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FIG. 1.

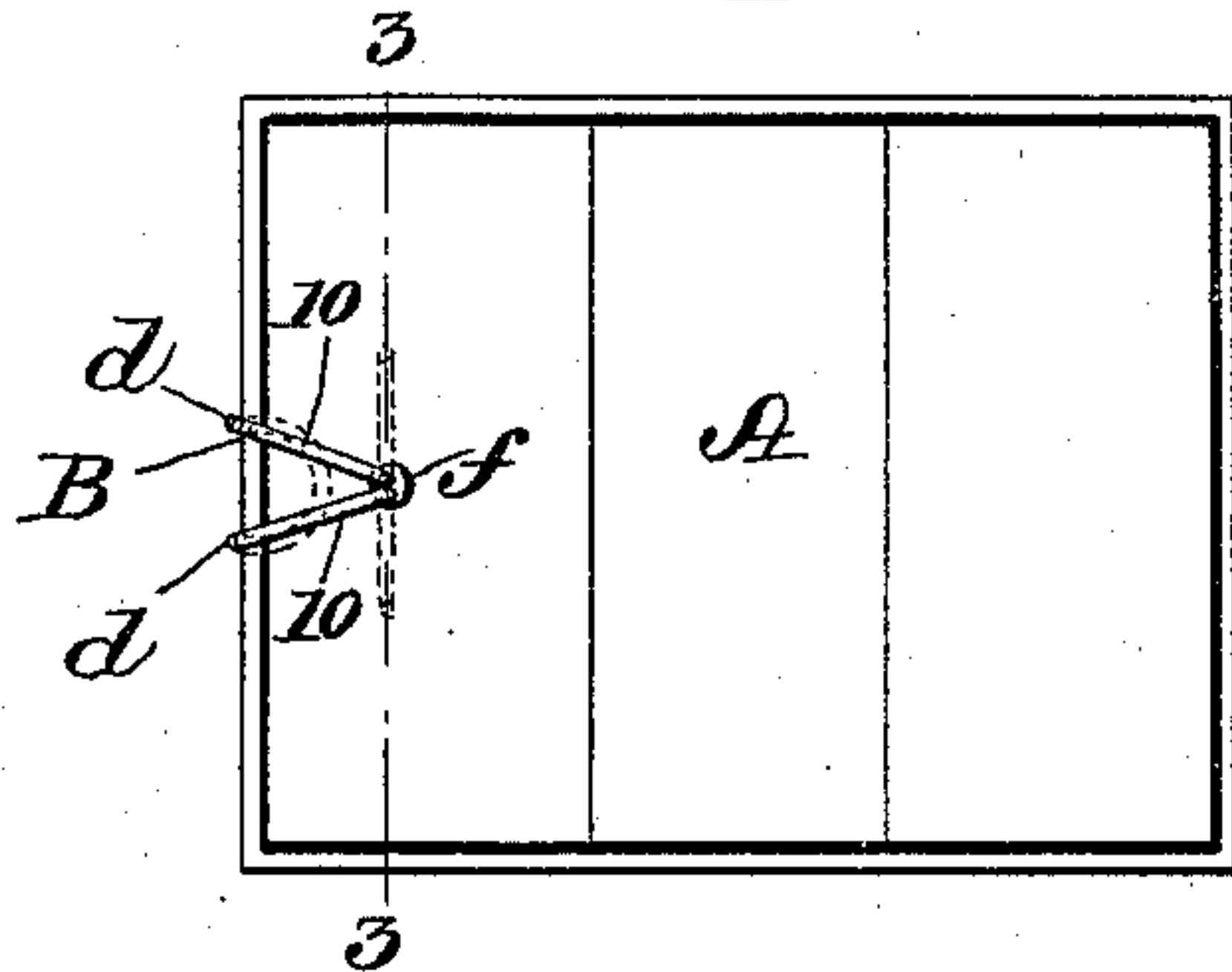


FIG. 2.

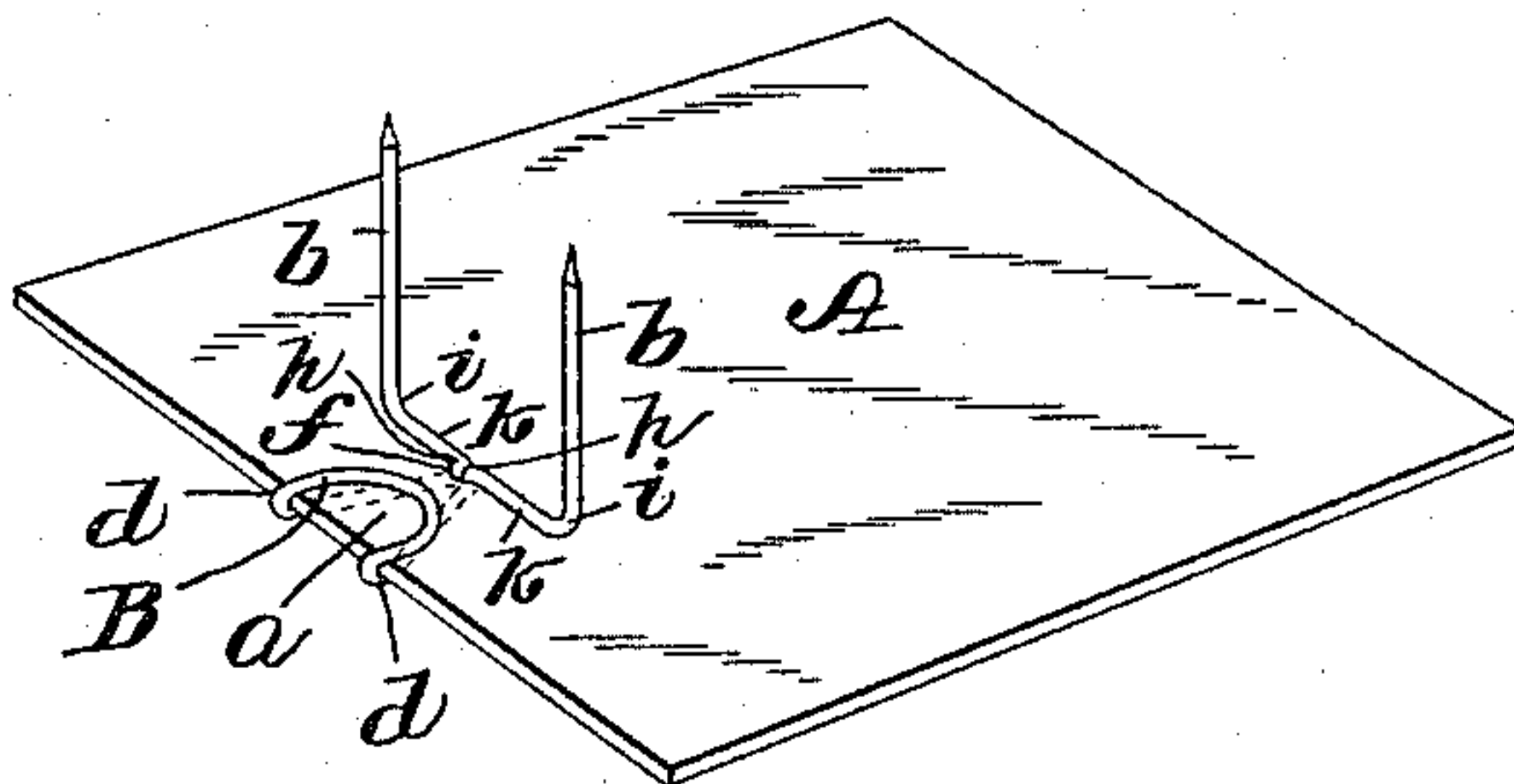


FIG. 3.

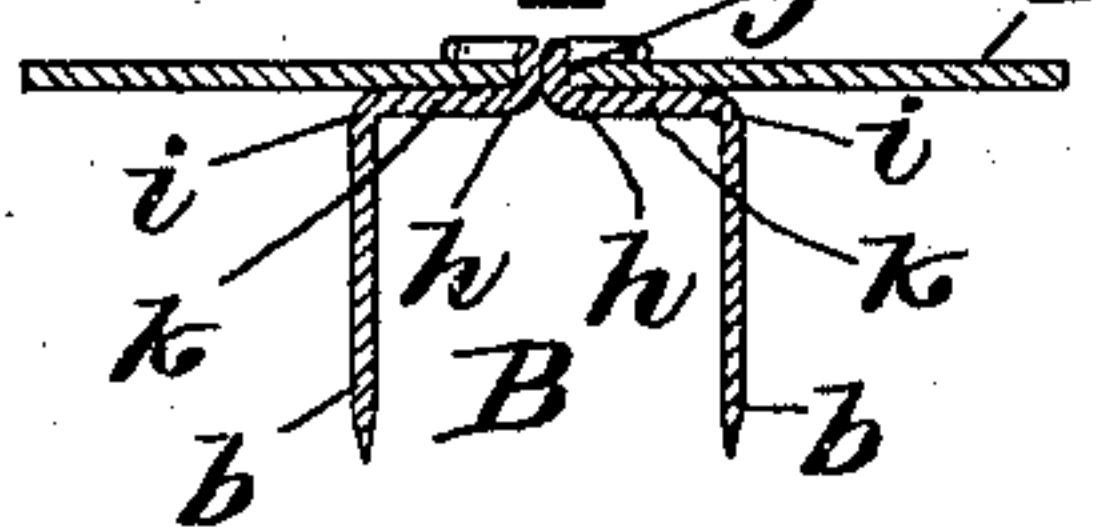


FIG. 4.

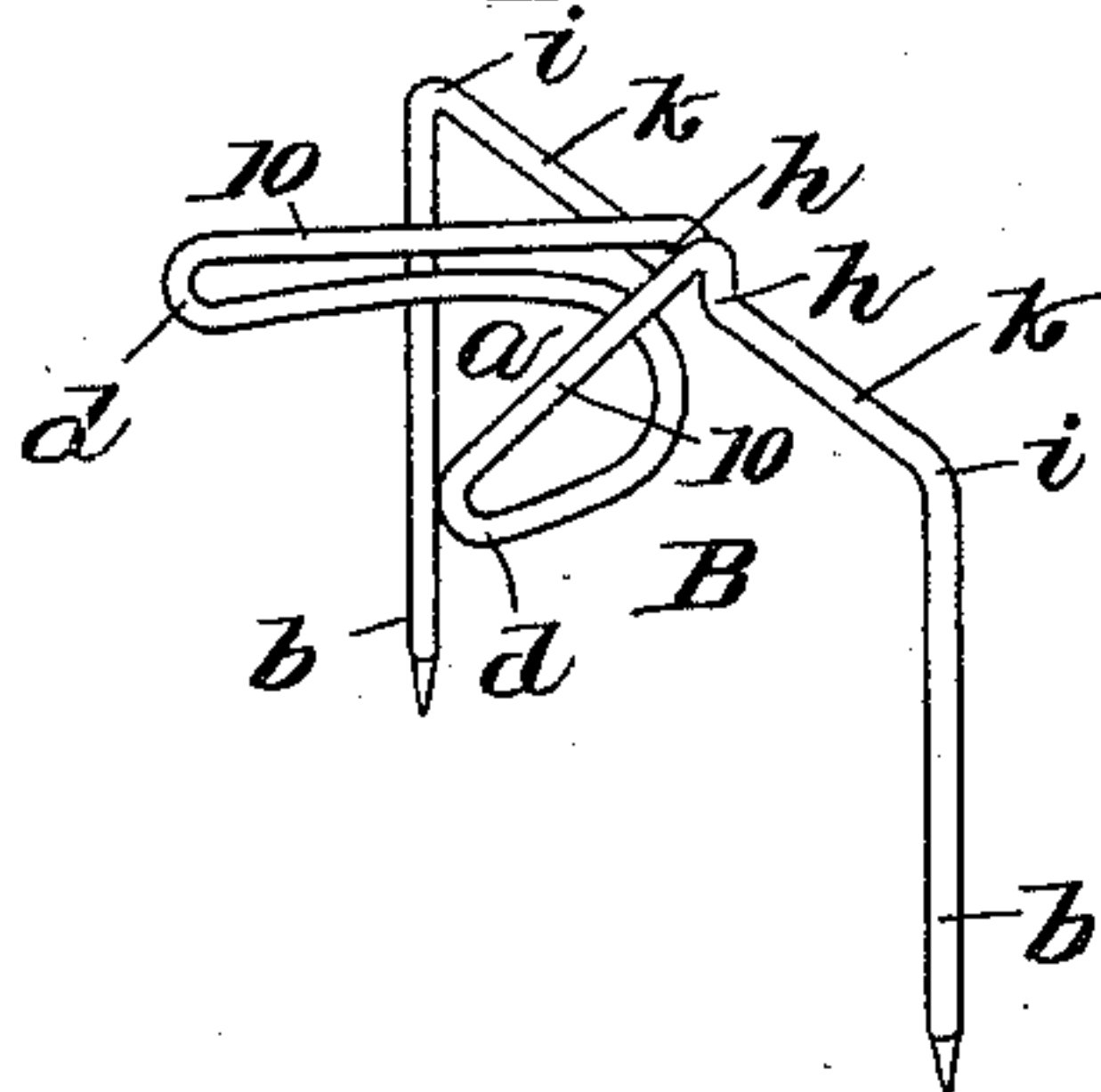


FIG. 5.

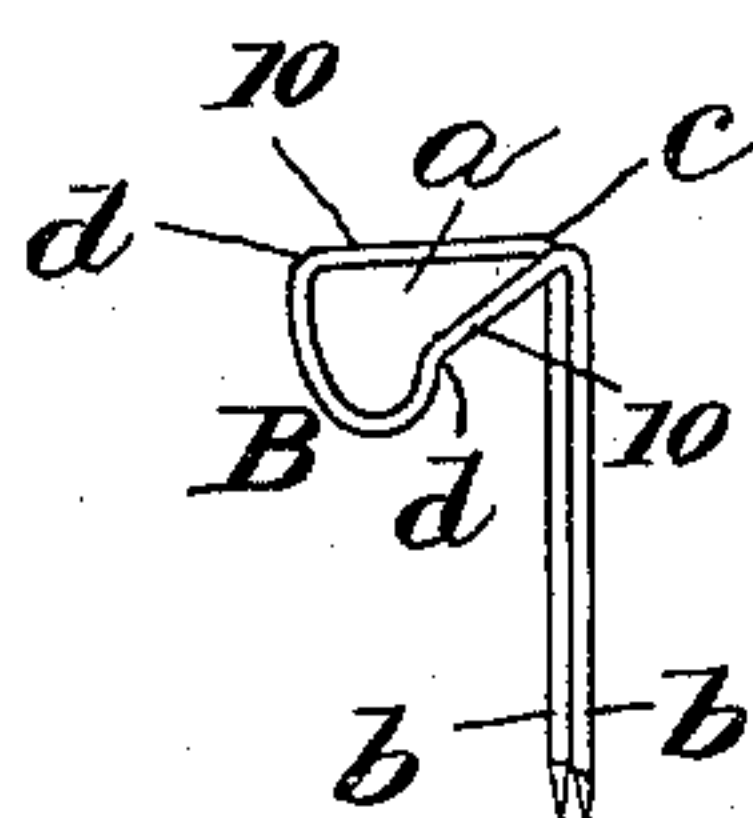
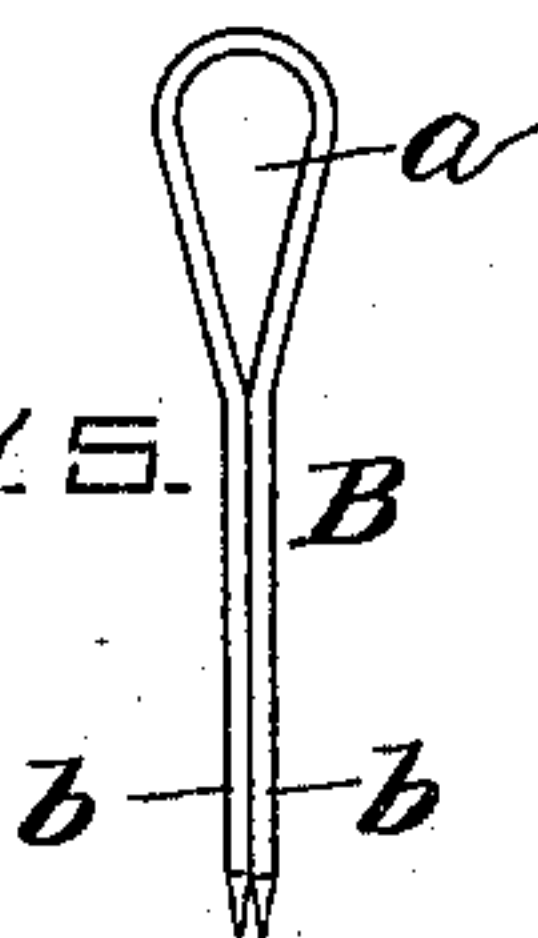
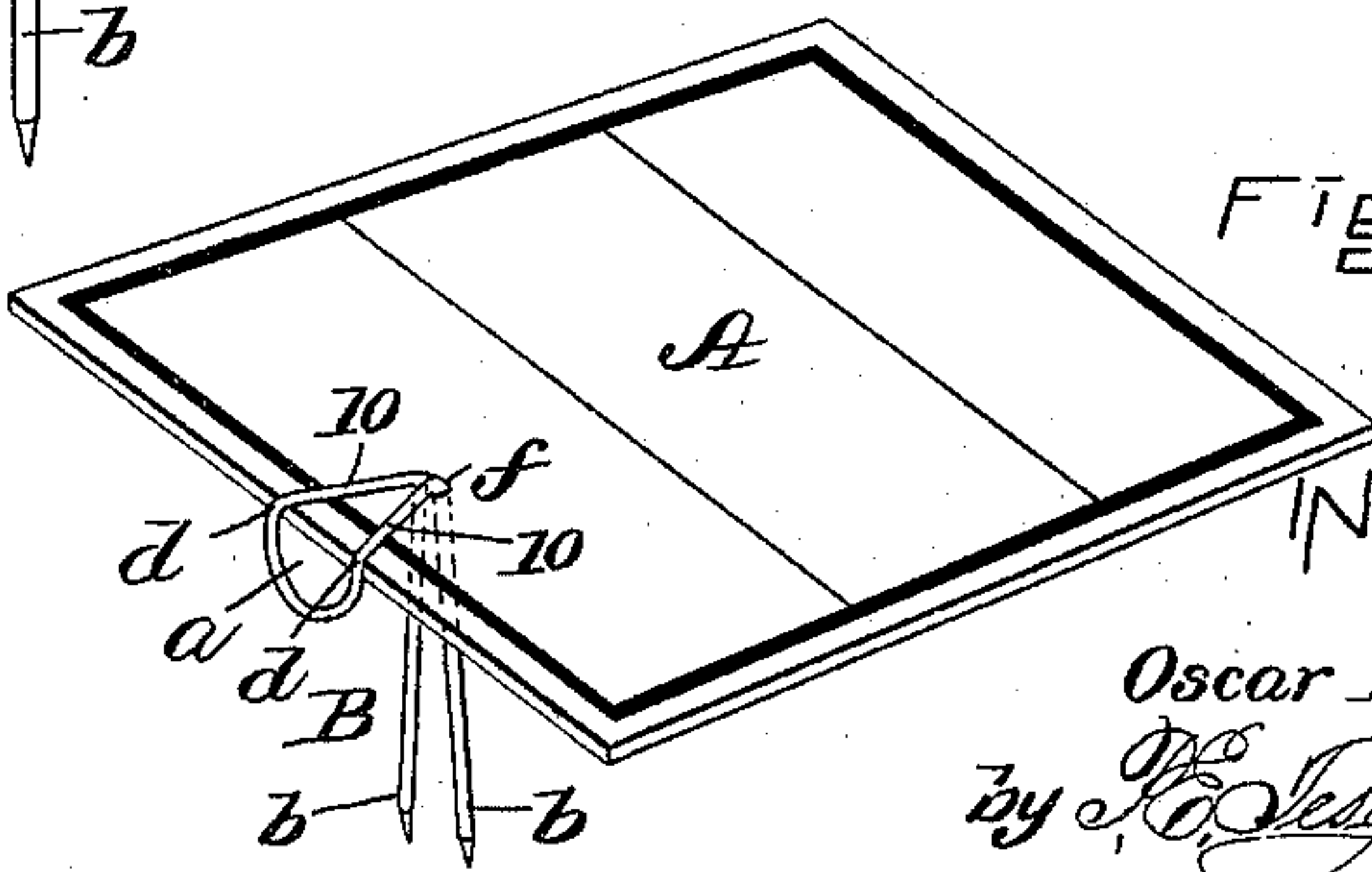


FIG. 7.



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## PIN TICKET OR TAG.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, OSCAR MUSSINAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have  
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pin Tickets or Tags, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to pin tickets or tags used for applying distinguishing marks, numbers, or prices to merchandise—such as garments, fabrics, and the like—and has for its object to afford a firm support for securely holding the ticket or tag, and also to enable  
10 the wire fastening prongs or shanks to better resist the force exerted in thrusting them through the fabric or material on which the tag is to be employed.

To this end my invention consists in a ticket or tag provided with a staple-shaped  
26 wire fastening-pin having both of its prongs or arms passed through a single hole in the ticket near the edge of the same, while the two branches of its doubled portion or loop diverge from said hole and pass across the  
25 front face and around the edge of the ticket to the under side thereof, upon which said loop is clenched, the prongs being offset upon the said under face of the ticket and bent to project at right angles therefrom, as herein-  
30 after more fully described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is an enlarged plan view of a pin ticket or tag embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the reverse or under side of the  
35 same complete and ready for use. Fig. 3 is a transverse vertical section of the same on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is an enlarged perspective view of the fastening-staple detached from the ticket or tag. Figs. 5 and 6  
40 are views of the fastening staple or wire, showing two successive shapes into which it is bent before being applied to the ticket or tag. Fig. 7 is a view of the ticket, showing the same with the fastening-staple, bent as in Fig. 6,  
45 applied thereto and before having its doubled end bent over and clenched upon the under face of the ticket.

In the drawings, A represents the ticket or tag, which may be composed of cardboard,  
50 thick paper, or other suitable material and of any desired shape and size to receive the distinguishing marks, numbers, or characters

which it may be desired to apply to the goods, articles, or material on which the tag is to be employed.

B is the fastening pin or staple, which is composed of a single piece of wire having pointed ends and bent double to form an eye or loop *a*, as shown in Fig. 5, the two pointed prongs or arms *b b* lying close together, as  
60 shown. The eye or loop *a* is then bent at right angles at the point *c*, where it joins the prongs *b b*, and again at right angles at *d d*, as shown in Fig. 6, before being applied to the tag.

In attaching the fastening-staple B to the ticket or tag the pointed prongs or shanks *b b* are first passed or thrust through a single central hole or opening *f* in the ticket from the front side thereof. This hole *f* may be made  
70 by any suitable punch or instrument, but is preferably produced by the introduction of the fastener itself. After the fastener has been thus inserted in the ticket the two prongs *b b*, which project from its under side, are  
75 preferably slightly spread apart, as shown in Fig. 7. In this position the two portions or branches 10 10 of the eye or loop *a* diverge from the hole *f* to the edge of the ticket, over which the outer portion of the loop extends,  
80 as shown in Fig. 7. This outer portion is then bent inwardly at *d d* and clenched down upon the under face of the ticket, as shown in Fig. 2, firmly embracing its edge, which is thus  
85 securely clamped and supported between the upper and lower portions of the loop. The diverging prongs or arms *b b* (shown in Fig. 7) are then oppositely bent at right angles at  
90 *h h* and again at *i i*, forming the offsets *k k*, which lie flat upon the under face of the ticket, the pointed prongs being thus spaced apart and extending out parallel to each other and at right angles to the plane of the ticket, ready to engage the fabric or material to which the ticket or tag is to be affixed.

The fastening staple or wire bent and applied as above described has the advantage of requiring but a single hole in the ticket, which is not thereby weakened to the extent  
95 which occurs where two or more openings are required, while a very small portion of the upper surface of the ticket is occupied by the diverging portions of the wire, giving it a neat and finished appearance and leaving the  
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maximum of space for the printing of names and for marks, &c. Furthermore, by bending the wire to form the offsets *k k*, which lie flat against the under side of the ticket, the 5 pointed attaching-prongs are enabled to better resist the strains or forces which are exerted in engaging them with the cloth or material to which the ticket is to be affixed, as the pressure is received and resisted by the 10 unbroken surface of the tag along the entire lengths of the offsets *k k* and not in line with holes through which the prongs pass, as is frequently the case.

What I claim as my invention, and desire 15 to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination with a card or ticket, of a staple-shaped fastening-pin having a doubled portion or loop embracing the edge of the ticket, and two pointed prongs or attaching-arms which pass through a single hole 20 in the card or ticket near the edge of the same, and are each bent into two right angles to form offsets extending in opposite directions

from said single hole and lying against the under face of the ticket, from the plane of 25 which said prongs project at right angles, substantially as described.

2. A pin ticket or tag provided with a staple-shaped fastening-pin having its doubled portion or loop extending across the front face 30 of the ticket, around its edge and clenched down upon its under face, the two pointed prongs or attaching-arms being passed through a single hole in the ticket near the edge of the same, and each being bent into 35 two right angles to form offsets extending in opposite directions from said single hole and lying against the face of the ticket, from the plane of which said prongs project at right angles, substantially as described. 40

Witness my hand this 4th day of August, A. D. 1899.

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