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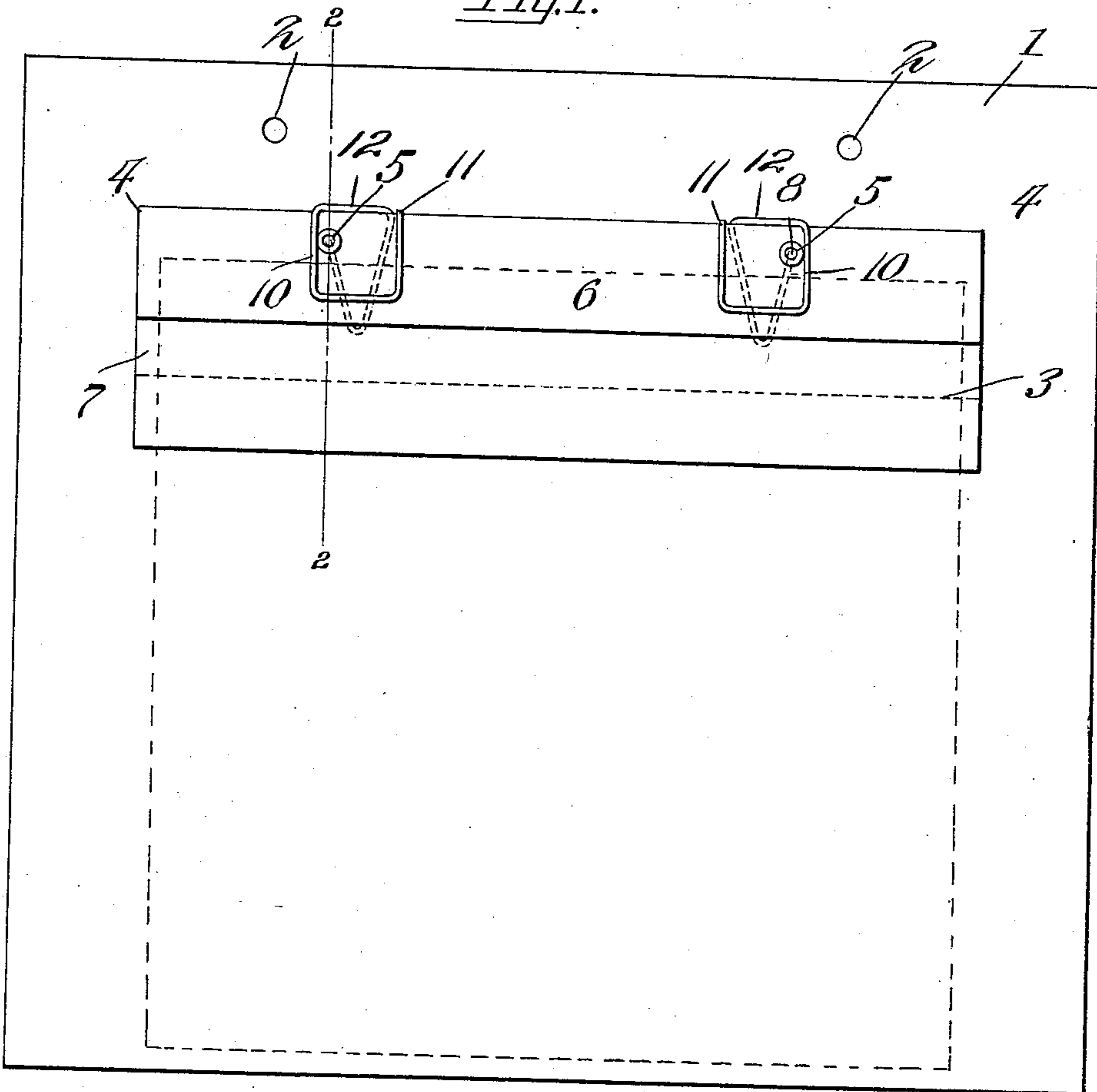
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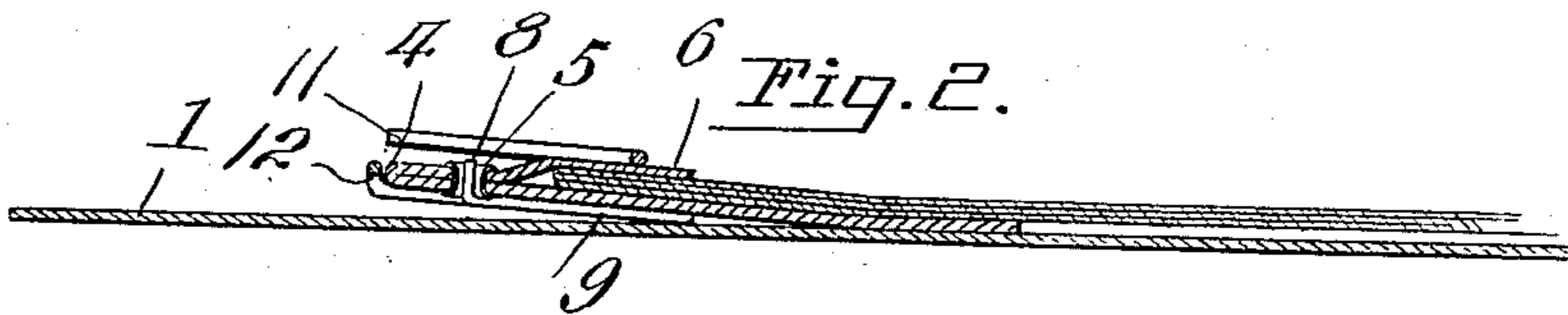
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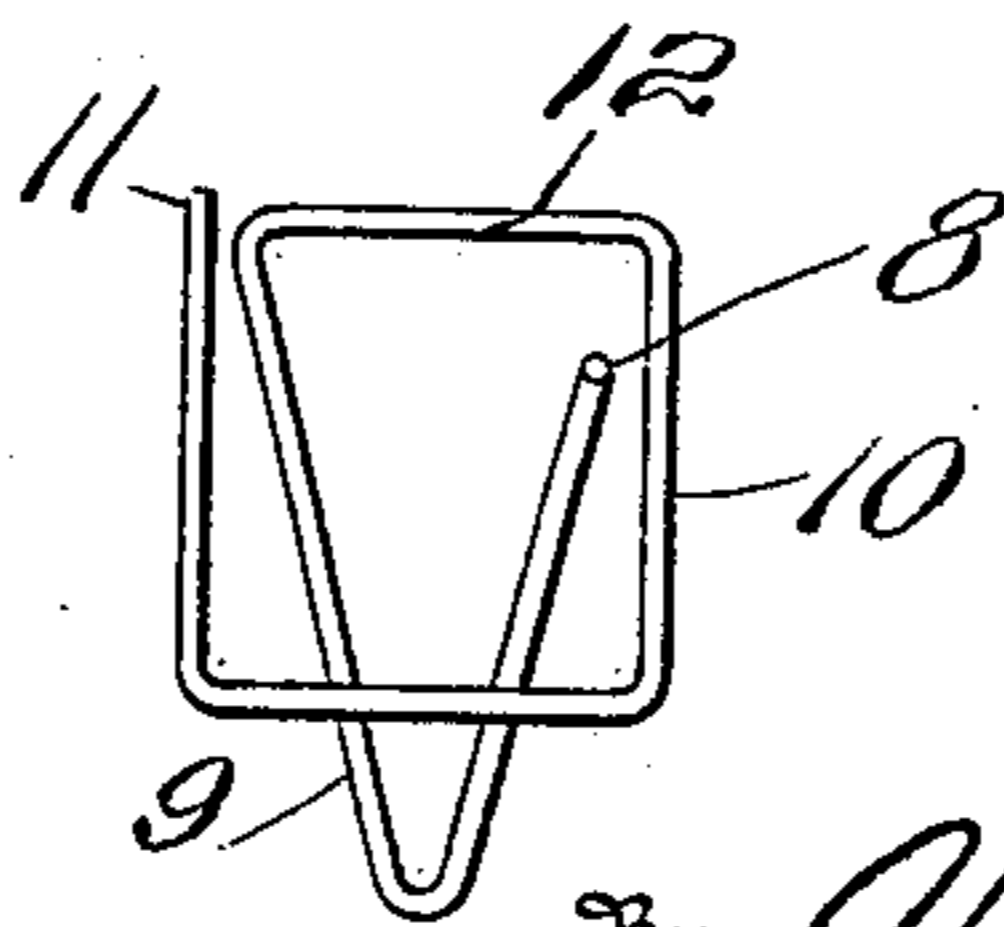
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## PAPER-CLIP.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, DUVAL JOHNSON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Pine Bluff, in the county of Jefferson and State of Arkansas, have invented new and useful Improvements in Paper-Clips, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to paper clips designed to be used with loose leaf binders and bound books, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide simple means for holding a number of letters, papers or invoices to the leaf of a loose leaf binder or to any other bound book or index.

Still another object is to provide a simple wire clasp or clip and to pivot the same so that it may be swung out of the way while the papers are being placed in position underneath a strip to which the clips are pivoted, so that the clips can be turned back to clamp the papers in place underneath the paper strip.

These and other objects may be attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which,—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a loose leaf binder having my paper clip connected thereto. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a plan view of one of the spring wire clips.

Referring to the drawing for a more specific description of my invention, the numeral 1 designates the leaf of a loose leaf binder provided with the usual pointer holes 2 for connecting the leaf to the impaling pins of a binder.

Secured to the loose leaf 1 in any suitable manner, as by adhesive substance or by means of stitches 3, is a strip of strong paper which is doubled over at the point 4, and a pair of eyelets 5 are passed through the two thicknesses of paper near the upper edge thereof and upset to form bearings for the clips. The flap 6 may be lifted from the body portion 7 of the paper strip after the clips have been turned on their pivotal points away from the flap 6.

The resilient wire clips each consists of an angular end 8, which is seated in the eyelet 5, a V-shaped resilient member 9 and a rectangular member 10 which terminates

at 11. The outer side or bar 12 of the member 10 forms a stop which coöperates with the upper edge of the paper strip to stop the clip at the required point to properly hold the papers between the flap 6 and the body portion 7.

In order to place papers underneath the flap 6, the resilient clips are turned away from the flap upon their pivotal points 8, thus permitting the papers to be placed under the flap and to be guided by coming in contact with the eyelets 5. After the papers have been placed under the flap the resilient clips are turned back upon the flap, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing, to hold the papers firmly in place between the flap 6 and the body portion 7.

My device is of simple construction, can be manufactured at slight cost, is reliable and efficient in use and can be quickly operated to clamp any number of papers desired under the flap 6.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:—

1. A paper clip for loose leaf binders and the like consisting of a strip of paper folded to form an overlying flap, said strip being secured to the leaf of a binder and said flap being connected to the strip by eyelets passing through both, resilient wire clips, each having an angular end pivoted in the eyelet and adapted to be swung away from the flap to permit the papers to be placed under the same and to be turned back to clamp the papers, substantially as described.

2. A paper clip for loose leaf binders and the like comprising a paper strip, a flap bent downward therefrom, eyelets connecting the flap and strip, resilient metal clips pivoted in the eyelets and provided with a V-shaped member and a rectangular member.

3. A paper clip comprising a paper strip having a turned down flap, eyelets connecting said flap and strip, and a resilient metal clip pivoted in the eyelets and provided with a stop, substantially as described.

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

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