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FIG. 4.

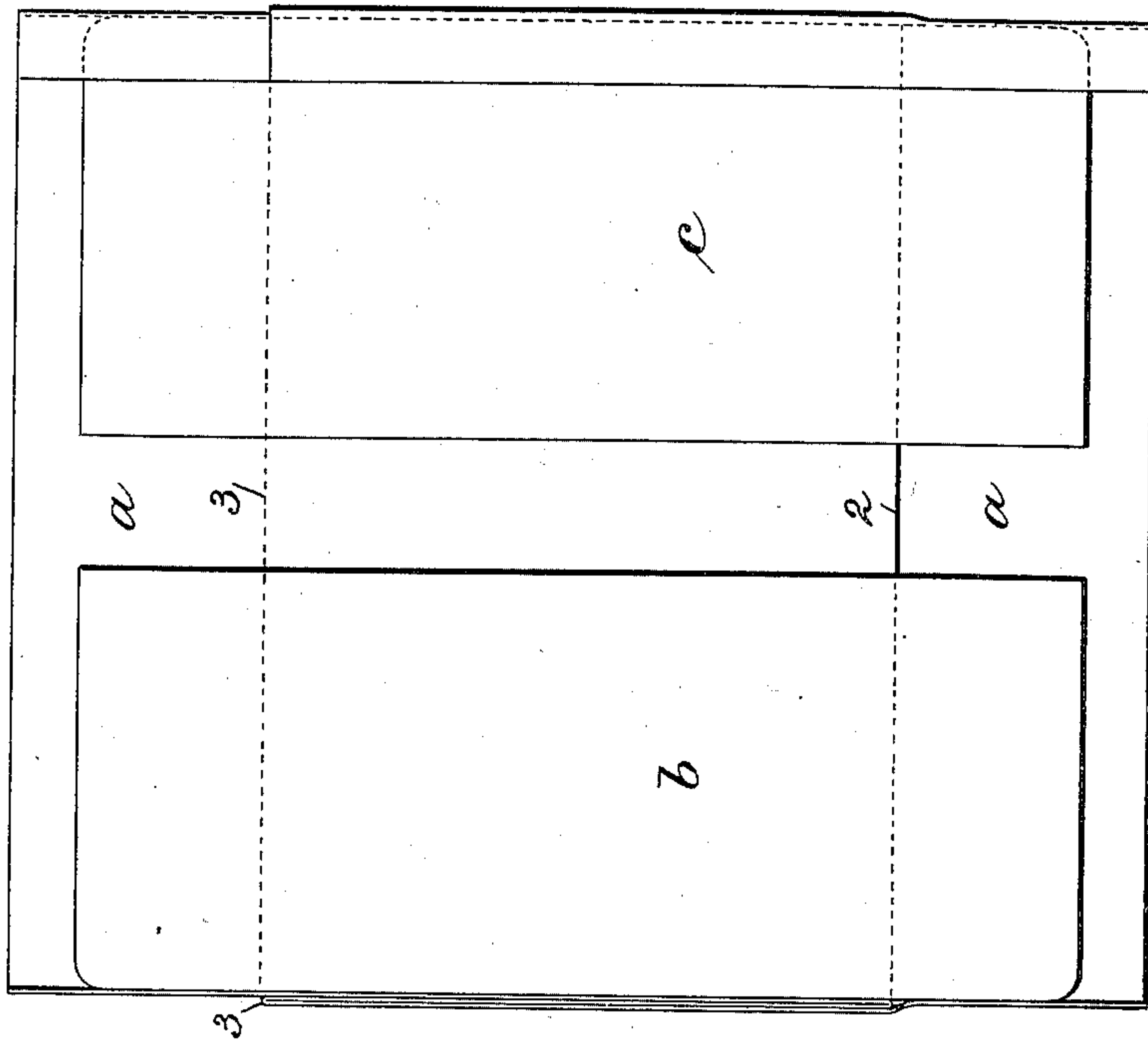


FIG. 1.

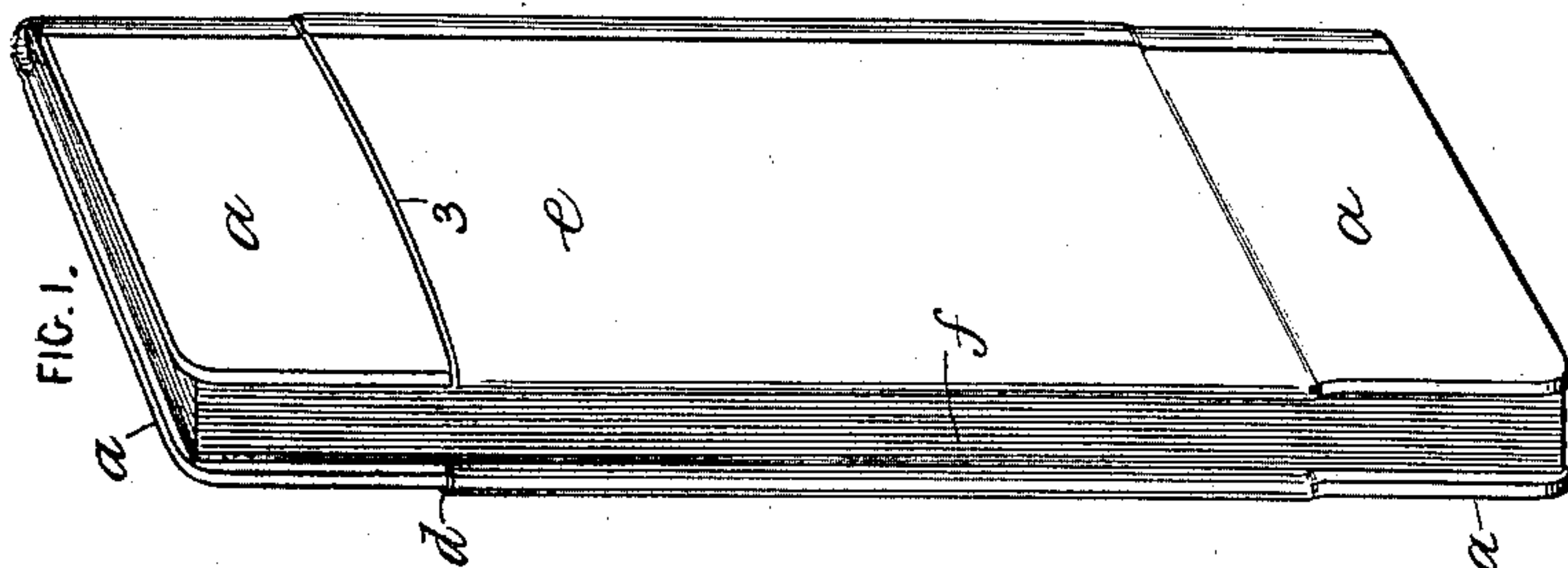


FIG. 2.

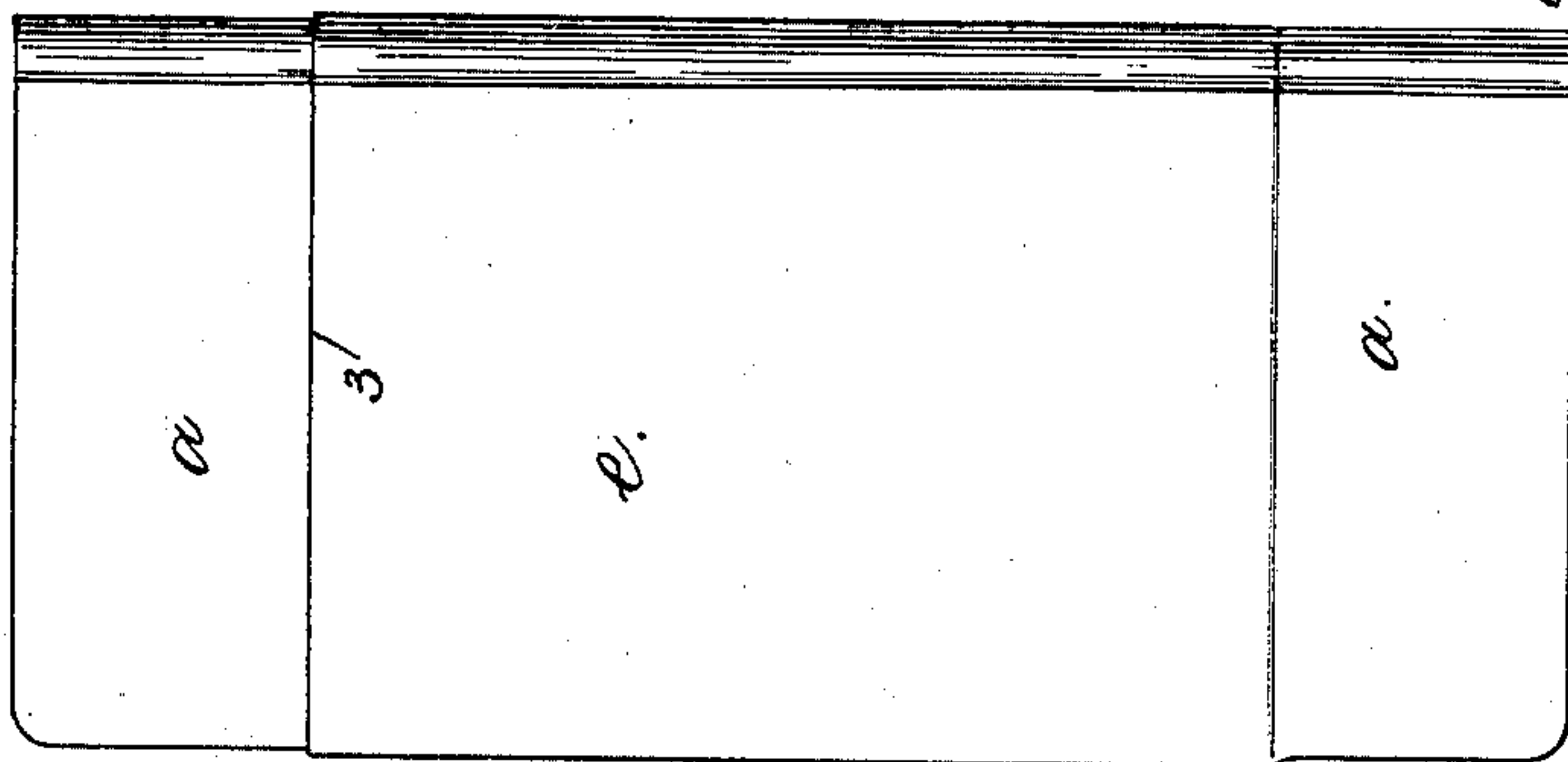


FIG. 5.

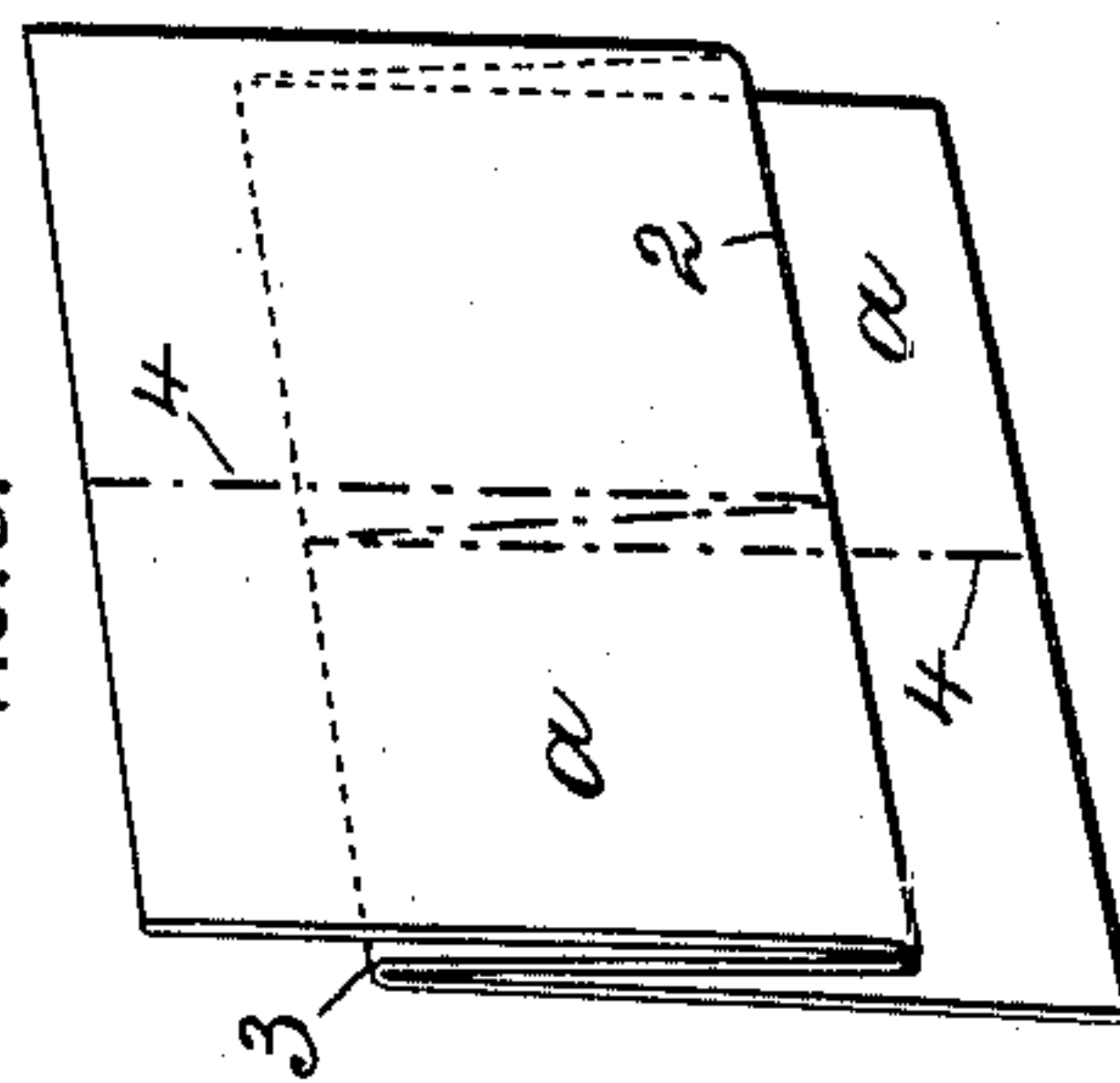
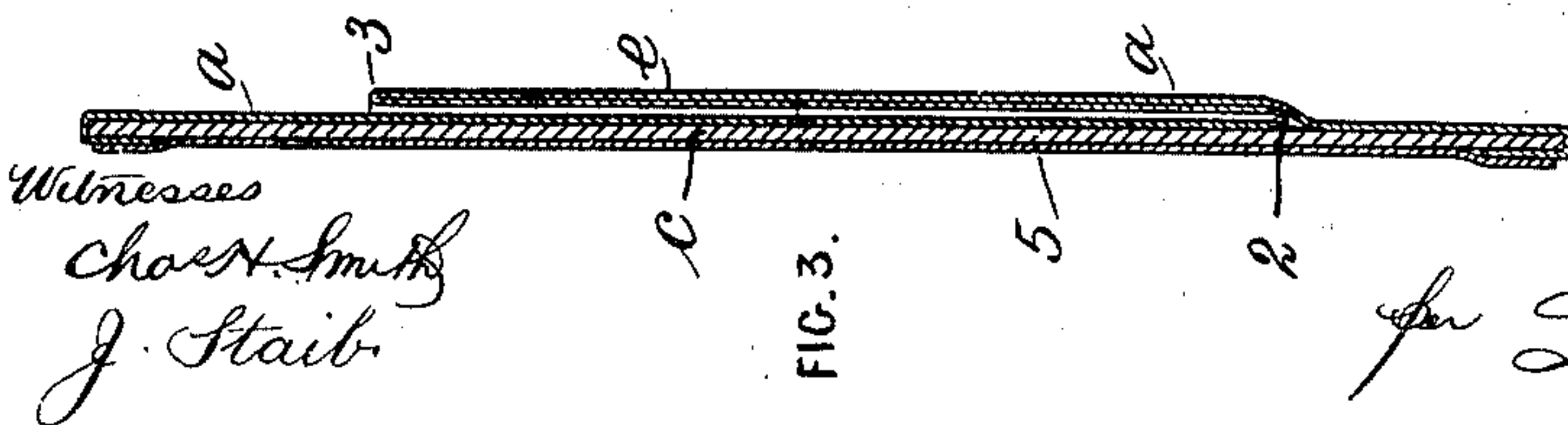


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## COVER FOR MEMORANDUM-BOOKS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MILES VERNON, a citizen of the United States, residing in the borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings, city and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Covers for Memorandum, Blank, and Similar Books, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the covers of memorandum-books, note-books, and blank books generally, and especially to those adapted to be carried about the person, the object being to provide with such books a pocket in which memoranda, &c., can be placed and kept without risk of loss and which pocket shall be strong, light, serviceable, and shall not impair the appearance or usefulness of the book.

In carrying out my invention such books are made with pockets exterior to and upon the surfaces of the covers, which are preferably formed of the surface material, such as cloth or leather, that is permanently secured to the boards of the cover. In making the cover and forming the pockets the fabric or surfacing material is folded double and the back fold comes at right angles to the lines of double fold. The cover-boards are secured to the folded fabric at right angles to the lines of fold, and the respective edges of the fabric are folded over and secured to the inner surfaces of the boards, and an inner-surface cover material is then secured down upon the surfaces of the boards and over the edges of the surfacing fabric.

The signatures of paper forming the memorandum, blank, or other book may be secured to the cover in any desired or well-known manner—such, for instance, as being bound to the covers by strings or tapes or secured to the covers by staples.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view illustrating my invention. Fig. 2 is a side elevation. Fig. 3 is a vertical section longitudinally through the cover and the pocket. Fig. 4 is a plan of the parts forming the cover in the process of making—that is to say, with the cover-boards laid upon the folded fabric, the right-hand edge turned over and secured down upon one cover, the left-hand edge turned up so as to show the double fold of the fabric, and the top and

bottom edges lying out flat; and Fig. 5 is an elevation, upon a smaller scale, showing simply the folded fabric at the inner surface.

$a$  represents the surfacing material, of fabric, leather, or other suitable material, which is folded double, 2 indicating the inner folded edge, and 3 the outer folded edge, with special reference to Figs. 4 and 5, and in Fig. 5, 4 represents the dotted line of vertical fold at the back.

$b c$  are the binders' board sides of the cover. As indicated in Fig. 4, these are secured to the inner surface. The respective side edges are folded over and down upon the surfaces of the said sides and are pasted or glued thereto, and the top and bottom edges are then turned over and secured down upon said sides  $b c$ , and in performing this act the folded portion of the fabric or other material  $a$  is at the respective sides preferably pasted or glued together, as well as to the sides  $b c$ . After securing these parts the inner-surface cover material 5 is pasted down to place upon the inner surfaces of the sides and over the surfaces of the turned-down edges of the fabric material, the same being of slightly smaller area than the full dimensions of the cover parts.

The signatures  $f$  of blank paper are made in any manner well known in the art, and they are secured within and to the covers. Such signatures may be secured together by sewing-threads or by tapes or staples through the backs thereof, and they are to be secured to the covers in any manner well known in the art and which forms no part of my present invention. In all cases it is preferable that the pockets  $d e$  in the outer surfaces of the cover shall be so made that the opening in the pocket is adjacent to the top of the book, as this in all cases is the most convenient and with books carried upon the person is quite essential, so that memoranda and other matter in the pockets can be kept right side up and the falling out thereof prevented. These pockets may be of any depth desired.

It will be apparent from the drawings that the folded edges 2 and 3 not only extend over the surfaces of the binders' board sides  $b c$  of the cover, but around the back of the memorandum or other book, and while in the closed condition of the book there appears



to be a pocket in the outer surface of each cover it is evident that if the book be opened out flat the pocket formation extends entirely across said surfaces between the distant edges of the covers. This construction has the advantages that articles smaller than the depth of the pocket can be inserted or reached for removal when the book is opened out flat.

It is to be understood that as a surfacing material for the covers I may employ cloth, leather, leatherette, paper, or any other material that may be found to be suitable and can be employed for the purpose, and it is further to be understood that I do not limit myself in the application of my invention, as covers for any kind of blank, composition, or other book or covers for removable and renewable connected signatures come within the scope of my invention.

I claim as my invention—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other book cover formed with pockets upon the outer surfaces of the covers of the material surfacing the covers, said pockets having a fold within the boundaries of the covers, substantially as set forth.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other book cover having pockets upon the outer surfaces of the covers formed from the fabric or material surfacing the covers by folding such material prior to securing the same to the cover-boards, said pockets having a fold within the boundaries of the covers, substantially as set forth.

3. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other book cover having pockets upon the outer surfaces of the covers, formed from the fabric or other material surfacing the covers, by folding such material over twice, that is, with a double fold upon itself, so that there is an inner folded edge 2 and an outer folded edge 3, prior

to securing the same to the cover-boards, substantially as set forth.

4. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other similar book, having pockets upon the outer surfaces of both covers formed by folding the fabric or other surface material of the cover over double upon itself so that there is an inner folded edge 2 and an outer folded edge 3, and the fold for the back of the cover comes upon a line 4 at right angles to the said folded edges, whereby in the completed cover there are pockets in the outer faces of both covers and the folded edge 3 comes adjacent to the upper part of the book-cover, substantially as set forth.

5. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other book cover formed from binders'-board sides, and a piece of fabric or other suitable surfacing material that is folded over twice, that is, with a double fold upon itself, so that there is an inner folded edge 2 and an outer folded edge 3, and so that a receptacle or pocket is formed between the folded portions on the outer surface of the cover.

6. As a new article of manufacture, a memorandum, note, blank or other book cover formed from binders'-board sides, and a piece of fabric or other suitable surfacing material that is folded over twice, that is, with a double fold upon itself, so that there is an inner folded edge 2 and an outer folded edge 3 that extend across both covers and around the book, and so that a receptacle or pocket is formed between the folded portions on the outer surfaces of the covers, and which, when the book is opened out flat extends between the extreme edges of the covers.

Signed by me this 15th day of April, 1902.

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