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Fig. 1.

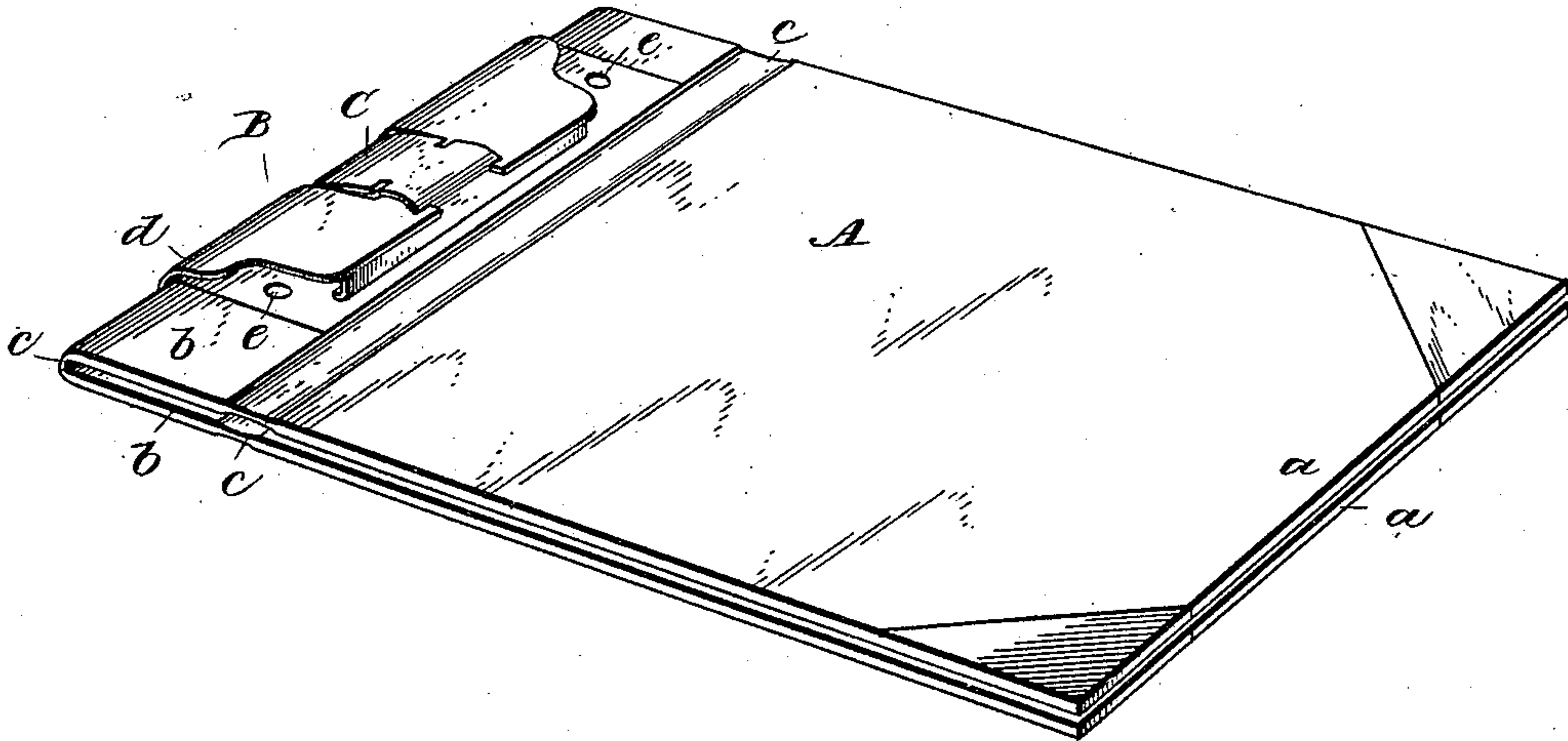


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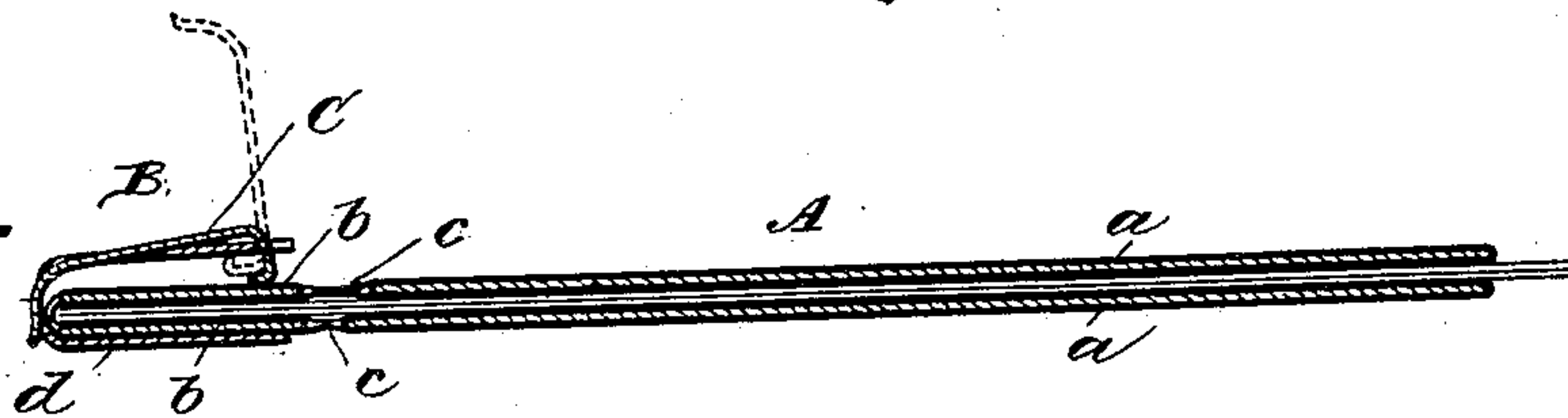


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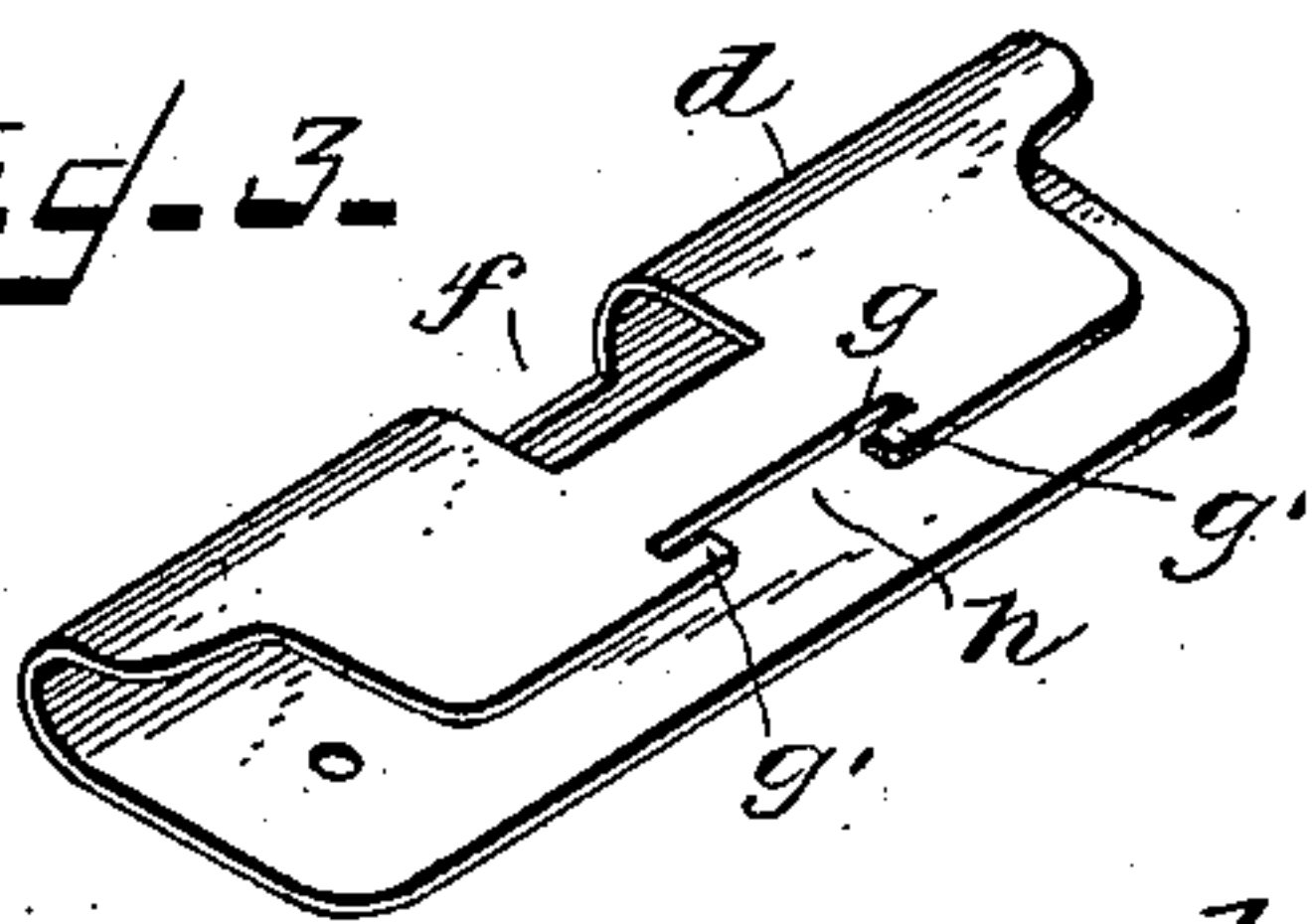


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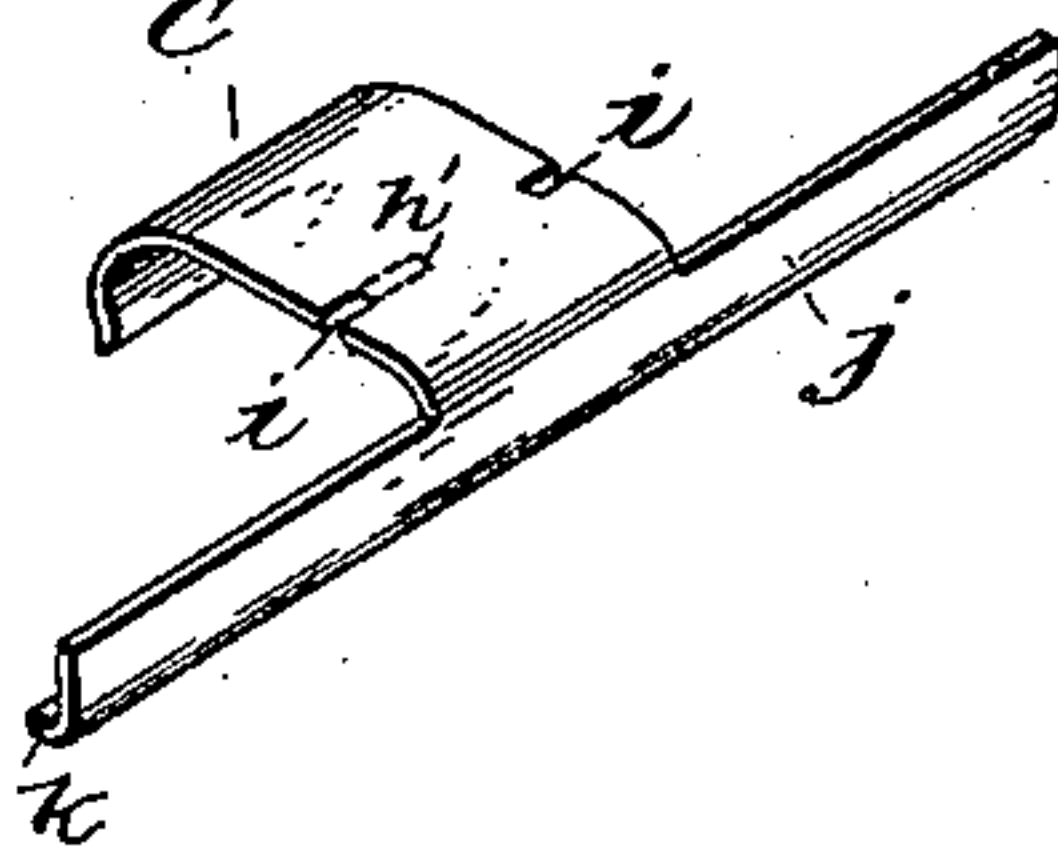


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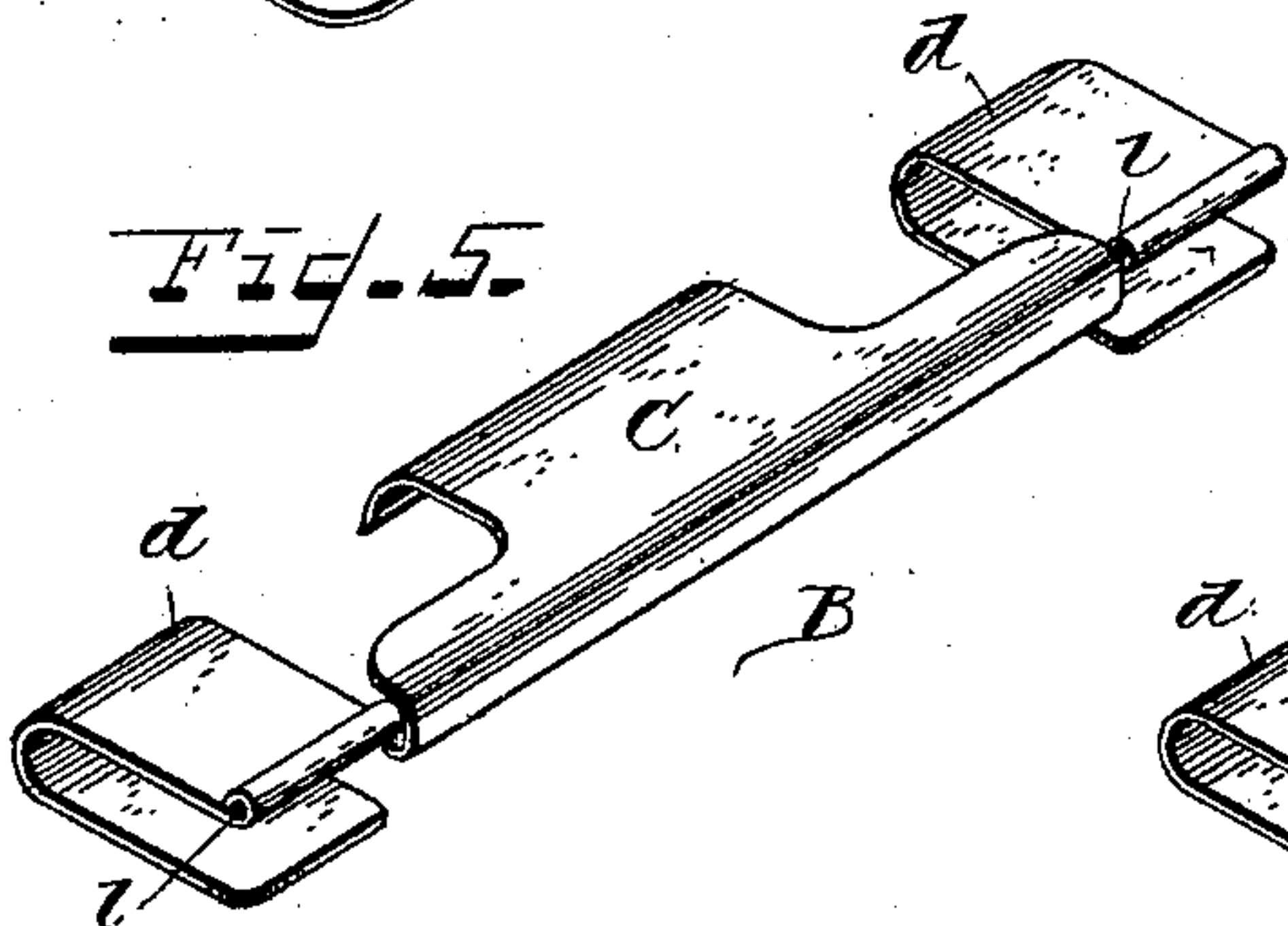
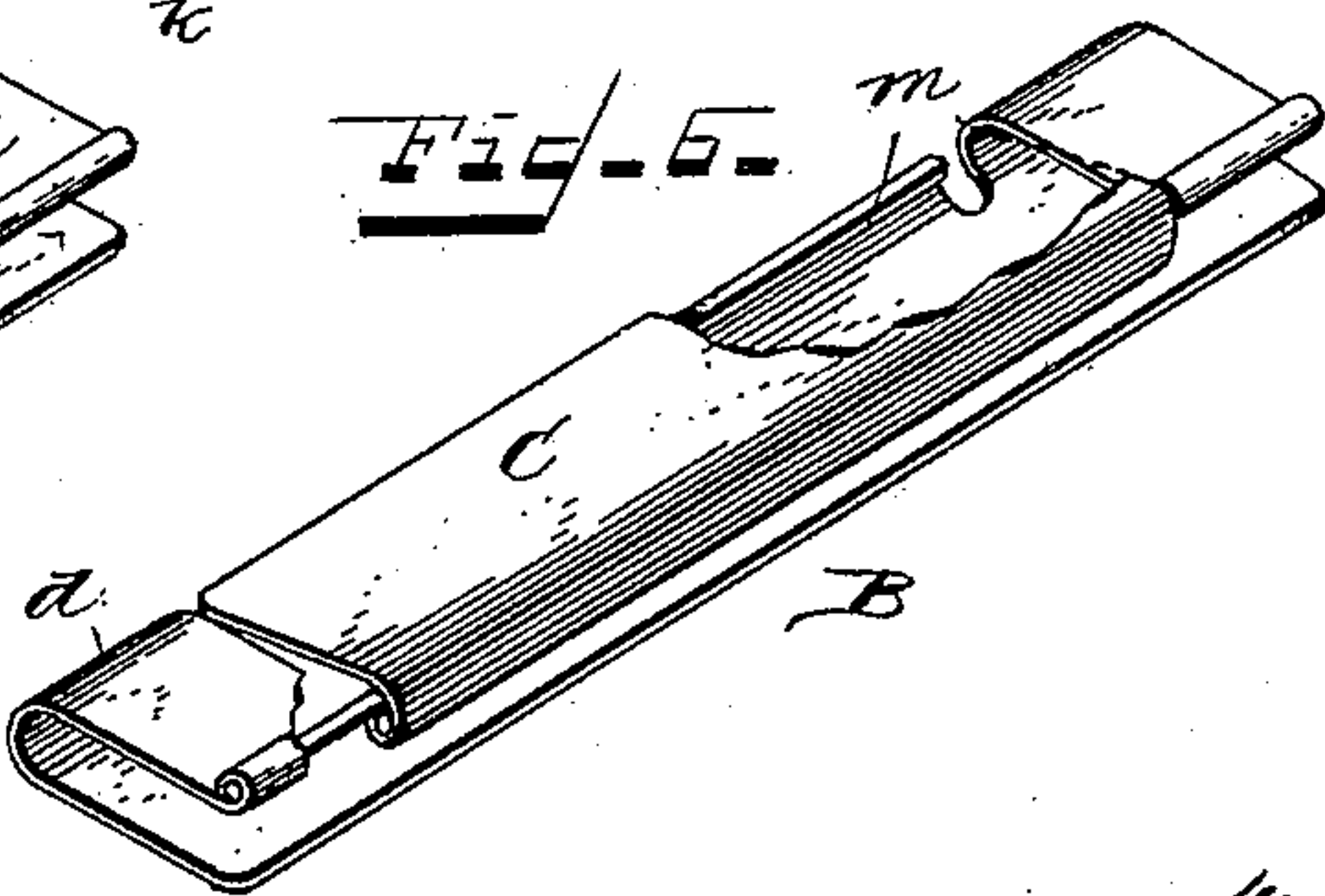


Fig. 6.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE A. HUEWE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of Cincinnati, in the county of Hamilton and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Order-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of the clamping device, which will be hereinafter more fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims made hereto.

My invention is fully illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, and in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of an order-holder illustrating my invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the same, the position of the clamp when open being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the clamping-plate, and Fig. 4 is a similar view of the clamping-lever. Figs. 5 and 6 are perspective views, showing modified forms of my invention.

A designates the cover, which is made of board or other suitable material; and it consists of the two wide flaps *a a* and the two narrow strips or flaps *b b*. These flaps are covered and united by a continuous piece of canvas or other suitable material and glued or otherwise secured to both sides, sufficient spaces, as *c c c*, being left between the rigid parts in order to form hinges for the purpose of allowing the flaps to be turned back or folded at the points, where they are thus united or hinged together by the canvas; but any other suitable hinge may be employed. The space *c* between the upper flaps *a* and *b* is made wider than at the other points of connection, as shown in the drawings, in order to enable the top cover to be folded back over the clamp.

B designates my improved clamping device. This is preferably made of steel and is adapted to fit over the two narrow flaps *b b* at their center when folded together, and consists of the U-shaped plate *d*, secured to the bottom flap *b* by means of the rivets or other suitable

fastening. The hole *e* is drilled through both of the flaps *b b*, in order that the rivet may be inserted and secured to the bottom flap after the clamp is slipped over the cover. The plate *d* is provided with the cut-out portion *f*, and the slot *g* cut out, as at *h*, and forming the shoulders *g'* for the reception of the clamping-lever C. This clamping-lever C is provided with slots *i i* of a sufficient length to allow the shoulders *g'*, formed on the plate *d*, to pass through them. The elongated end *j* of the lever C is bent so as to form a cam, as *k*, for the purpose hereinafter explained.

Instead of having the two slots *h h* in the lever C, one slot only can be used, as shown at *h'* in dotted lines in Fig. 4. The length of this slot *h'* is twice that of the slots *i*, in order to enable the lever to pass through the opening *h* between the shoulders *g'*.

The lever C is held in a vertical position and passed through the opening *h* in plate *d*, the shoulder *g'* being passed through the slots *i*. The lever is then pulled up until its cam-shaped portion bears against the under side of the plate. The clamp is now slipped over the outside of the central flaps *b* of the cover when folded, and its under side secured to the bottom flaps by means of rivets or other suitable fastening.

When the lever C is pressed down, (the cut-out portion *f* allowing it to pass below the plane of its axis,) the cam portion *k* bearing on the cover *b*, securely clamps the parts together. This lever being eccentric with the plate *d* is securely held in position when it reaches a point below the plane of its axis.

To the top of the cover I secure a strip of leather or other suitable material of about the width of the strip *b* and the length of the clamp to form a bearing-surface for the cam-lever to work upon, and thereby prevent the wearing out of the canvas covering.

The orders are placed in the holder between the central flaps.

When it is desired to remove the orders or other papers in the holder, the lever C is thrown up, thereby unclamping and releasing the covers and allowing the order to be easily withdrawn and others inserted.

I have shown in Fig. 5 a modified form of

clamp, which consists of two separate plates having their upper edges turned up to form bearing for a pin *l*, to which the clamping-lever C is rigidly secured.

5 Fig. 6 shows another slightly-modified construction, the only difference being in the construction of the plate *d*, which is made in one piece and cut out, as at *m*, so as to allow the lever C to be pressed down below the center
10 of its axis, and thereby securely clamp the cover together.

I am aware that order-holders have been constructed with a clasp adapted to be tightly slipped over the center of the back of the
15 cover and thereby clamp the same together; but in such construction it is necessary to either remove the clasp from the holder or use something to act as a fulcrum when the covers are folded back and spring open the
20 clasp.

In my device all that is necessary is to operate the lever C to clamp and unclasp the holder.

What I claim is—

25 1. In an order-holder, the combination, with the cover, of an eccentric clamping device secured to the back of said cover and adapted

to hold the same securely together, substantially as described.

2. The combination, with the cover, of an 30 eccentric clamping device consisting of the plate *d*, provided with a clamping-lever C, loosely secured therein and adapted when passed down to securely clamp the covers together, substantially as and for the purposes 35 specified.

3. The combination, with the cover A, of the plate *d*, provided with the cut-out portion *f*, the open slot *g*, having shoulders *g'*, and the lever C, provided with slots *i*, substantially as 40 and for the purposes specified.

4. The combination, with the cover, of the plate *d*, having cut-out portion *f* and slot *g*, and the lever C, having slots *i* and the cam-shaped portion *j*, the said lever C being adapted 45 to turn in the slot *g* and be securely clamped and held in a locked position when pressed down below the center of its axis, substantially as described.

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