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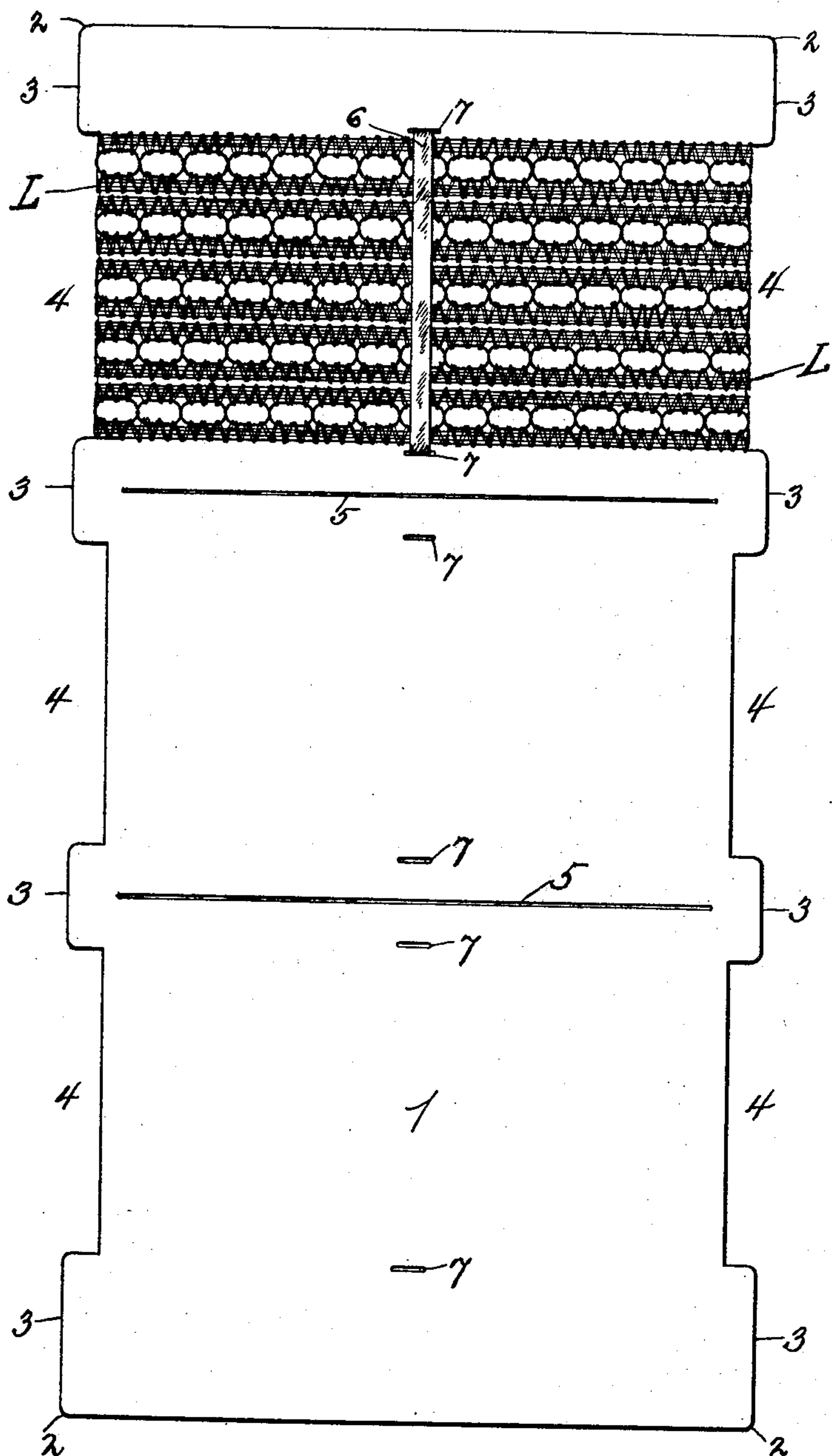
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MICHAEL COHN, a citizen of the United States, residing in the borough of Manhattan, city of New York, county of New York, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Holding Laces, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to devices for holding laces; and it consists of a card of paste-board or other equivalent material which is notched at the sides, so as to produce lateral rounded projections which serve to separate the several pieces of lace wound upon the card. The card is also provided with novel means for positively securing a plurality of pieces of lace thereon and is also adapted to be readily divided by breaking into a plurality of sections each bearing a single piece of lace.

The principal object of the invention is to produce a lace-holding device which is adapted to receive a plurality of pieces of lace to keep said pieces separate and which is so constructed that it may be conveniently handled as a whole or may also be readily divided into independent sections each having a single piece of lace wound thereon.

The further objects of the invention are to provide a card adapted to receive a plurality of pieces of lace and having the corners thereon rounded, so that they will not engage with the meshes of the lace upon adjacent cards to injure them in any way, and also to provide a novel lace-holding device by means of which a plurality of pieces of lace may be so secured in separate skeins that the holding device and the laces held thereby may present a neat and attractive appearance.

The preferred form of the holding device is hereinafter fully described and is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which I have shown the holding device with a single skein or bolt of lace wound thereon in one of the divisions or sections of the card.

The scope of the invention is clearly defined in the appended claims, and it is to be understood that changes in the device within the scope of the claims may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Referring to the drawing by the reference

characters marked thereon, 1 designates the body of the card, which is formed with rounded corners 2 and with a plurality of lateral projections 3, the ends of which are also rounded. Between the lateral projections a plurality of notches 4 are formed, and the laces are wound upon the card in the said notches, the laps or leads of the windings being disposed transversely of the card, as clearly shown at L.

In order to provide for the ready separation of the card into a number of sections corresponding to the number of skeins or bolts of lace wound thereon, a plurality of weakened lines 5 are provided at intervals and disposed transversely of the card. The weakened lines 5 may be formed by perforating the card, by cutting partially through the stock of the card, by stamping, or otherwise, and each line is of such length that it terminates short of the margin of the card on either side. Each of the weakened lines extends between two opposite lateral projections and lies about equidistant from the adjacent lace-receiving spaces formed by the lateral projections.

The means provided for positively securing the skeins or bolts of lace in a card consist, preferably, in a short piece of tape or ribbon 6, which extends transversely over the leads of each skein or bolt of lace and passes through small slots 7, formed in the card adjacent to and on both sides of each lace-receiving space. A separate piece of tape or ribbon is provided for each bolt or skein of lace in order to permit the separation of the sections of the card without cutting the tape or ribbon by which the skeins or bolts are secured. Each of the ribbons has the ends thereof secured upon the back of the card in any suitable manner, as by tying the same.

From the foregoing description and the drawing illustrative thereof it will be readily seen that the lace-holding device is of such character that the several skeins or bolts of lace wound thereon will be securely held and will be accurately separated. It will also be seen that the card as an entirety may be conveniently held without injury or breakage, as the weakened lines which extend transversely

of the card do not extend to the margins thereof, but leave unweakened portions of the card at both ends of each weakened line.

The weakened lines serve, however, to define lines of breakage when the card is bent longitudinally, and they therefore facilitate the separation of the sections of the card when it is desired to sell a smaller quantity of lace than that wound on the whole card.

It will also be noted that the provision of the pieces of tape or ribbon prevents the unwinding of the skeins or bolts of lace and lends to the holding device a pleasing and attractive appearance, while at the same time permitting the separation of the several sections of the card.

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

1. A lace-holding device comprising a winding-card of stiff material divided by a plurality of weakened lines disposed transversely of and terminating short of the margins of the card into a plurality of sections, each provided with lateral projections for keeping the laces in position on the sections.

2. In a lace-holding device, a winding-card presenting a plurality of lace-holding spaces having weakened lines between said lace-hold-

ing spaces and having at opposite sides of each lace-holding space a pair of slots to receive a lace-securing tape or ribbon.

3. In a lace-holding device, a winding-card presenting a plurality of rounded lateral projections defining lace-receiving spaces, said spaces being provided at opposite sides with slots to receive the lace-securing tapes or ribbons, and weakened lines extending transversely of the card being provided between the lace-receiving spaces, said weakened lines terminating short of the margins of the card.

4. In a lace-holding device, a winding-card of stiff material presenting upon opposite sides a plurality of rounded projections defining lace-receiving spaces, said spaces being separated by weakened lines extending transversely of the card between said rounded projections and terminating short of the margins of the card, the card being further provided at opposite sides of each lace-receiving space with slots for the reception of tapes or ribbons for securing the lace in said spaces.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 13th day of June, 1904.

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