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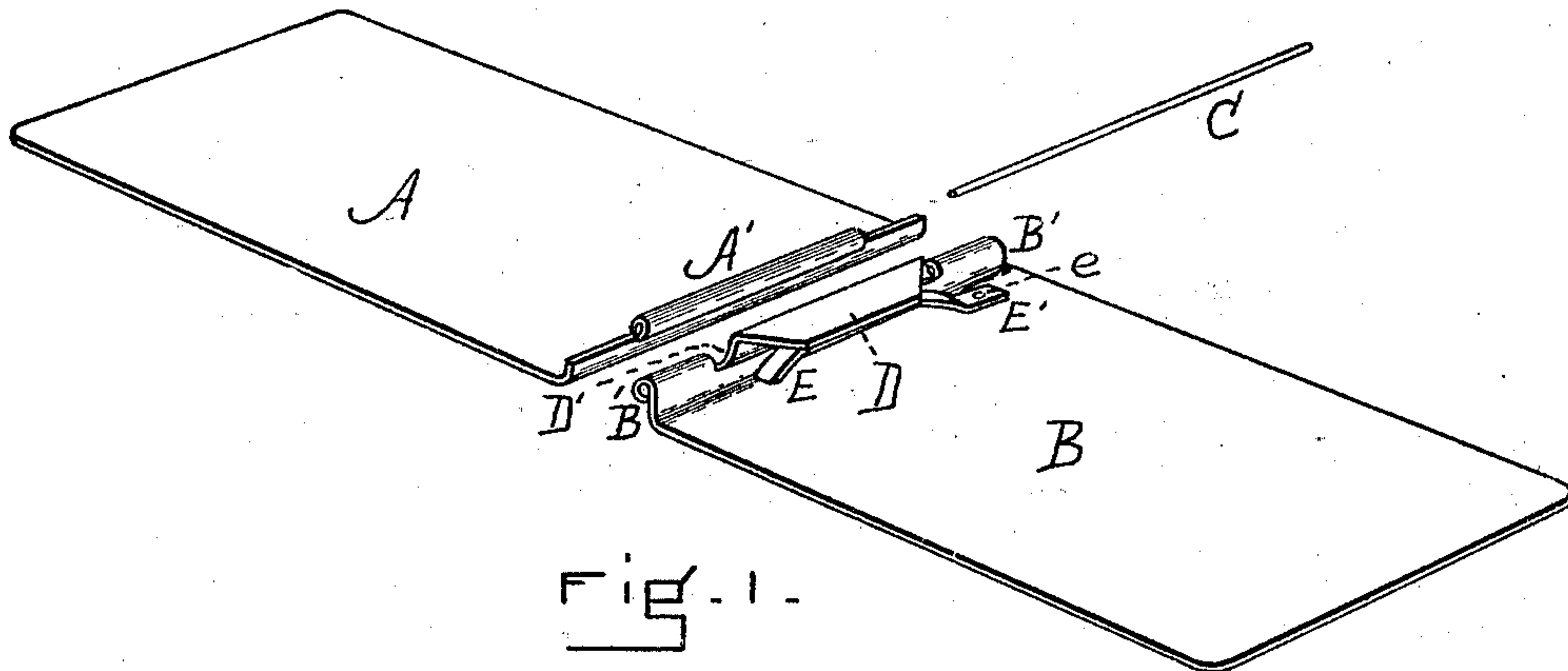


Fig. 1.

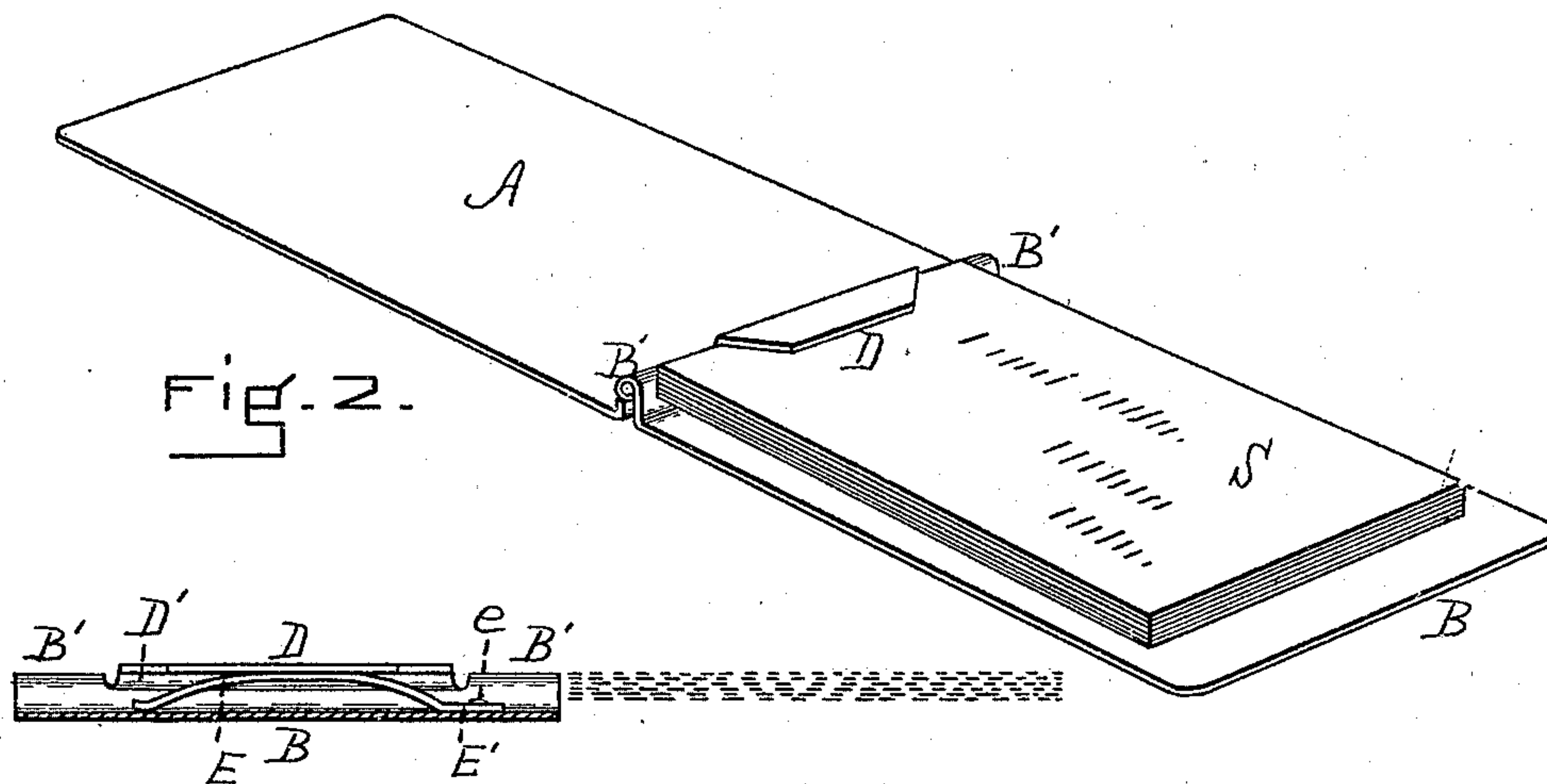


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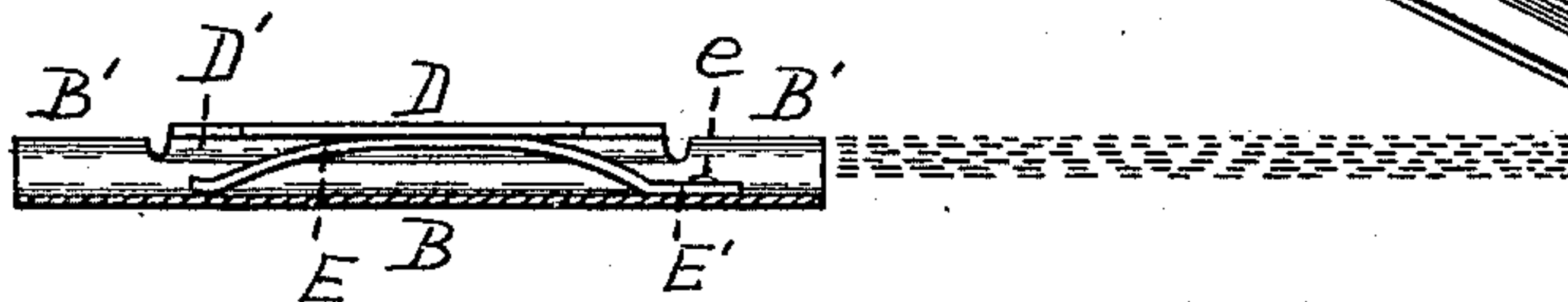


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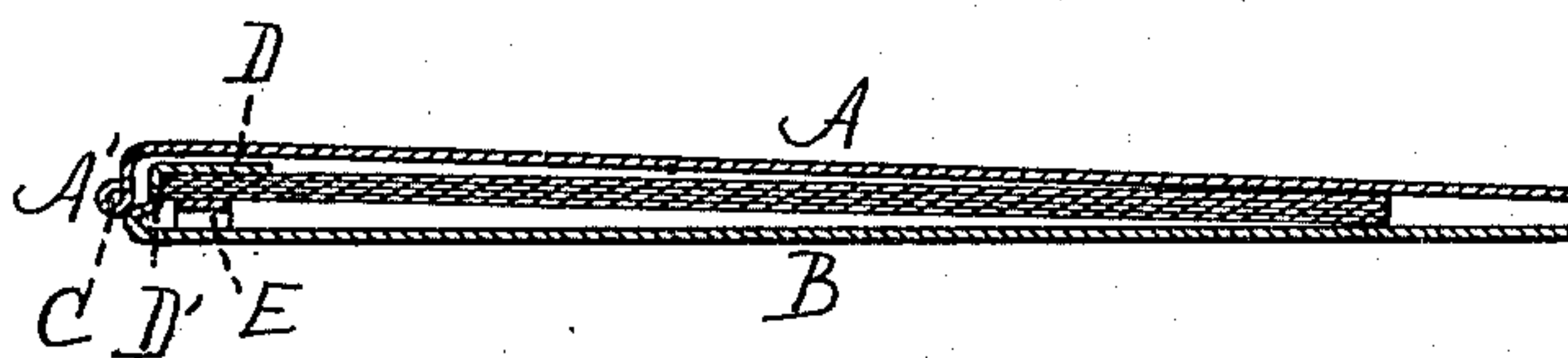


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM F. MOORE, residing at Everett, in the county of Middlesex, and EDWIN A. FARGO, residing in Attleborough, in the county of Bristol, State of Massachusetts, citizens of the United States, have invented new and useful Improvements in Card-Holders; of which the following is a specification.

16 This invention relates to that class of card-holders which consist of a cover, somewhat like a book-cover, whose two parts or leaves are hinged together and means secured to and within said cover for detachably holding a
15 number of cards, such as visiting or business cards.

The nature of the invention is fully described in detail below and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

20 Figure 1 is a perspective view of our improved card-holder with the pintle of the hinge removed and the two parts of the cover separated. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the card-holder lying open with a number of cards in position therein. Fig. 3 is a cross-section
25 taken through the leaf to which the cards are to be secured. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal section showing the card-holder closed and cards in position therein.

30 Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A and B represent the two leaves, preferably made of metal—as aluminium, for example—which constitute the covers. The leaf
35 A is formed up with the central fold A' and the leaf B with the two outer folds B', such folds in connection with the pintle C constituting the hinge which connects the leaves. The inner edge of the leaf B between the folds B'
40 is extended into and formed up into a rigid shelf D, said shelf being parallel with and extending over the surface of the leaf B and being supported by the integral connection D'.

45 E represents a spring made something after the form of a shallow C-spring. This spring has a flat end E', which is located between one end of the shelf D and the side edge of the leaf B and is secured to said leaf by a

suitable rivet *e*. The spring extends under the shelf D parallel with its edge—that is, it
50 is transverse with the surface of the leaf and bears against the under side of said shelf, as shown.

In practical operation the cards S are held between the spring and the shelf D in the
55 manner shown in the drawings and can be removed singly by drawing them out longitudinally with the leaf B. The cards are inserted, however, transversely with the leaf
60 and pressed between the spring and the shelf longitudinally with the spring, being presented at either end of the shelf, as the free end of the spring bears against the leaf as
65 well as the closed end thereof. By this means, therefore, a number of cards can be quickly inserted and removed singly without affecting the position of the remaining cards.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The herein-described improved card-holder, comprising the leaves A, B hinged together as described; the shelf D integral with the hinged end of the leaf B and extending
75 substantially horizontally over said leaf; and a spring extending up from the leaf B and bearing normally against the under surface of said shelf, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The herein-described improved card-holder, comprising the leaves A, B hinged together substantially as set forth; the shelf D
80 extending horizontally over the leaf B and connected with said leaf at its hinged end by the integral support D'; and the spring E secured at one end to the leaf and extending
85 under said shelf substantially parallel therewith and bearing normally against the under side thereof, the free end of said spring being in contact with said leaf B, substantially
90 as and for the purpose described.

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