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Fig. 1.

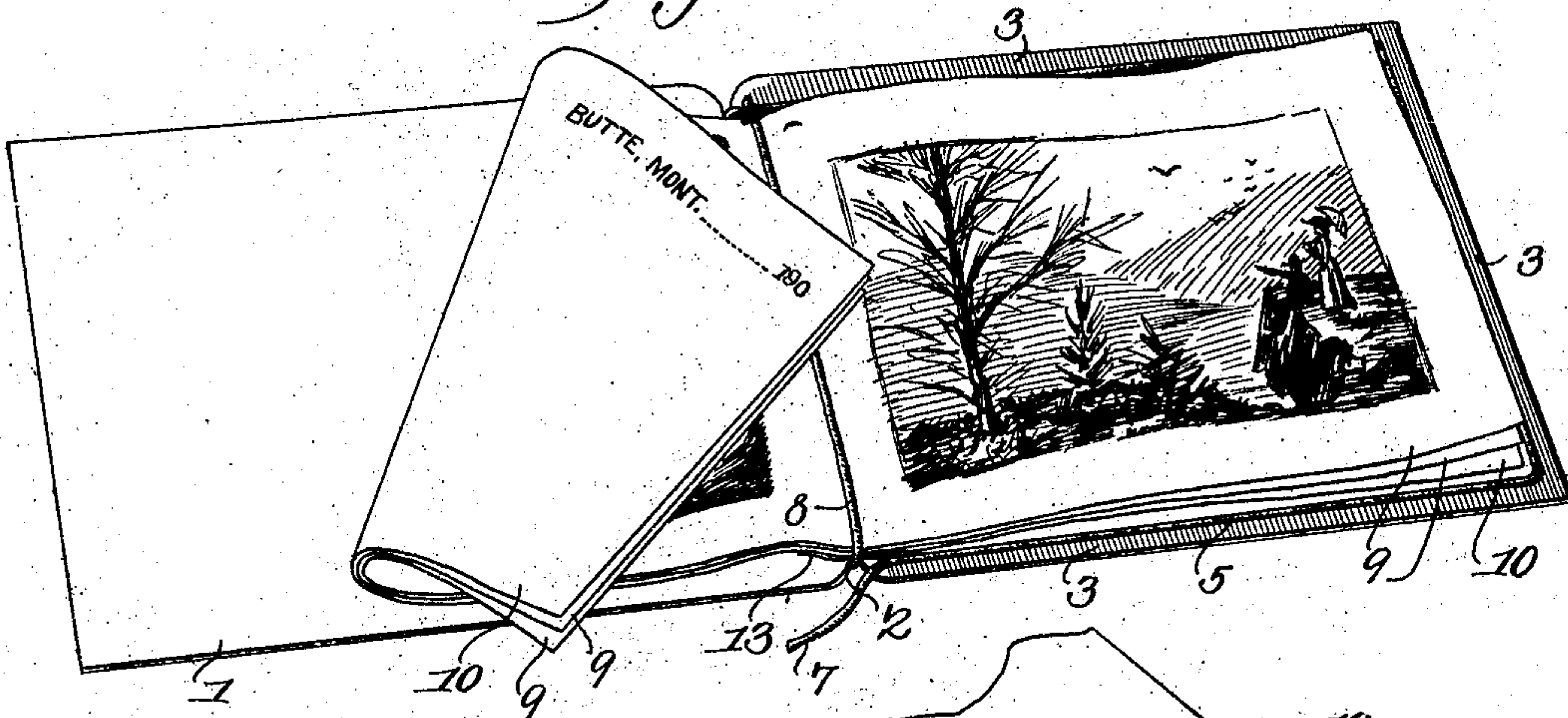


Fig. 2.

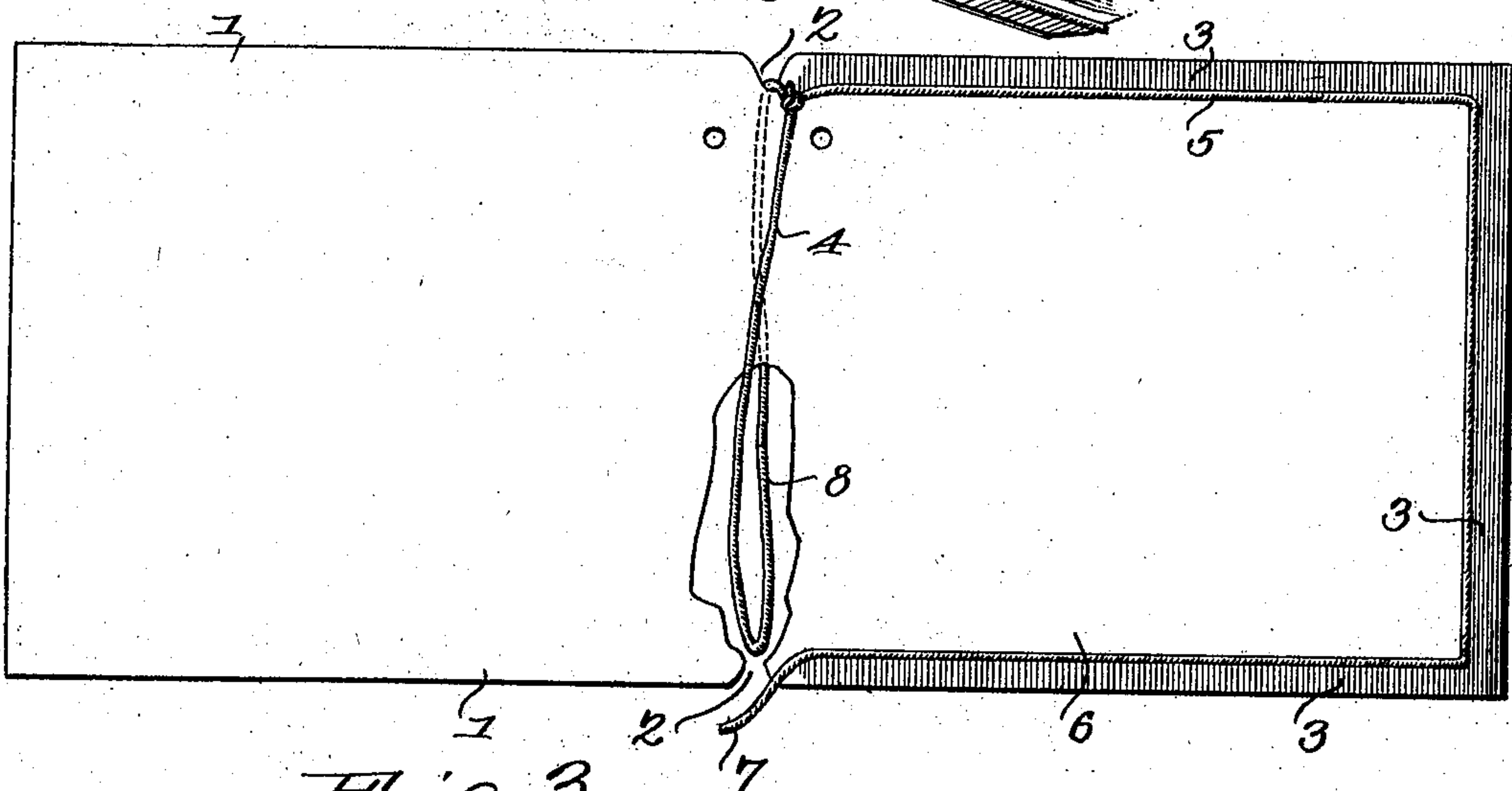
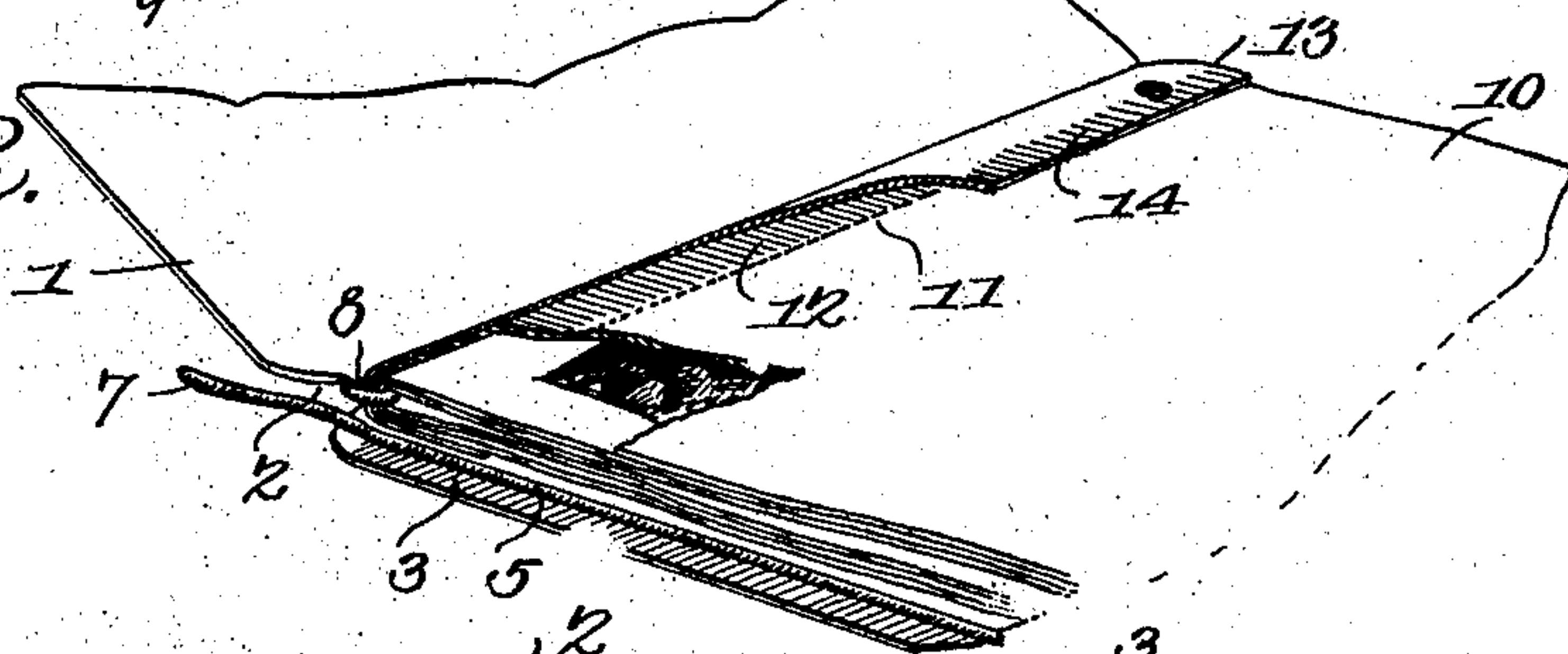


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WINFIELD S. HAWES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Butte, in the county of Silverbow and State of Montana, have invented a new and useful Combined Envelop and Souvenir-Album, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combined envelop and souvenir-album.

10 The object of the invention is in a ready, practical, attractive, and simple manner to combine an envelop, letter-sheet, and souvenir-album in such manner that while being transported through the mails the contained
15 letter and album shall be thoroughly protected from being inspected or tampered with and which when delivered to the recipient will permit of the letter being removed without interfering with the album proper and in
20 which, further, the means employed for holding the leaves constituting a letter-sheet and album within the envelop or cover shall constitute a novel and effective form of envelop-opening device.

25 With the above and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the novel construction and combination of parts of a souvenir letter-album, as will be herein-
30 after fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of
35 the device, showing certain of the leaves turned upon themselves to exhibit the letter-sheet. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing more particularly a stub that may be combined with the other leaves of the album to permit
40 attachment of an additional letter-sheet or an additional photograph. Fig. 3 is a view in plan exhibiting more particularly the covers of the album which form the envelop and also the combined assembling device and
45 the envelop-opener.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates the blank to form the envelop, which is constructed of a sheet of paper preferably rectangular in shape and provided at its center on opposite sides and in transverse alinement with
50 notches or recesses 2, and on one side of the median line with a gummed margin 3, which may be of any width necessary and which serves to hold the two sides of the envelop

combined while being transmitted through 55 the mails. Assembled with the envelop is a combined leaf-holder and envelop-opener, which consists of a length of cord or tape, one end 4 of which is looped around the envelop and engages the notches 2 and the other end 60 5 of which is secured to the side 6 by the gum 3, the free end 7 of the cord or tape being projected a sufficient distance beyond the envelop at its bend or back to permit of its being readily grasped by the fingers, thus to 65 effect opening of three sides of the envelop. The loop 8 is shown partly by full lines and partly by dotted lines in Fig. 3 loosely combined with the envelop, and therefore permits insertion beneath it of a series of leaves 9, of 70 which there may be any desired number, and a letter-sheet 10, the latter being the first sheet in the book and being designed to receive written matter placed thereon by the sender. The letter-sheet, as shown in Fig. 2, 75 is provided with a weakened or perforated line 11, by which it may be detached from the remainder of the sheet, and a stub 12 thus formed is gummed to permit attachment thereto of an additional photograph or 80 photographs, it being designed that as the letter might contain private matter ready means may be provided whereby it may be detached from the remainder of the sheet without interfering with the other leaves. 85 Of course it is to be understood that all four sides of the sheet 10 may be written upon, so that ample space is provided for writing a letter. The leaves 9 will bear half-tone prints of objects of interest adjacent to the locality 90 whence the album is issued and are intended as souvenirs to be retained by the recipient.

In order to permit additional letters being sealed in the envelop or of additional views or photographs being held within the album, 95 there is a stub 13 provided, which is passed around the backs of the folded sheets and has its edges gummed, as at 14, to permit attachment of any desired matter.

In addition to forming a means for holding 100 the various leaves assembled within the envelop or cover the loop 8 will form a convenient means by which the album may be suspended while on sale, thereby obviating the necessity of driving tacks or other fasten- 105 ing devices through it.

It will be noted by reference to Fig. 1 that the various leaves are held loosely combined

with the cover or envelop by the loop 8, and this will permit of all the leaves being removed in a body or any one to the exclusion of the others, if so desired, a feature that will
5 be found of advantage where it is desired to remove any particular sheet or the letter from the envelop without disturbing the others.

The envelop-opening device is of peculiar
10 advantage, inasmuch as it will remove the liability of the receiver injuring the views contained on the pages 9, as when the end 7 is grasped and draft is applied the cord or tape will readily sever the sealed edges of the
15 envelop and will effect this in an uneven manner, thereby giving the envelop the appearance of deckle-edge paper.

The loop is capable of being extended or lengthened, so that the contents of three or
20 four albums may be combined in one envelop, thereby saving postage and also permitting the presentation of a large number of photographs or scenes between one cover.

Having thus described the invention, what
25 is claimed is—

1. A souvenir-album comprising an envelop provided intermediate its ends with notches and recesses, and an extensible loop engaging the notches and adapted to hold a
30 plurality of leaves assembled with the en-

velop, and having a portion constituting an envelop-opener.

2. A souvenir-album comprising an envelop, and an extensible loop combined therewith and having a member detachably secured to the margin of one side of the envelop and constituting an opening element. 35

3. A souvenir-album comprising a sheet of paper, to form an envelop, the edges on one side of the median line of which are gummed, and an extensible loop loosely combined with the envelop and adapted to hold a plurality of leaves assembled with the envelop, and having a portion forming an envelop-opener secured to the said gummed edges. 40 45

4. A souvenir-album comprising an envelop having a combined loop and envelop-opener assembled therewith, the loop being adapted to hold a plurality of leaves assembled with the envelop, and a stub arranged
50 at the bend of the leaves and having gummed portions.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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