

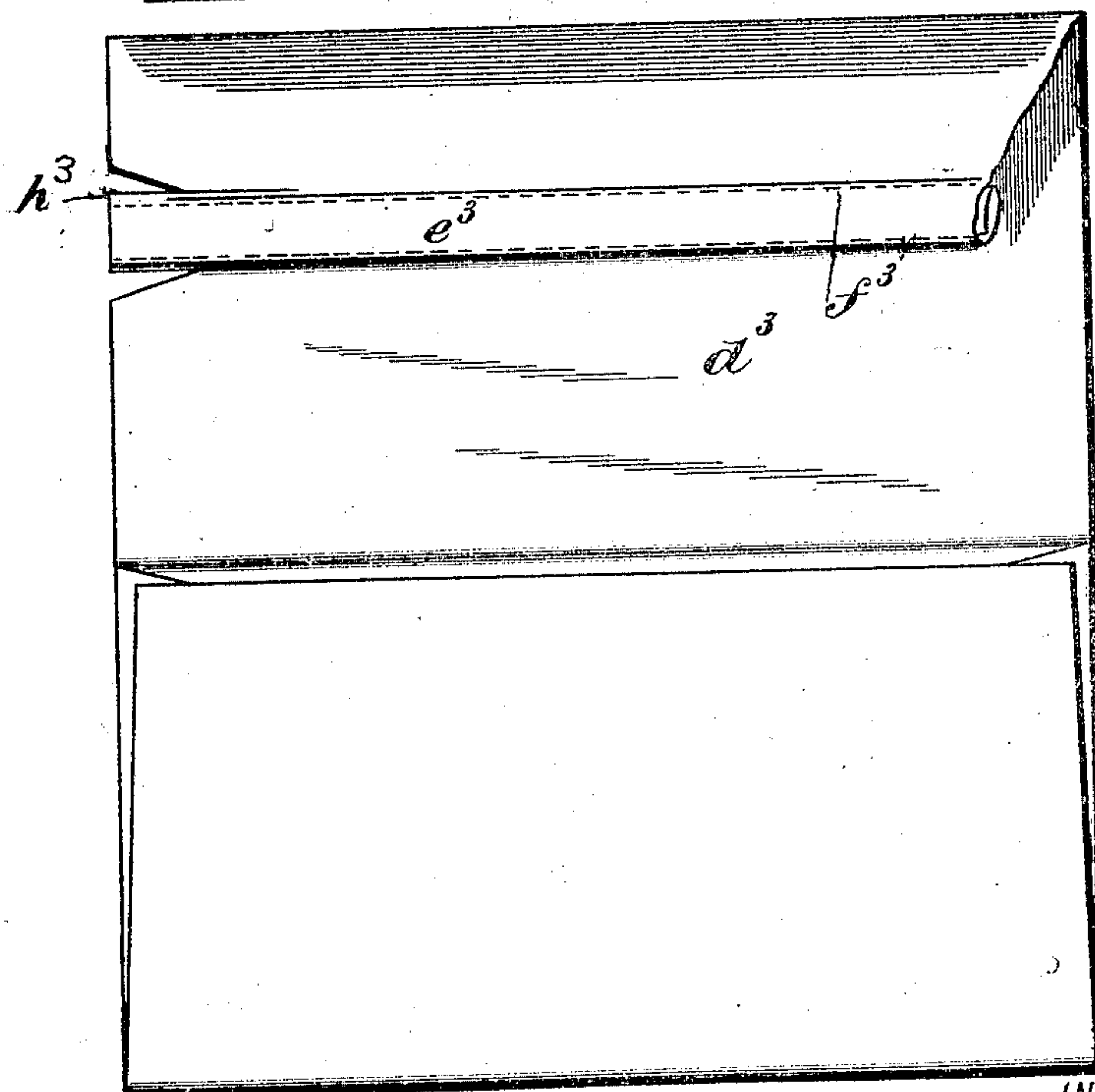
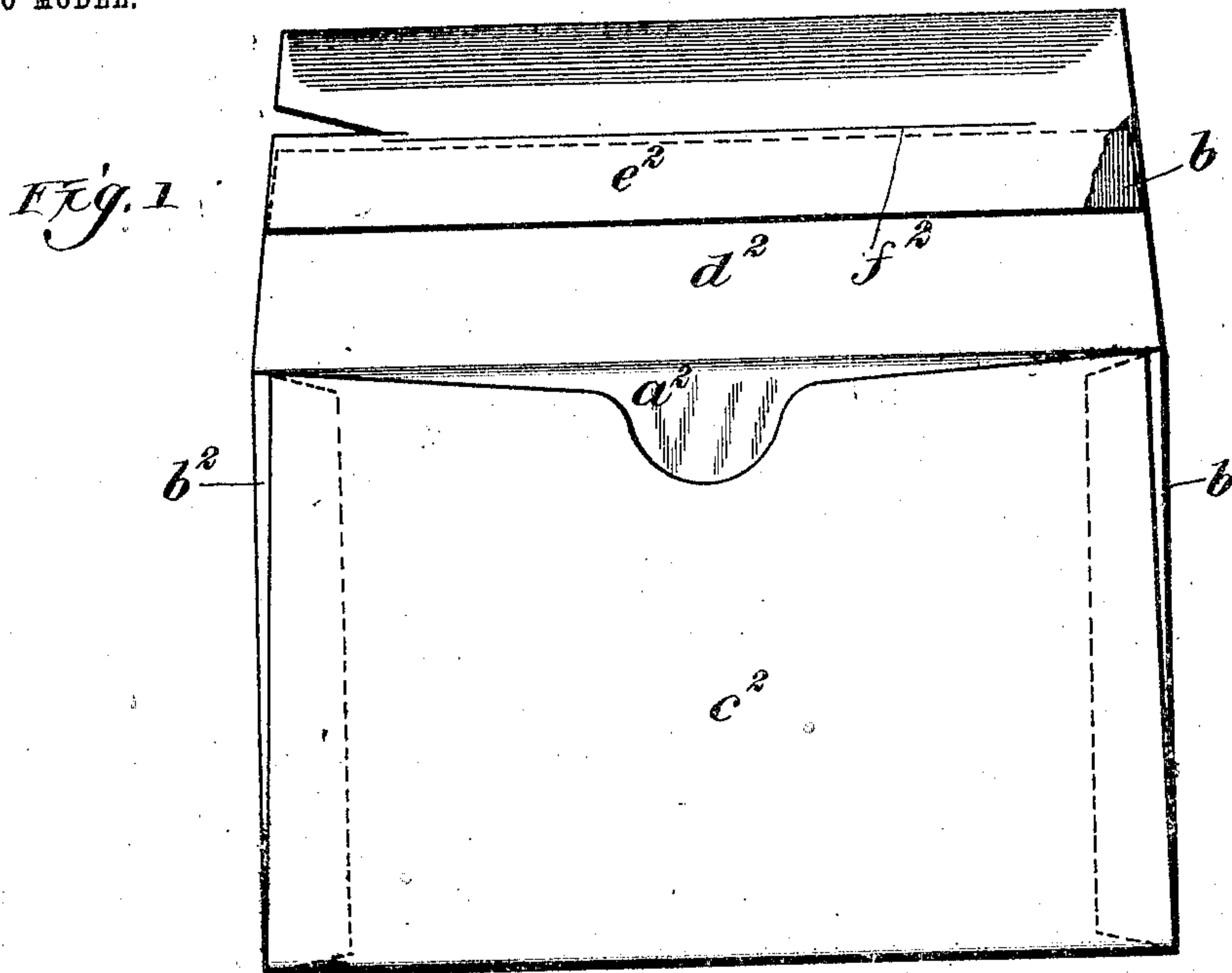
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PEDRO DÁVALOS, a citizen of the Republic of Peru, and a resident of Havana, Cuba, have invented a new and Improved Envelop, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The purpose of this invention is to provide an improved means for facilitating opening envelopes, wrappers, and other like covers of packages, particularly those covers which are used on mail-matters. This end I attain by forming a tearing-strip of the material of which the envelop itself is formed, thus not only cheapening the production of the self-opening envelop in regard to the cost of material, but also in regard to the work or labor necessary in constructing the envelop.

This specification is an exact description of my invention, while the claim defines the actual scope thereof.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 shows one form of envelop and illustrates the manner of securing the tearing-strip thereto, and Fig. 2 is an illustration of a slightly-modified form of envelop.

Referring now to Fig. 1 of the drawings, a^2 indicates the front of the envelop, the two side flaps being designated by b^2 b^2 , while c^2 indicates the bottom flap, the top or sealing flap being designated by d^2 . The tearing-strip (designated by e^2) is formed integral with the flap, this being effected by folding the elongated end of the flap inward upon the body portion of the flap and forming the tearing-strip by a cut f^2 running along the flap. The body part of the flap may be formed with a tongue lying outward immediately in front of the free end of the tearing-strip, and the extremity of the flap d^2 may be again bent, as indicated at h , thus giving the tearing-strip a double thickness.

In Fig. 2 I have shown a form of the invention which is particularly applicable to a newspaper-wrapper. In this construction the flap is bent inward, and the edge is folded upon itself once or several times, as may be desired, thus forming a tearing-strip e^3 , which lies inside of the mucilage attached to the wrapper for the purpose of sealing it. f^3 indicates the slit which severs the tearing-strip from the body of the wrapper, and said body of the wrapper is formed with notches h^3 , producing a tongue which lies inside of the free end of the tearing-strip and facilitates grasping said strip.

It will be observed that an envelop such as herein described possesses many advantages and also modifies the essential features of cheapness and convenience. It will further be understood that certain changes may be made in the form, proportions, and minor details of my invention without departing from the spirit and scope thereof. Hence I consider myself entitled to all such variations that may lie within the intent of the claim.

In the accompanying claim I use the term "envelop" as synonymous with any form of the wrapper or circular for packages.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

An envelop having its sealing-flap folded inward upon itself at its free end and having such interfold portion sealed, and a tearing-strip formed integral with and partially severed from the material of the flap, such tearing-strip lying under the outer face portion of the flap, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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