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Fig. 1.

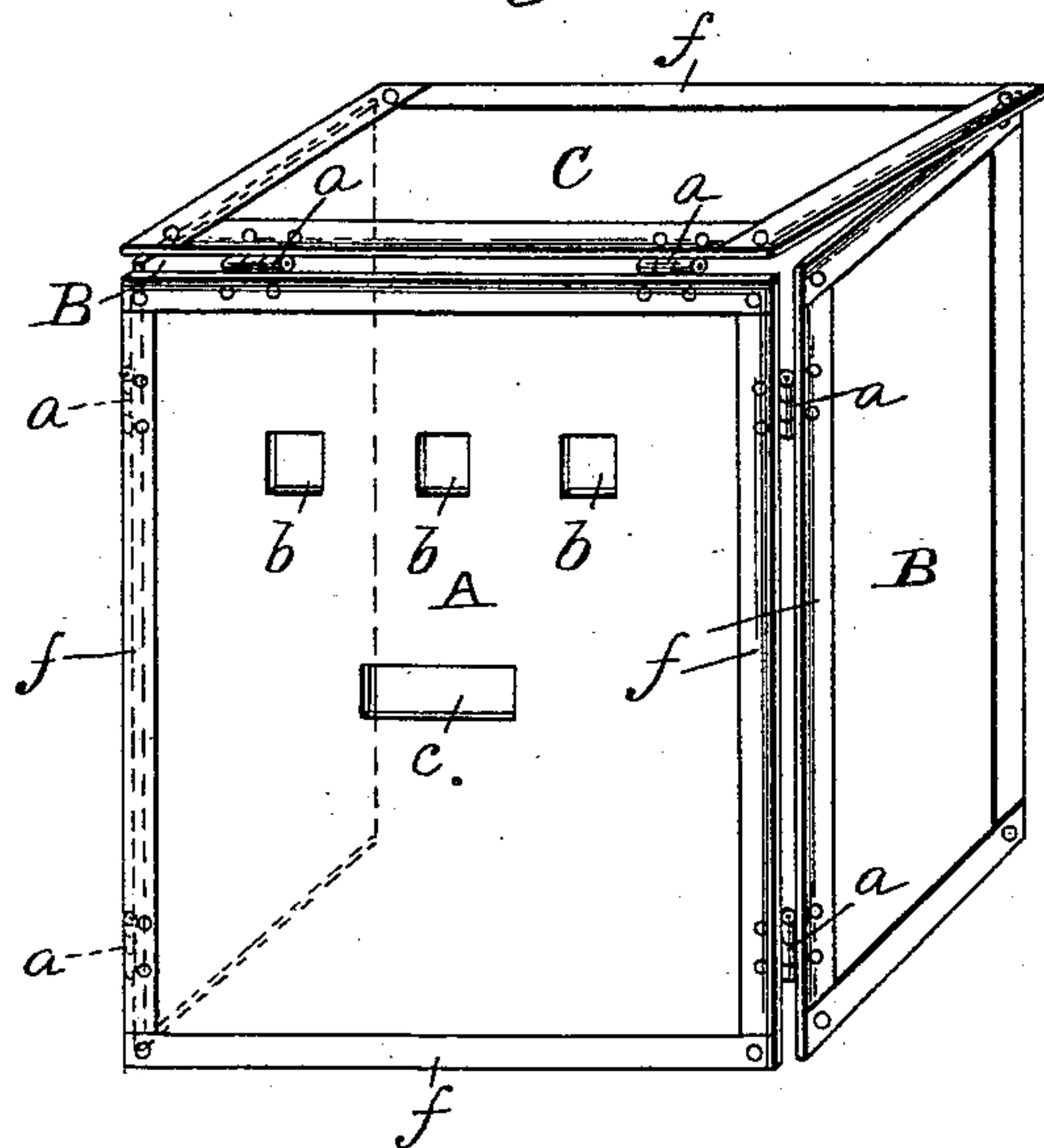
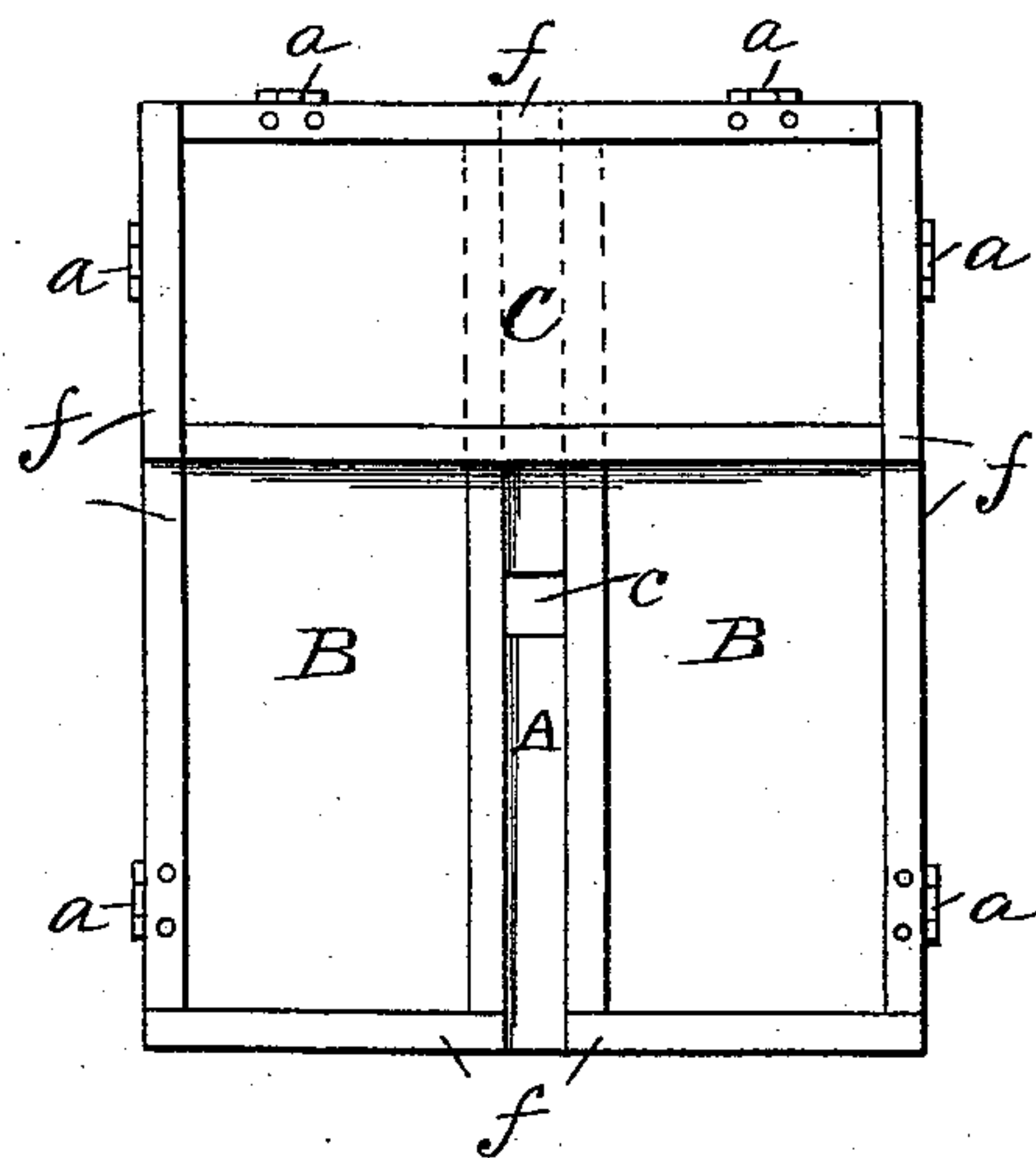


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE O. ADICKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Lake City, in the county of Columbia and State of Florida, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Firemen's Protectors; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to a device for protecting firemen from intense heat, while on duty at a fire.

It consists of four light, fire-proof plates or partitions, jointed or hinged together, which, when opened, form a box-like structure protecting, except at the back, the person or persons within. The front plate has eye-sights and an aperture for giving the hose-nozzle free play. When not in use it can be quickly closed and easily transported, as the device need not weigh over thirty pounds.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view looking at the outside of the device. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the device folded up.

Like letters refer to like parts.

A represents the larger or front plate, B the side plates, and C the top plate, which are united by hinges *a. a.* The front plate has, at the proper height, eye-sights, *b. b.*, and an aperture *c*, for the convenient play of the

hose-nozzle. These plates may be made of asbestos, or wood, paper, pulp or cloth chemically prepared so as to be fire-proof. Their edges are covered with strips of galvanized iron, *f. f.*, or suitable material, which gives strength and stability to the device, and a firm hold for the hinges.

The protector may, according to size of the plates used, be made of any desirable dimensions, but one about six and one-half feet high and four or five feet wide will usually suffice and not weigh over thirty pounds. When the plates are closed together, by pressing the top and side plates against the back of the front plate, they practically take up no more room than the front plate, and the device may be easily transported from place to place.

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

A portable fireman's protector, composed of fire-proof plates or partitions, hinged or jointed together, the larger, or front plate, having eye-sights and an aperture for the hose-nozzle, the top and side plates forming with the front plate, when opened out, a box-like structure, and when not in use folded against the back of the front plate, as set forth.

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