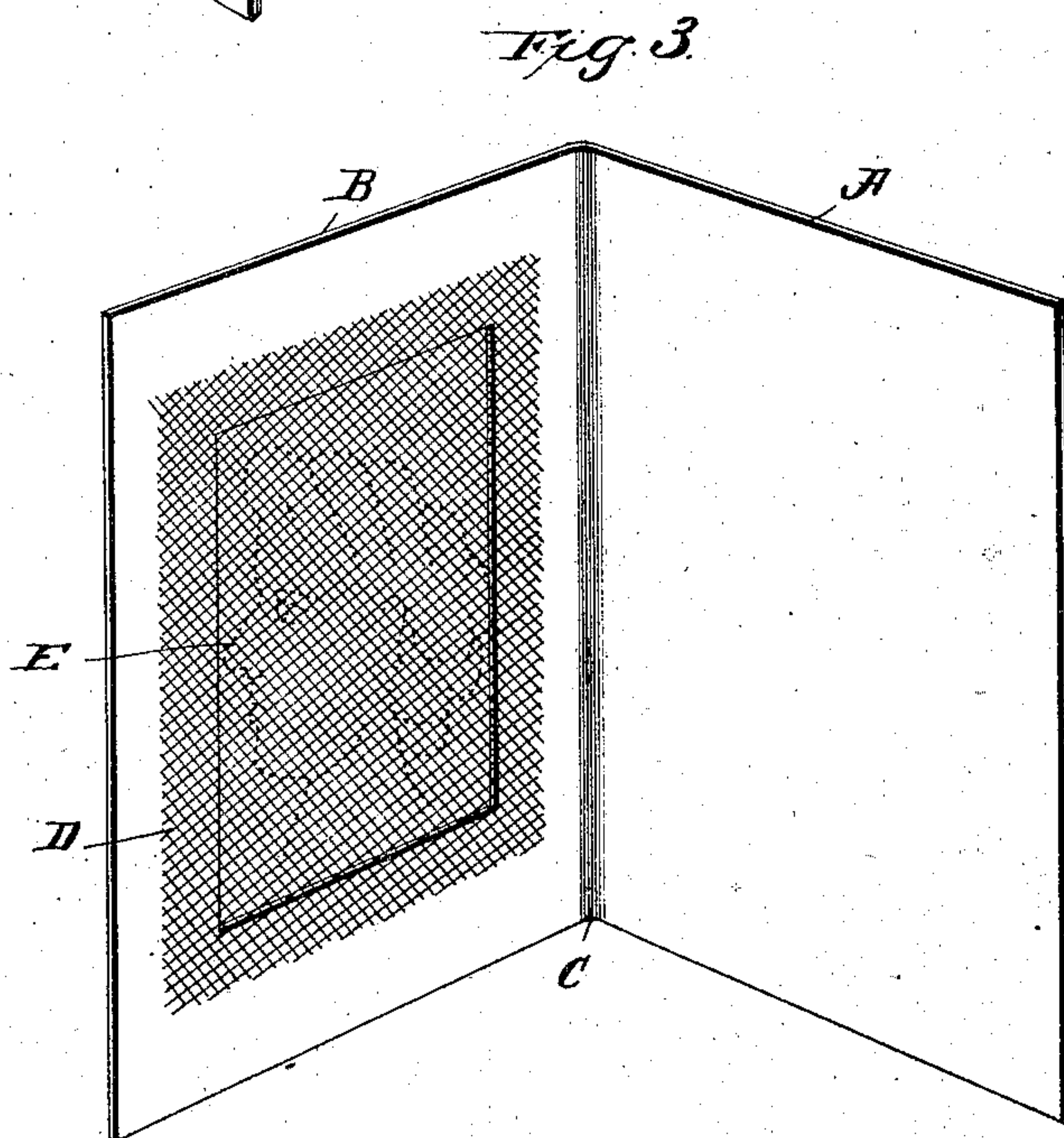
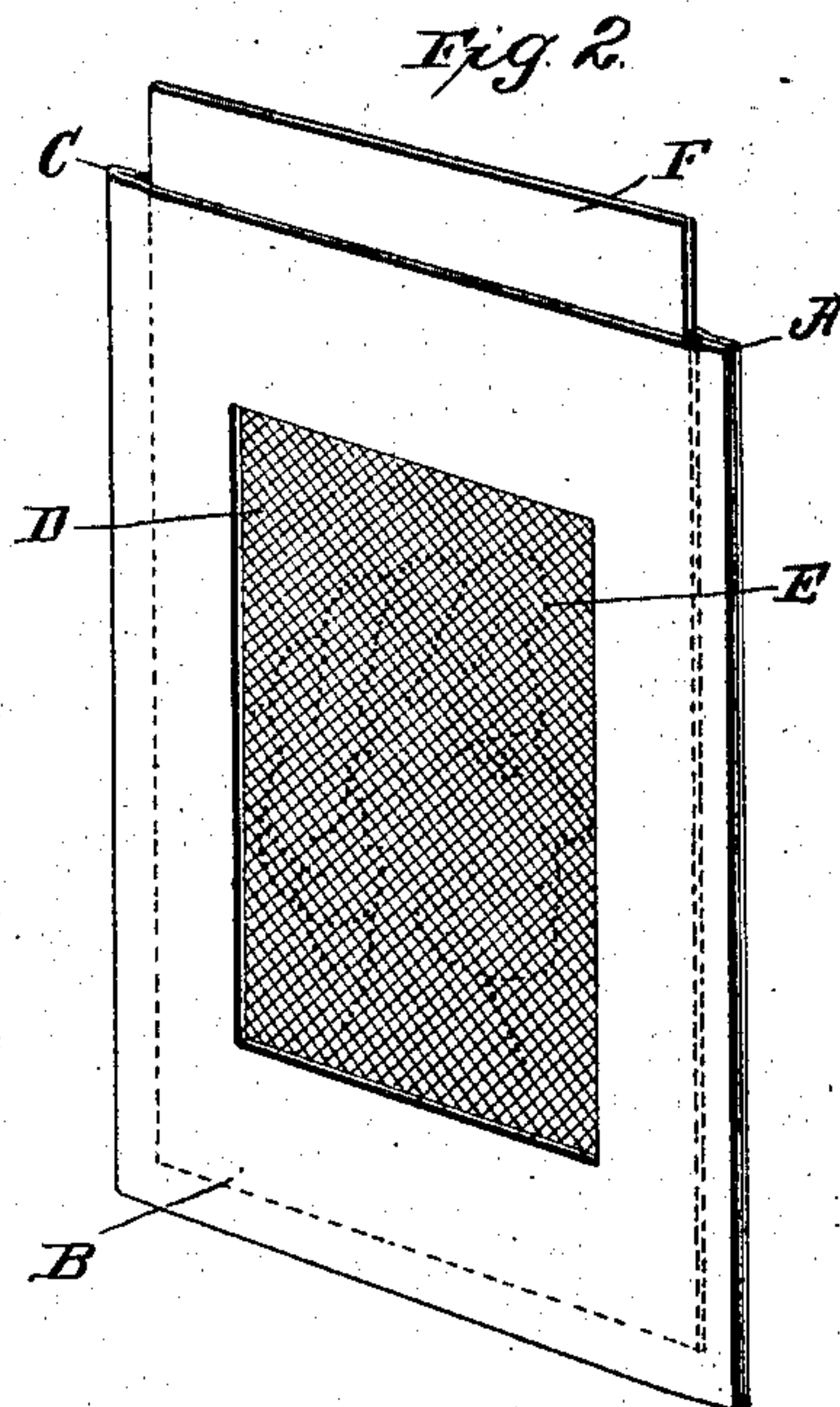
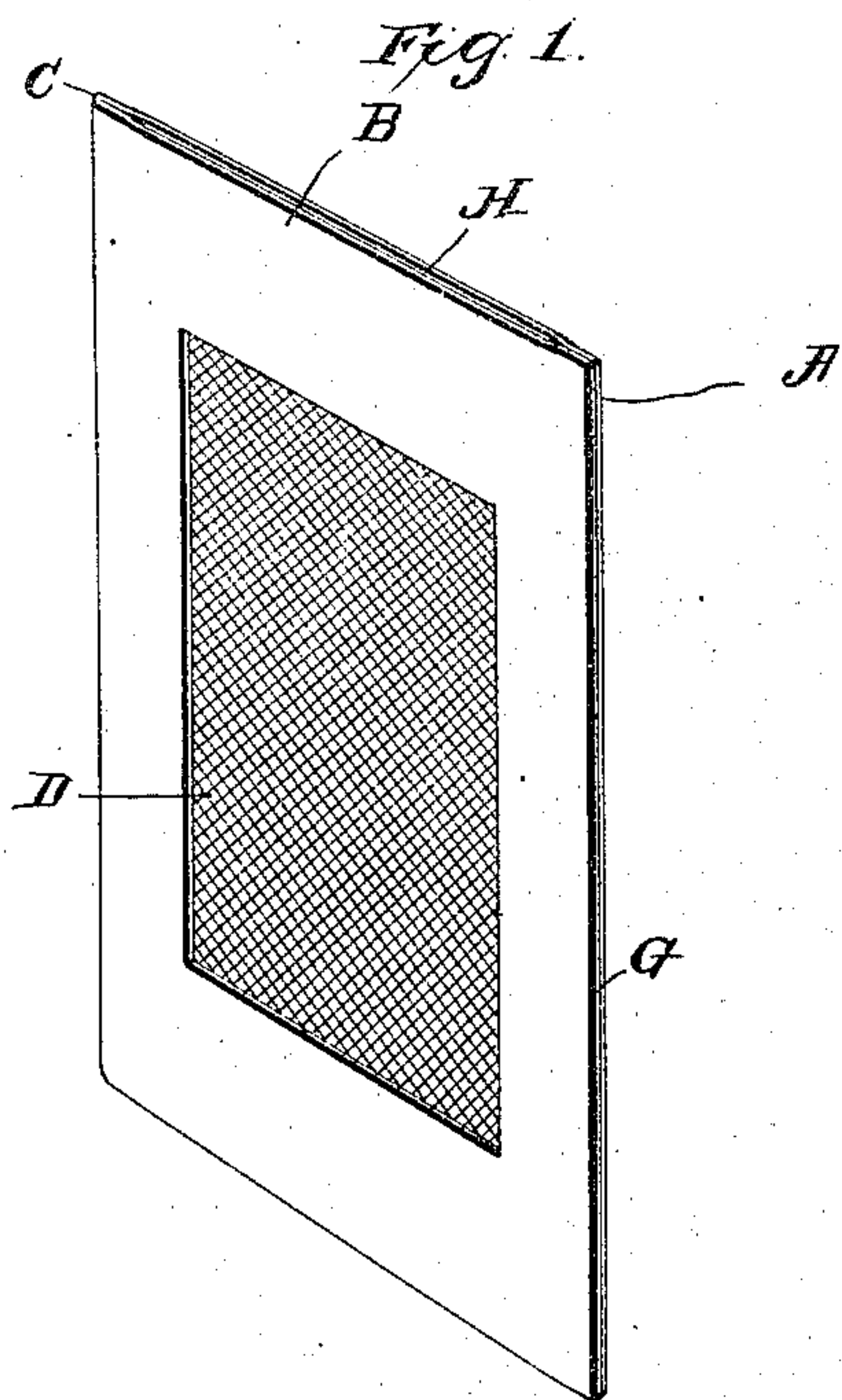


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MORRIS ROSENZWEIG, a subject of the Czar of Russia, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a certain Improvement in Puzzle-Cards and Picture-Exhibitors, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new and amusing puzzle for exhibition of a variety of pictures and by means of which a picture may be made to appear or disappear or other pictures shown through the material upon which this magic picture is placed.

With these ends in view this invention consists in the details of construction and combination of elements hereinafter set forth, and then specifically designated by the claims.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains may understand how to make and use the same, the construction and operation will now be described in detail, referring to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective of my improvement so arranged that the picture upon the netting does not appear; Fig. 2, a similar view showing the device so arranged as to cause this picture to appear, and Fig. 3 also a perspective looking in the interior of the device and showing the picture upon the netting.

In carrying out my invention I provide two covers A and B, which are here shown as composed of a single piece of material bent upon the line C, and the cover B has a portion cut therefrom, over which is secured, by gluing or otherwise, a netting D. This netting has inscribed upon its inner surface a picture, as indicated at E, and when a white surface is placed between the covers, as hereinafter set forth, the picture inscribed upon the netting will be caused to appear by reason of the white background, as clearly shown in Fig. 2; but when this white surface is removed, the inner surface of the cover A being black or of some dark color, the changed background will obscure this picture and the netting will present a clean white surface.

The covers A and B are secured together at their outer vertical edges, as indicated at G, by gluing or otherwise, and also at their

lower edges, thus producing an envelop into which a card may be inserted through the opening H at the top thereof, and in order that the above-described results may be more effectually had I provide a card F, which is so folded as to form two sections, and this is utilized for the bringing out of the picture E, while upon one surface of this card may be inscribed an entangled scroll or other arbitrary lines, which when turned toward the netting may either obliterate the picture upon said netting or else present a confusing appearance or exhibit printing placed thereon.

While I prefer that the inner surfaces of the card F may be white, it follows that either one thereof may have printed thereon a picture in relief upon a dark background or any other suitable arrangement, so that when this picture is placed next to the netting the dark background will obscure the picture E, while the picture upon the card will appear through the netting, thus mystifying the observer.

Another use to which my improvement may be put is a photograph-exhibitor, in which case when the photograph is placed behind the netting between the two covers only the photograph will appear through the netting, the latter but slightly interfering with the proper observation of the said photograph; but upon the removal of this photograph the picture which is inscribed upon the netting will immediately appear by turning the photograph around and reinserting it within the covers, so as to break up the picture upon the netting by a white surface, and the picture upon the netting may be a representation which, coming into immediate view simply by the reversal of the photograph, will cause much amusement and comment—as, for instance, a skeleton may be inscribed upon the netting, and when the photograph is in place the skeleton will be hid from view, but upon the removal and reversal of the photograph the skeleton will immediately appear. Likewise a number of realistic effects may be had.

I do not wish to be limited to the use of any particular form of card F, as this may be varied indefinitely without departing from the spirit of my invention.

The cost of manufacture of my improvement is exceedingly small, since the covers may be formed from strips of cardboard, while

the card may likewise be made from a similar material or from ordinary paper.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is—

- 5 1. In a device of the character described, a cover, a netting secured across an opening in a section of said cover and having a picture inscribed thereon, a portion of said cover forming a background for said picture to
10 make the same imperceptible, and a card of different color from the picture adapted to be passed between the netting and that portion of the netting forming the background, substantially as described.
- 15 2. The herein-described combination of the cover, consisting of the sections A and B, the

latter having an opening therethrough, and the former having a colored inner surface, a netting secured over the opening in the section B, and having a picture inscribed thereon of like color to the inner surface of the section A, and a card of different color from the picture adapted to be placed between the sections, as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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