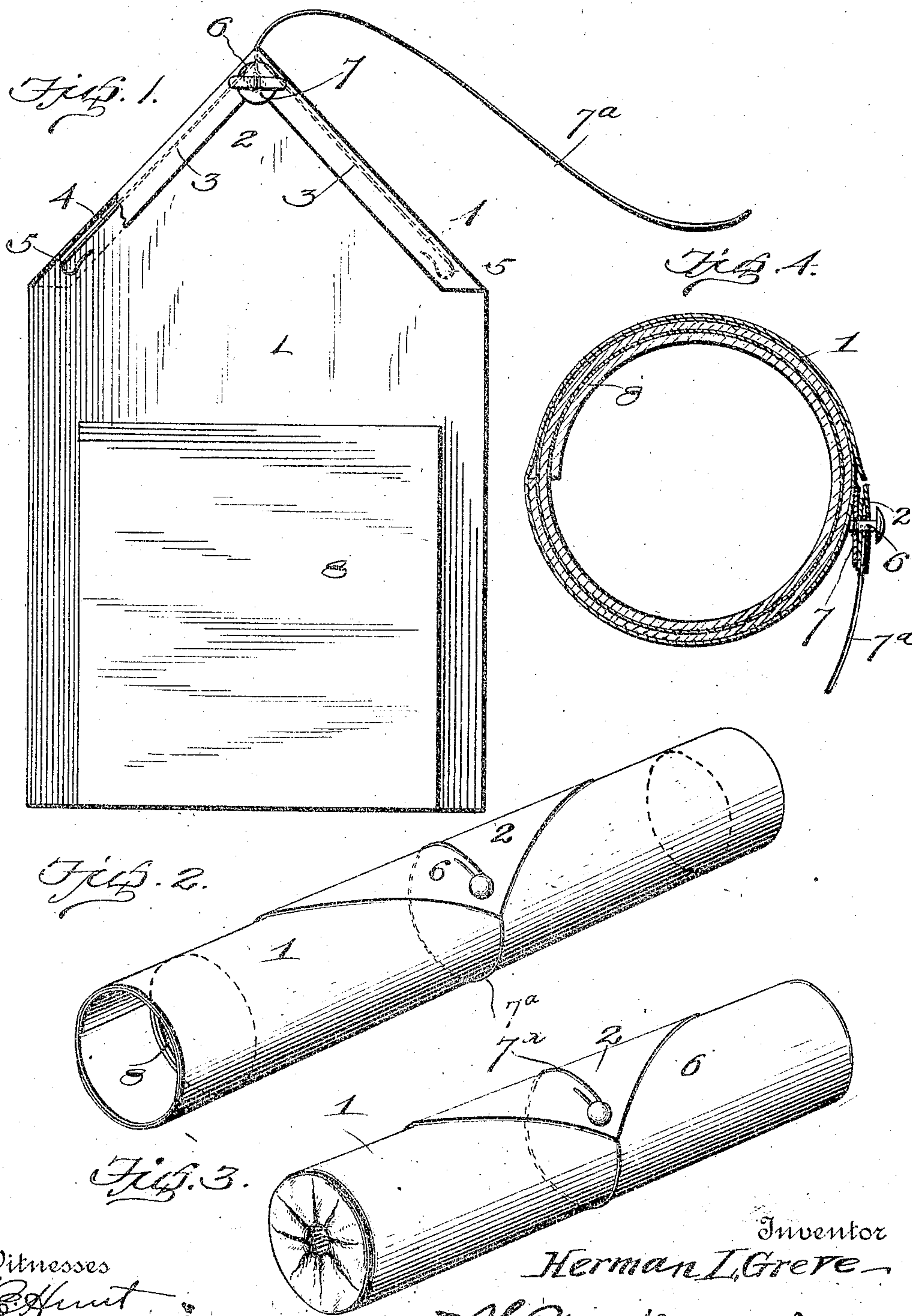


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERMAN L. GREVE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Mailing-Wrappers; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in mailing wrappers.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive form of mailing wrapper which when not in use may be laid out flat, thus facilitating the packing and storing of the same, and which when desired for use may be quickly rolled into cylindrical shape to form a tube for mailing or other purposes, means being provided whereby the tube is securely held in a rolled position, said fastening means being readily released to permit the opening of the roll without cutting or tearing any part of the same or the fastening, thus providing for the safe removal of the contents.

With the above and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a plan view of the inner side of the wrapper before being rolled, parts being broken away to illustrate the construction thereof; Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the wrapper, after being rolled; Fig. 3 is a similar view of the wrapper, after being rolled and having its ends tucked in; and Fig. 4 is a cross sectional view through the center of a wrapper constructed after the manner of the wrapper shown in Fig. 1, but having its parts differently proportioned and having the outer covering broken for economy of illustration.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 1 denotes an outer sheet, which is preferably formed of tough or strong paper or fabric. The corners of the sheet 1 at one end are preferably cut off to form a pointed flap 2 at said end. The edges of said pointed flap are folded inwardly and sealed or pasted down upon one side of the sheet 1, as shown at 3, and between said folded edges and the sheet 1 is arranged a strengthening wire or cord 4, the ends of which are doubled or

looped, as shown at 5, forming stops and thus providing for the more secure fastening of the cord or wire in the folded portion of the pointed end of the sheet 1. In the point 1 of the flap in the rear of the strengthening wire 4 is arranged a metal fastening 6, the ends of which project through a disk 7, which is pasted on the inner side of the flap, as shown, the ends of the fastener 6 being upset or bent upon the disk.

Secured at one end to the fastener 6 and projecting from the point of the flap is a flexible fastening strip, 7<sup>a</sup>, which is here shown as being formed of thin wire, but which may be formed of cord, tape or other suitable material, said fastening device being adapted to be wound around the tube after the same is rolled and to have its free end wound around the fastener 6 on the outer side of the flap, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawings.

Pasted or otherwise fastened to the inner side of the sheet 1 at the end opposite to the flap 2 is a layer of straw board or similar material 8, said layer 8 extending from the square end of the sheet to near the flap end thereof, as shown. Said straw board layer is of slightly less width than the sheet 1, thereby providing along each edge of said board, a marginal strip, said marginal strips being adapted to be folded or tucked into the tube after the same has been rolled and the goods to be shipped placed therein. By providing a wrapper of this character, the same may be rolled to form tubes of different sizes, thus providing for the safe packing and shipping of valuable papers or merchandise.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

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

1. A mailing wrapper comprising a sheet having a pointed flap at one end, the edges of which are folded and sealed upon the inner side of said sheet, a strengthening device arranged and wholly inclosed within the folded edge of said flap and provided with stops to prevent its withdrawal and a flexible tying strip secured to the point of the flap at the rear of said strengthening device.

2. A mailing wrapper comprising a sheet having a pointed flap at one end, the edges of

which are folded and pasted upon the inner side of said flap, a strengthening wire or cord arranged and wholly inclosed within the folded edge of said flap and having its ends looped to prevent its escape, a strengthening disk arranged on the inner side of the flap point, a metallic fastener inserted through said point and disk in rear of the strengthening wire and a fastening wire secured at one

end to said metallic fastener and projecting from the point of said flap.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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