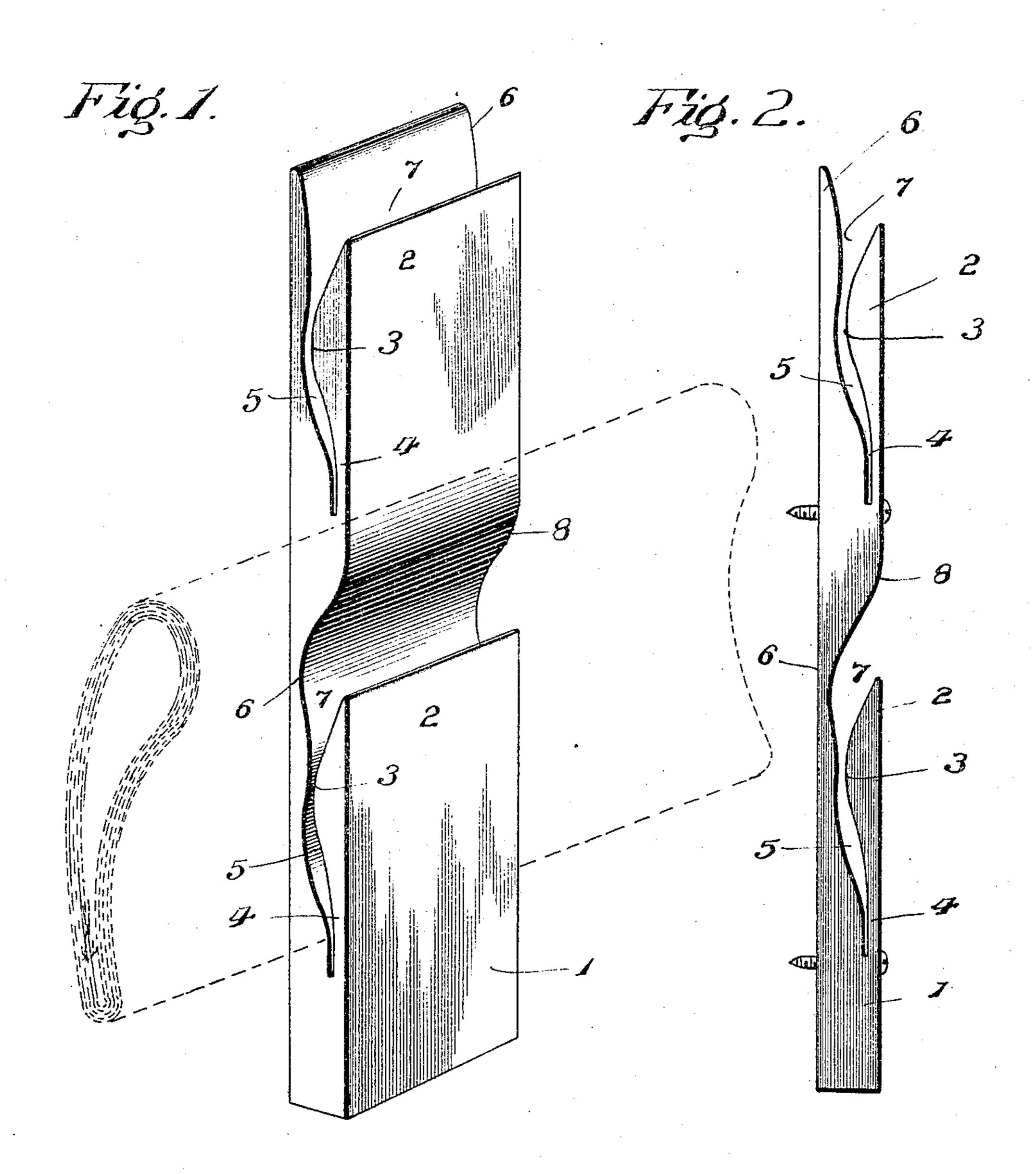
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## NEWSPAPER-CLIP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Dwight W. Burgess, a citizen of the United States, residing at Norwalk, in the county of Huron and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Newspaper-Clips, of which the following is a specification.

This invention provides a holder or clip of novel and peculiar formation particularly designed for retaining mail-matter, newspapers, periodicals, and printed matter generally of

like nature.

The clip is preferably formed or constructed of wood because of the lightness and cheapness of that material; but it may consist of any other material suitable therefor.

The invention consists of the novel features, details of construction, and combinations of parts, which hereinafter will be more particularly set forth, illustrated, and finally claimed.

In the drawings hereto attached and forming a part of the specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a clip or holder constructed in accordance with this invention, the dotted lines showing a newspaper or like article held thereby. Fig. 2 is an edge or side view of the clip.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and indicated on both views of the drawings by the same

reference characters.

The clip or holder may consist of one or more grips, according to the number of articles to be held, and said grips may be of different capacity, but shall be of integral formation. In the preferable construction a strip of wood of determinate length, width, and thickness is utilized in the formation of the article and is cut substantially as shown to provide the grips.

The strip or block of wood forming the body of the clip or holder is indicated at 1 and is cut to provide the spring-jaws 2, the space separating each of the jaws from the body or main portion of the strip or block being tortuous, so as to preclude the posssible displacement of the newpaper, periodical, or like article when placed in position. The jaws of the grip shall at the openings severally curve from each other from the point 3, so as to more easily receive the article or articles held therein, and the opening between said jaws shall be tortuous or of such other form

as to securely hold such article or articles. Below the outward curves of the upward ends of said jaws the space is widened between 55 them, as at 5, to accommodate any bulge in the articles to be held therein, thereby holding such article more securely in the clip. The body portion of the holder opposite to the end portion of the jaw curves slightly therefrom, 60 as indicated at 6, to provide a flared throat 7, for the guidance of the newspaper or article between the jaws or gripping members of the clip. The grip or grips below the topmost one has a portion 8 overhanging the throat 7, 65 which serves as a guide to direct the newspaper or article to its throat. The jaws or gripping members of the topmost clip flare at their upper ends and the rear jaw projects above the front jaw to facilitate the entrance 7° of the newspaper or like article between the jaws when placing the same in position.

A holder constructed substantially as herein set forth may be cheaply manufactured, is light and effective for the specific purpose designed, and may be finished in any way and is admirably adapted as an advertising novelty because of the extent of surface provided, upon which matter of any character may be printed or applied.

Having thus described the invention, what

is claimed as new is—

1. A clip for newspapers and the like consisting of a strip or block having a cut extended inward from a side thereof, thence longitudinally to provide a spring-jaw integral with the body and having its inner portion comparatively thin and its outer portion thickened to provide a hump, said cut being tortuous and widened at a point beyond said hump, 9° substantially as specified.

2. A clip or holder substantially as specified, comprising a plurality of grips, each constituting an integral part of the body and comprising companion jaws, the topmost grip 95 opening upward through the end of the body and the remaining grip opening through a side of the body, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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