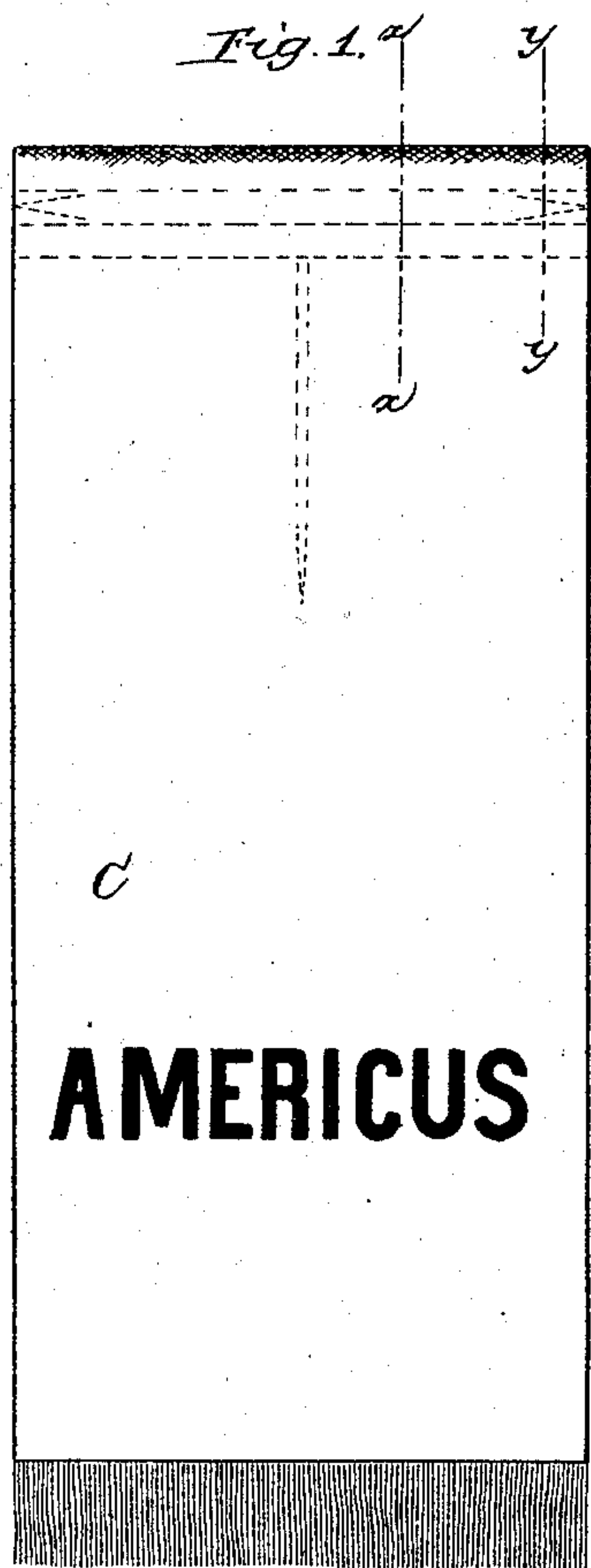


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GERALD B. FRANKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Peoria, in the county of Peoria, State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Badge-Holders, of which I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

My present invention has for its object to provide a simple, cheap, and effective form of badge-holder, which may be struck up from a single sheet of metal, and which will enable the badge to be quickly and easily applied thereto, and when so applied to be firmly and evenly held against danger of displacement. This object I have accomplished by the improved construction of badge-holder hereinafter described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the claims at the end of this specification.

Figure 1 is a front view of a badge, the holder being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the badge with the holder attached thereto, showing the manner in which the attachment is effected. Fig. 3 is a front perspective view of the badge-holder detached from the badge. Fig. 4 is a view in transverse section on line *xx* of Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a view in vertical section on line *yy* of Fig. 1.

The body A of the badge-holder is by preference formed of a single sheet or plate of metal, the edges *a* of which are folded over upon the body for the purpose of giving increased strength thereto. It will be understood, however, that, without departing from the spirit of the invention, the folding of either or both of the edges *a* may be omitted. Adjacent its side edges the plate A is provided with the slits *a'* and *a''*, which converge at the edges of the plate and serve to form the tongues or points *a'''*, the bases of which are thus integrally connected with the body A, while their outer ends extend to about the edges of the plate A. To the back of the body A is connected, in any suitable manner, a pin, B, which serves as a suitable means for attaching

the badge-holder to the coat or other garment of the wearer.

In order to enable the badge C to be attached to the holder the points or tongues *a'''* will be bent backwardly and outwardly at an angle to the body A, (see Fig. 3,) and will be thrust through the badge C near its end. The points or tongues *a'''* will then be pressed down toward their original position, and the badge will be folded over the upper edge of the body of the holder, as seen in Figs. 1 and 2. My object in forming the tongues or points *a'''* adjacent the edges of the body A is to permit the holder to be cheaply formed from a strip of uniform width, and also to enable the extreme edges of the badge C to be securely held between the body A of the holder and the outer end of the tongues or points *a'''*; and it is obvious that when the badge has been attached to the holder in the manner indicated the tongues or points *a'''* not only serve to connect the badge to the holder but also serve the further important function of securely retaining evenly and against displacement the outer edges of the badge. It is obvious that the outer ends of the tongues or points *a'''* may terminate either slightly beyond or slightly short of the edges of the body A of the holder without departing from the spirit of my invention, although I regard the construction and arrangement shown as preferable.

I am well aware that it has been heretofore proposed to form paper-fasteners and card-suspending rings of single strips of metal having tongues or points struck out from the body of the metal and adapted to be passed through the sheets of paper to be held thereby. In such prior constructions, however, the outer ends of the tongues or points do not extend to approximately the edges of the body from which they were struck up, as in the badge-holder made in accordance with my present invention.

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

1. A badge-holder formed of a single plate of metal having tongues or points *a'''* cut there-

from, the bases of said tongues or points being integral with the body A, and the outer ends of said points or tongues extending to approximately the edges of said body, said body
5 being provided with a suitable attaching device, substantially as described.

2. A badge-holder formed of a single plate, A, of metal, having the folded edge a , and

having the tongues or points a^3 formed integrally therewith near the outer edges, and 10 provided with a suitable pin, B, substantially as described.

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