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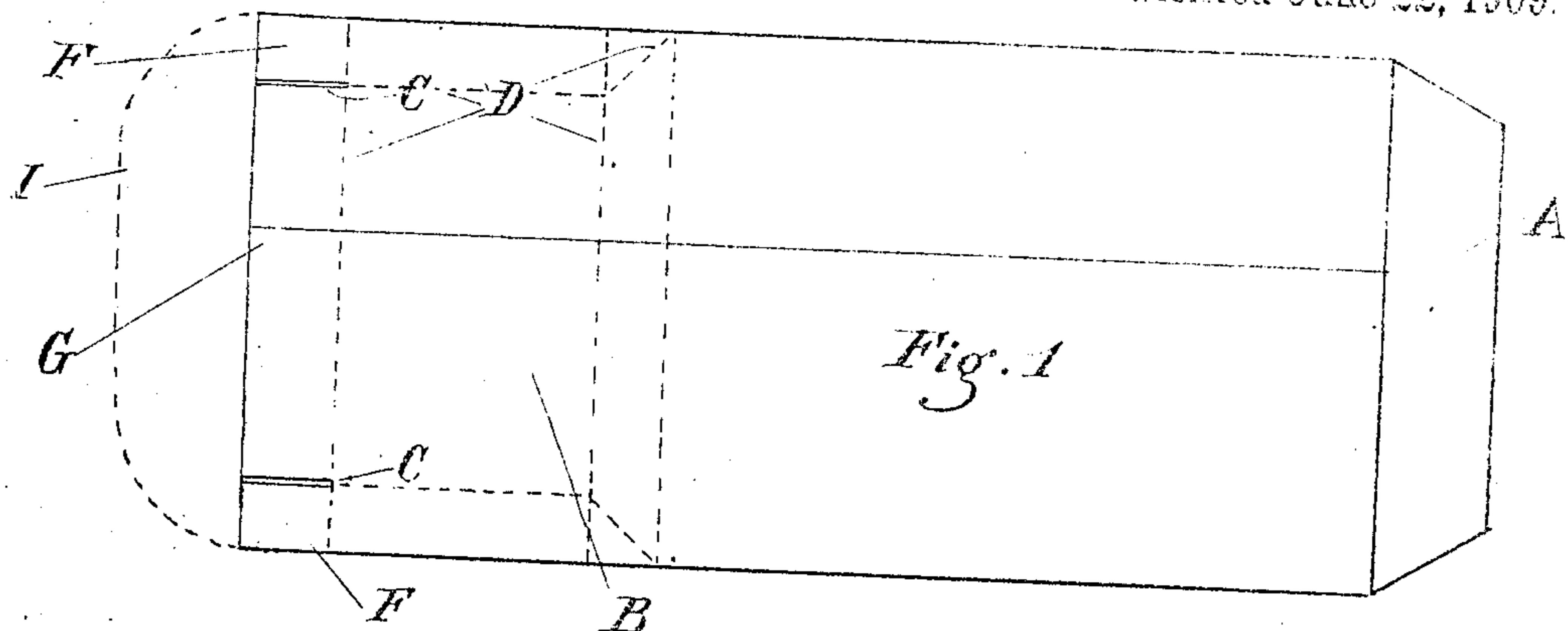


Fig. 1

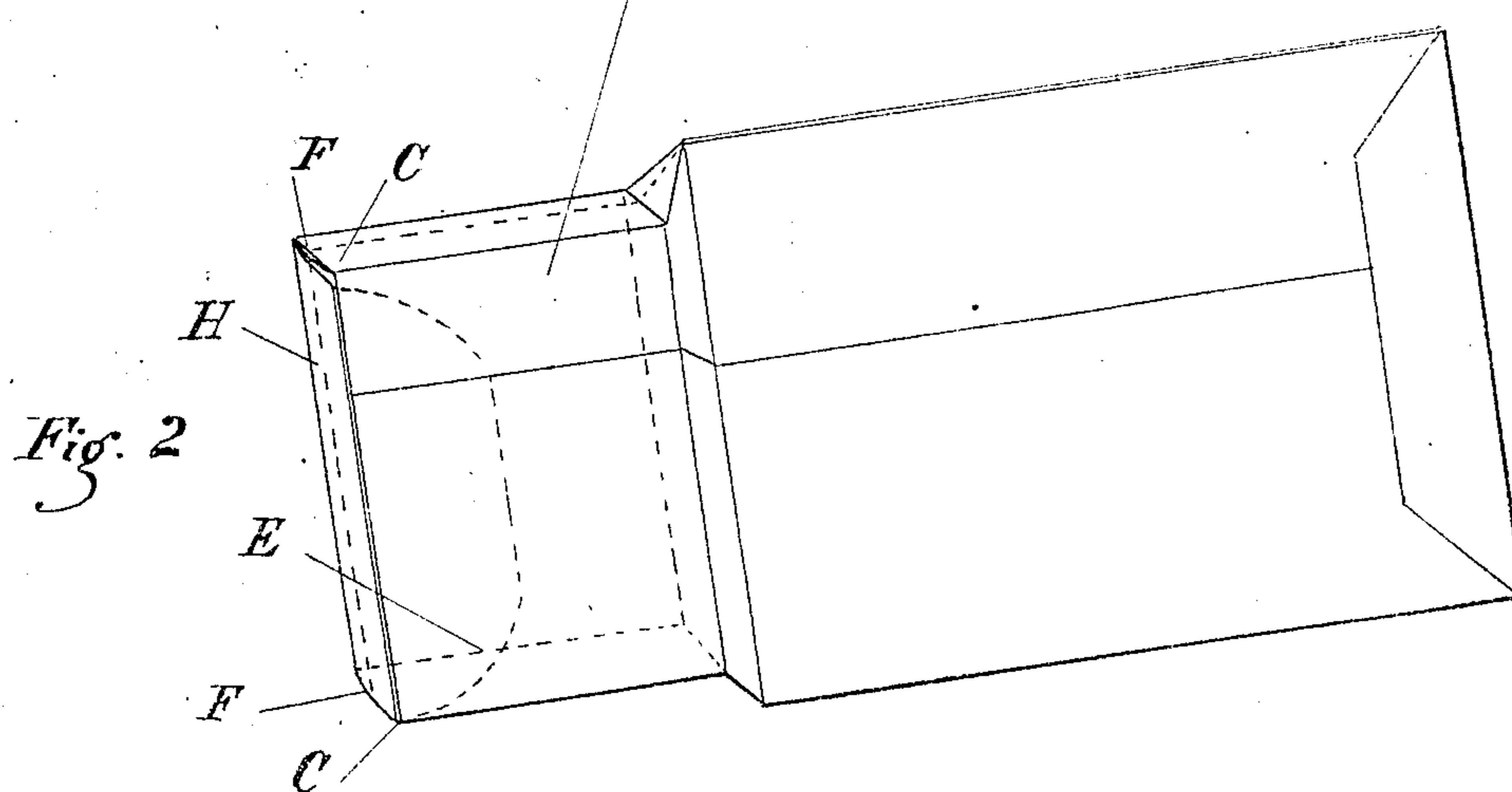


Fig. 2

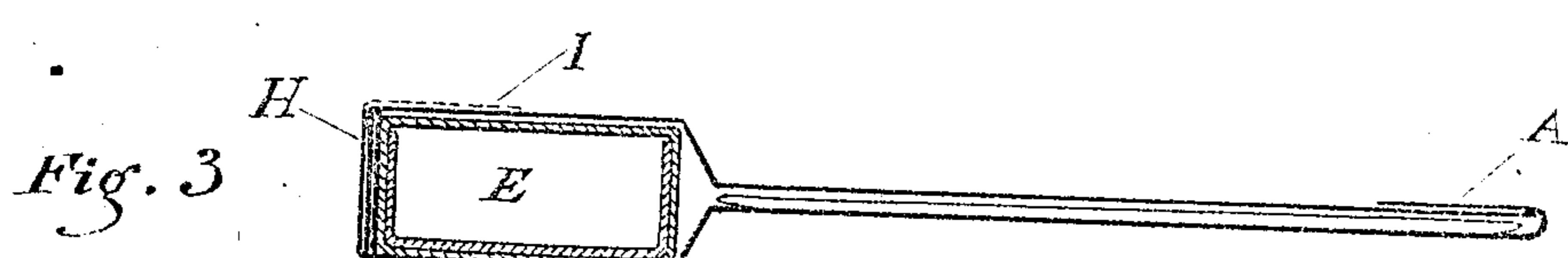


Fig. 3

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, OLIVER C. SWEET, a citizen of the United States, residing at Watertown, in the county of Jefferson and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pocket-Envelops; and I do hereby 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.

My present invention relates to improvements in that class of envelops wherein a pocket or receptacle for holding articles of merchandise, etc., is combined with the main flat portion of the envelop in such manner as to enable articles to be forwarded through the mails without liability of injury from the usual stamp canceling devices; the object of my present improvements being to provide an envelop of the character noted, which may be formed from a single envelop blank, the right hand portion whereof being adapted to receive a letter or circular of advice, and the left hand portion capable of being readily expanded in the shape of a rectangular box or receptacle to receive an article of merchandise.

A further object of my invention is to simplify the construction and lessen the cost of such envelops, as also to provide means whereby the contents of either the envelop or the receptacle for articles may be opened separately to allow of postal inspection, etc.

With these and other objects in view, which will readily appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists of the novel details of construction and general arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter fully described, illustrated and claimed.

My invention will be more fully understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein the same parts are indicated by like letters throughout the several views, and in which,

Figure 1 represents a plan view of my improved envelop. Fig. 2, a perspective view

of the same, with the left hand portion expanded in the shape of a rectangular box or receptacle, and Fig. 3 a vertical longitudinal section through the center of Fig. 2, showing a letter in the right hand portion, and a box in the left hand expanded portion of said envelop.

In carrying out my invention, the envelop, of any preferred size, is formed substantially in the manner shown in Fig. 1 with overlapping flaps at one or both ends as may be desired. The left hand side is provided with slits C, at suitable distances from the upper and lower edges of the envelop to form the short end flaps E, F, and side flaps G and H while creases or folds D, D, are provided, for a pre-determined size of the envelop, to reform the angles of the rectangular box or receptacle B, when in an expanded position, shown more fully in Fig. 2.

In the use or employment of my improved envelop, the letter of advice, invoice, or circular is inclosed in the right hand flat portion, and the flap A either sealed or tucked in as may be required. The folds or creases D, forming the box division or receptacle B at the left hand side, will readily assume the rectangular shape, from the usual normal flat position of the envelop, to receive the box F which holds the article of merchandise. The end flaps E, F are then closed inwardly upon the box E, and the side flaps G and H then folded over, one upon the other, and secured in position by their previously gummed edges. If deemed preferable, however, one of the side flaps G or H, may be provided with an extension flap I, whereby the receptacle may be closed by the usual metallic clasp, instead of sealing, to permit of postal inspection and also to provide ready means for return of the article of merchandise if desired.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and useful is—

1. In an article of manufacture, a single strip of paper of uniform width folded in the form of a paper bag, said bag at one end having slits C in direction of its length and being

creased at D, said slits and said creases constituting said end of the bag a box-blank, the other end of said bag being formed flat with an end flap and being adapted to receive a letter.

2. In an article of manufacture, a single strip of paper adapted to be formed into a bag, said bag being creased at one end to form a rectangular receptacle, the other end

being adapted to remain flat and to be closed by an integral flap.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses:

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