

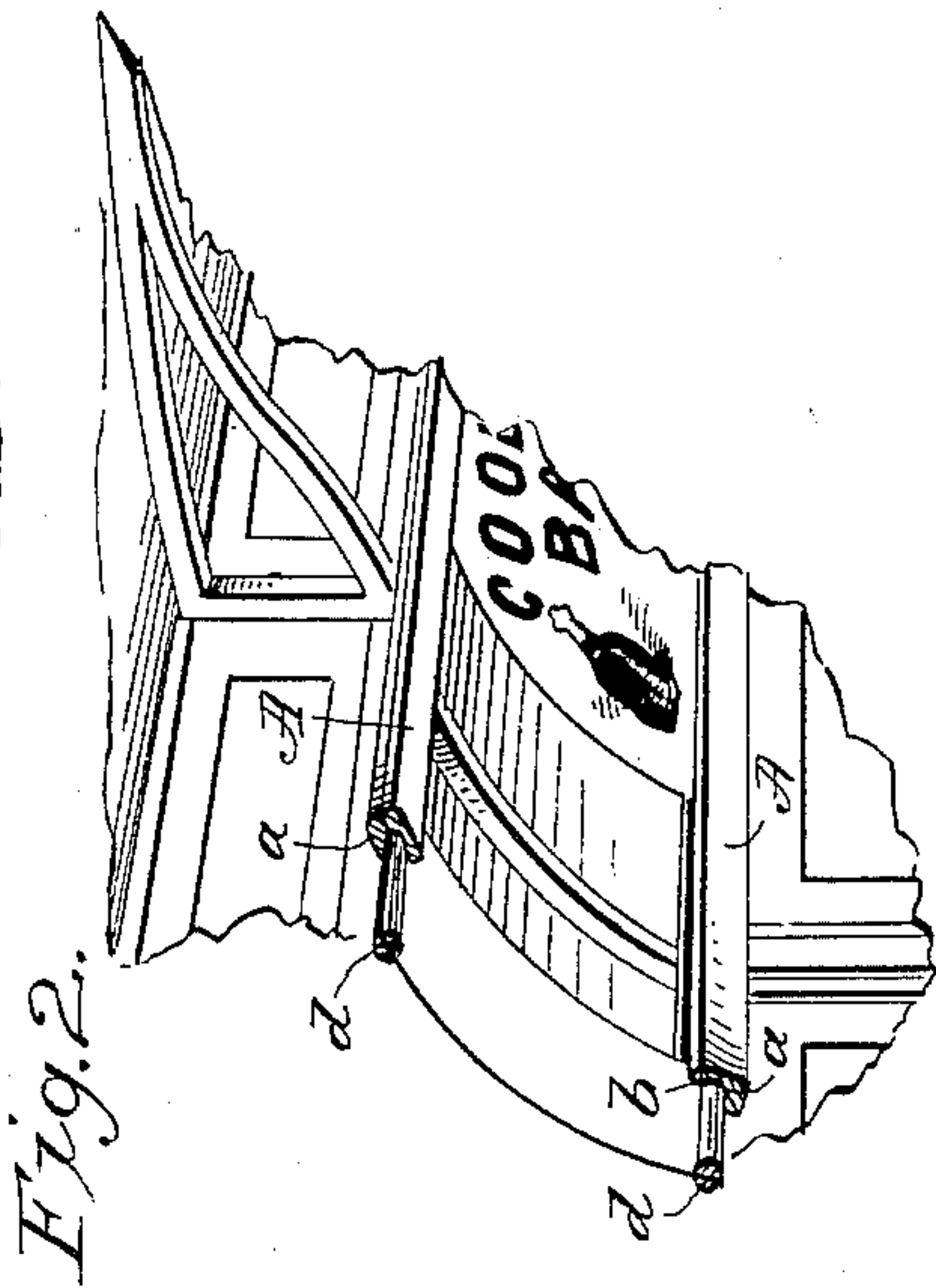
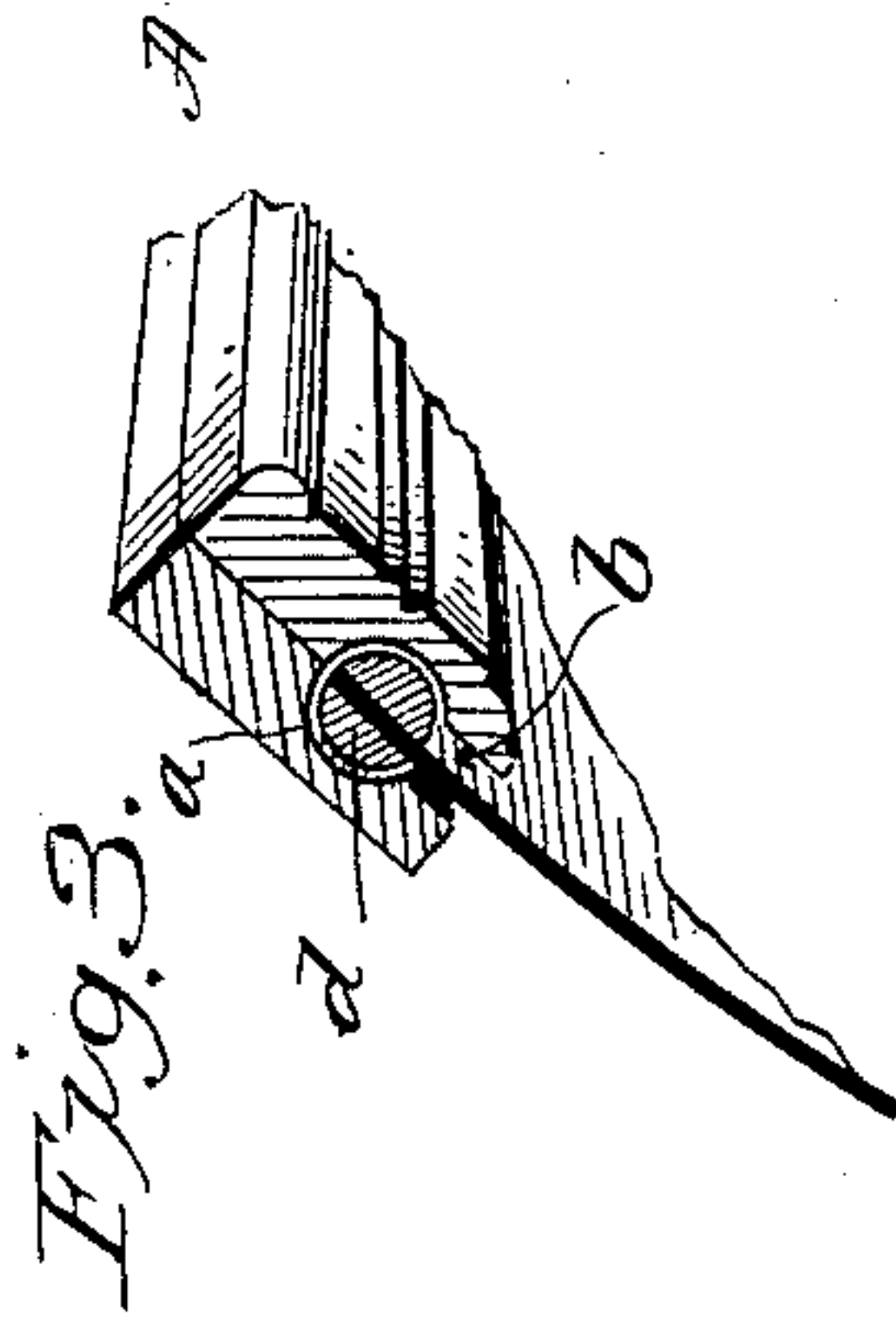
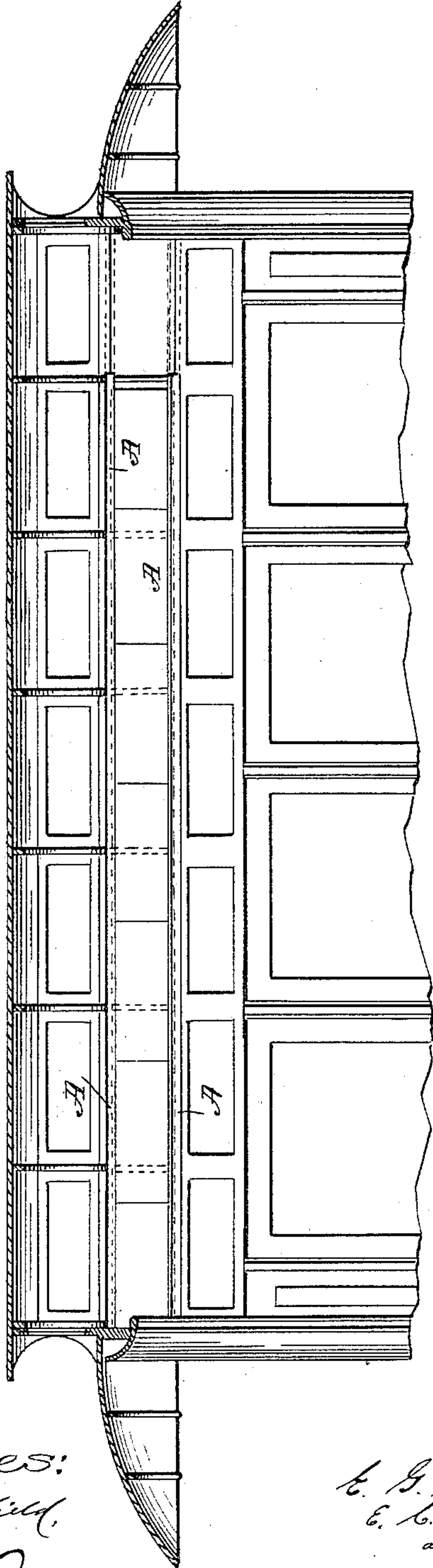
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Fig. 1.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EDWARD G. BOND, of Waltham, in the county of Middlesex, EDWIN C. GOLDSMITH, of Springfield, in the county of Hampden, and ALBERT GOLDSMITH, of Salem, in the county of Essex, and State of Massachusetts, citizens of the United States, have invented new and useful Improvements in Supporting Devices for Advertising and other Cards or Sheets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to supporting devices for advertising and other cards or sheets, the object of the invention being to provide an appliance of the character indicated which is simple, cheap, and efficient, and which is readily applicable in a great variety of situations, the principal object of the invention being the provision of an advertising-rack for street-railway cars.

The invention consists in a supporting device for a card or analogous sheet of peculiar construction, hereinafter set forth.

The invention further consists in the combination, with the peculiarly-constructed supporting device, of a sheet or card bearing the advertisement or configuration, which is also of a peculiar construction, to be particularly set forth.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, in which this invention is illustrated, Figure 1 being an elevation of the interior of a street-railway car, showing therein the support for cards with advertising-cards therein. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a part of the car-interior and of the card-support, also showing a card as partially inserted. Fig. 3 is a sectional and perspective view of a portion of a supporting-strip for one edge of the card and of the card engaged therewith.

The support essentially comprises a strip or molding A, which has a longitudinal passage *a* through it, and a longitudinal slit *b*, which leads from its edge to said longitudinal passage. The card bearing the advertisement or other matter or configuration has its edge formed with a bead or enlargement *d*, which is adapted to loosely fit said longitudi-

nal passage *a* in the strip, its portion adjacent to said beaded edge extending through the said slit *b*. This strip A is usually formed of wood, and is made by providing two strips and grooving each in its side a short distance from its edge and then rabbeting the edge of each strip, between said edge and said groove, and then placing the two strips with their grooved sides together, securing same by gluing, nailing, or otherwise.

In the equipment of a car with supporting devices for the advertising-cards, two of the strips A are usually provided and secured in the car in any suitable manner, being arranged in parallel lines, as seen at A A, Figs. 1 and 2, with their edges separated by a distance usually a little less than the width of the card, so that when the card is engaged by its edges with the longitudinal passage in each strip, which passages lie toward the inner edges of the respective strips, the card will be concaved or curved, as is shown in Fig. 2, as is often considered desirable, although by properly spacing the strips they may be adapted to hold the cards in flat form. The card is to be engaged by its beaded edges with the passages *a a* in the strips, by entering one end of the card at the ends of the strips and sliding the card longitudinally.

While it is usually preferable to employ two of the strips, substantially as described and in the manner set forth, plainly a single strip merely holding the upper beaded edge of the card affords a very efficient suspension means.

What we claim as our invention is—

1. An appliance for the support of advertising and other cards, formed of two wooden strips, each having on one side within its edges a longitudinal groove, and also rabbeted between said groove and its one edge to a depth less than that of said groove, and said strips being confined to one upon the other with their grooved sides matching, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination, with a strip having a longitudinal passage therein and a longitudinal slit of less diameter than said passage and leading thereto from one edge of the strip, of

the card or sheet having its edge formed with a bead or enlargement and adapted to engage with said strip, as set forth.

3. An advertising-rack consisting of two
5 strips supported at suitable distances apart parallel to each other and each having a longitudinal passage and a longitudinal slit of less diameter than said passage and leading thereto from the inner edge of the strip,
10 combined with the advertising card or sheet provided at its edges with the beads or en-

largements, substantially as described and shown.

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