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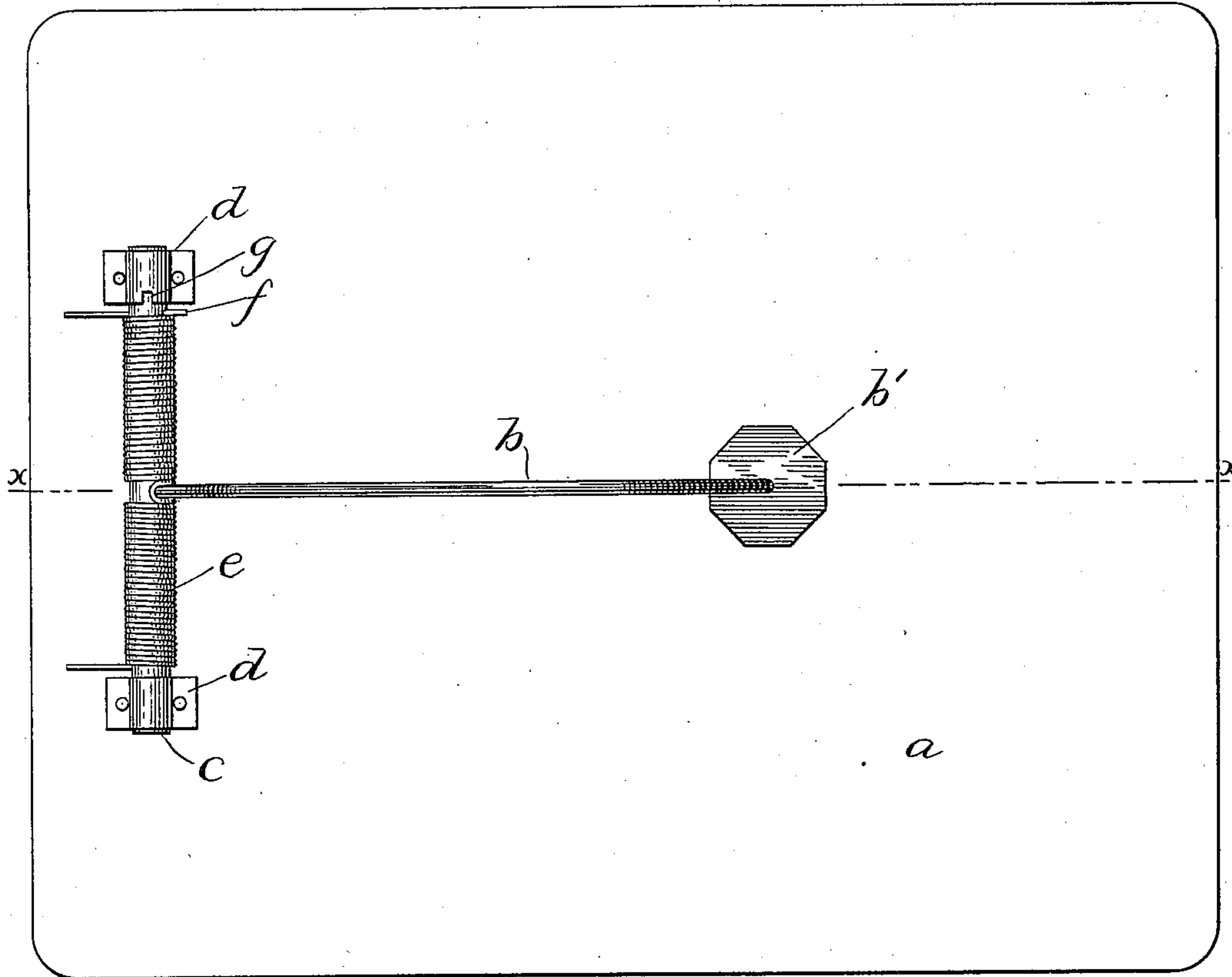


Fig. 1.

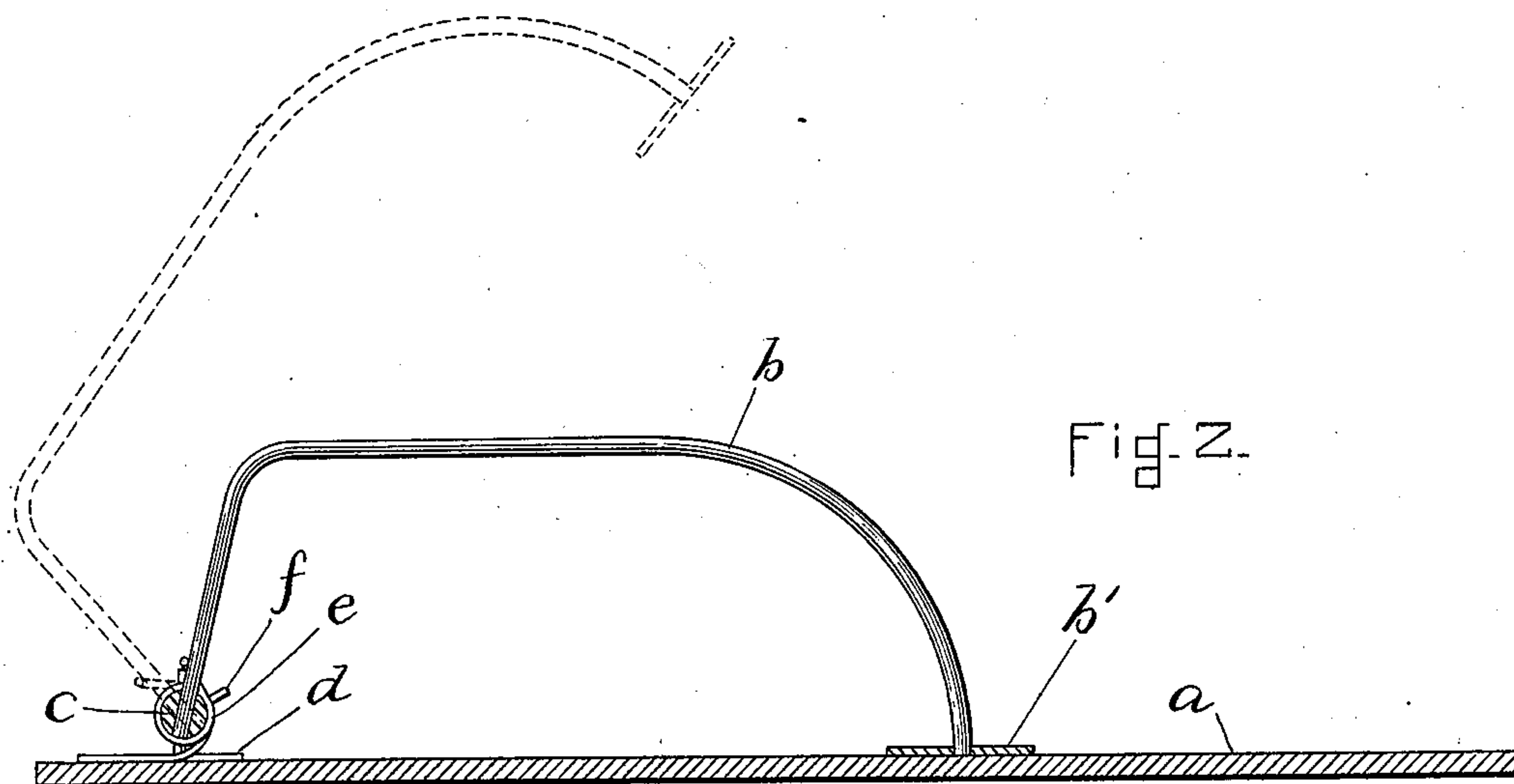


Fig. 2.

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## PAPER-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE HENRY KENT, of Cambridge, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is a paper-holder for holding in place loose papers, manuscripts, and similar articles and thus preventing their loss or displacement by drafts of air and other causes; and it consists of a curved arm, which may be made of metal or other suitable material, attached at one end to a horizontally-placed rod, on which is a suitable spring, by means of which the free end of the arm is made to bear upon the articles to be held in place and which lie upon a suitable base or tablet, to one end of which the said rod is attached. On the free end of the arm may be placed a small plate for bearing upon the articles to be held in place.

In the drawings I have shown in Figure 1 a plan view of my invention, and in Fig. 2 a sectional view on the line X X, Fig. 1.

*a* is the base or tablet, on which are to be placed the articles to be held in place.

*b* is a curved arm, on the free end of which may be placed the plate *b'* and having the other end attached to the rod *c*, resting in sockets *d d'*, and having wound around it the helical spring *e*. The center of the spring *e* is curved upward to form a loop which rests

against the arm *b*. At one end of the arm is arranged a catch *f*, which is designed to fit into the indentation *g* in the socket *d'*. 35

The operation of my invention is as follows: The free end of the arm *b* will ordinarily rest upon the base or tablet *a*, being held down by the spring *e*. When it is desired to place any article on the base, the arm is lifted up, the article is placed on the tablet, and the arm restored to its original position. The article thus placed will be securely held. By means of the catch *f* the free end of the arm may be held suspended, thus allowing the papers or other articles on the base *a* to be removed or assorted, as may be desired. 40 45

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

In a paper-holder, the combination of the base *a*; the curved arm *b*, attached at one end to the rod *c*, the ends of which rest in sockets *d, d'*; the spring *e*, the center of which is curved upward to form a loop which bears against the arm *b*, so as to cause the free end of said arm to rest upon the base; and the catch *f*, fitting into the indentation *g* in the socket *d'*; substantially as, and for the purpose, above described. 50 55

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