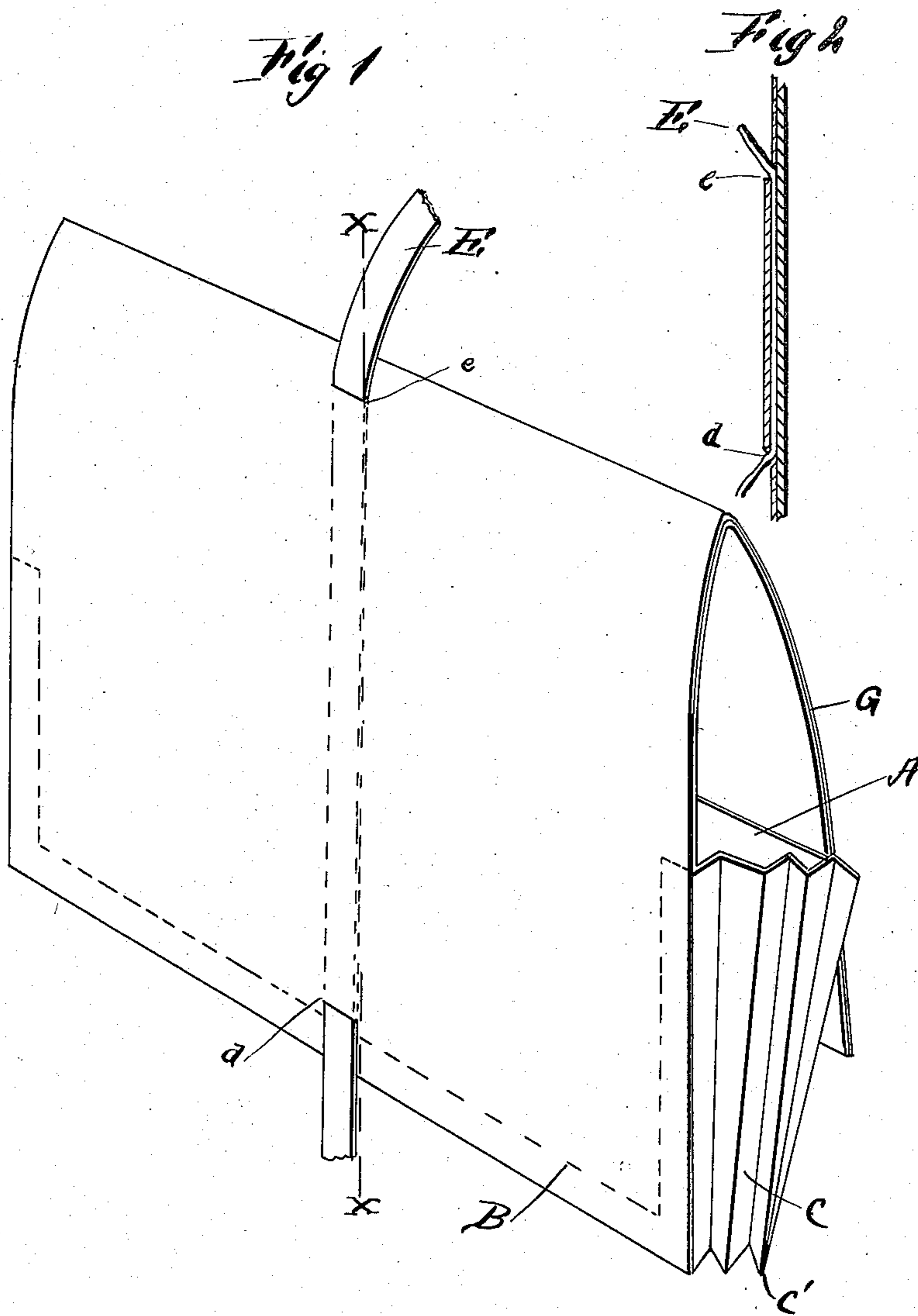


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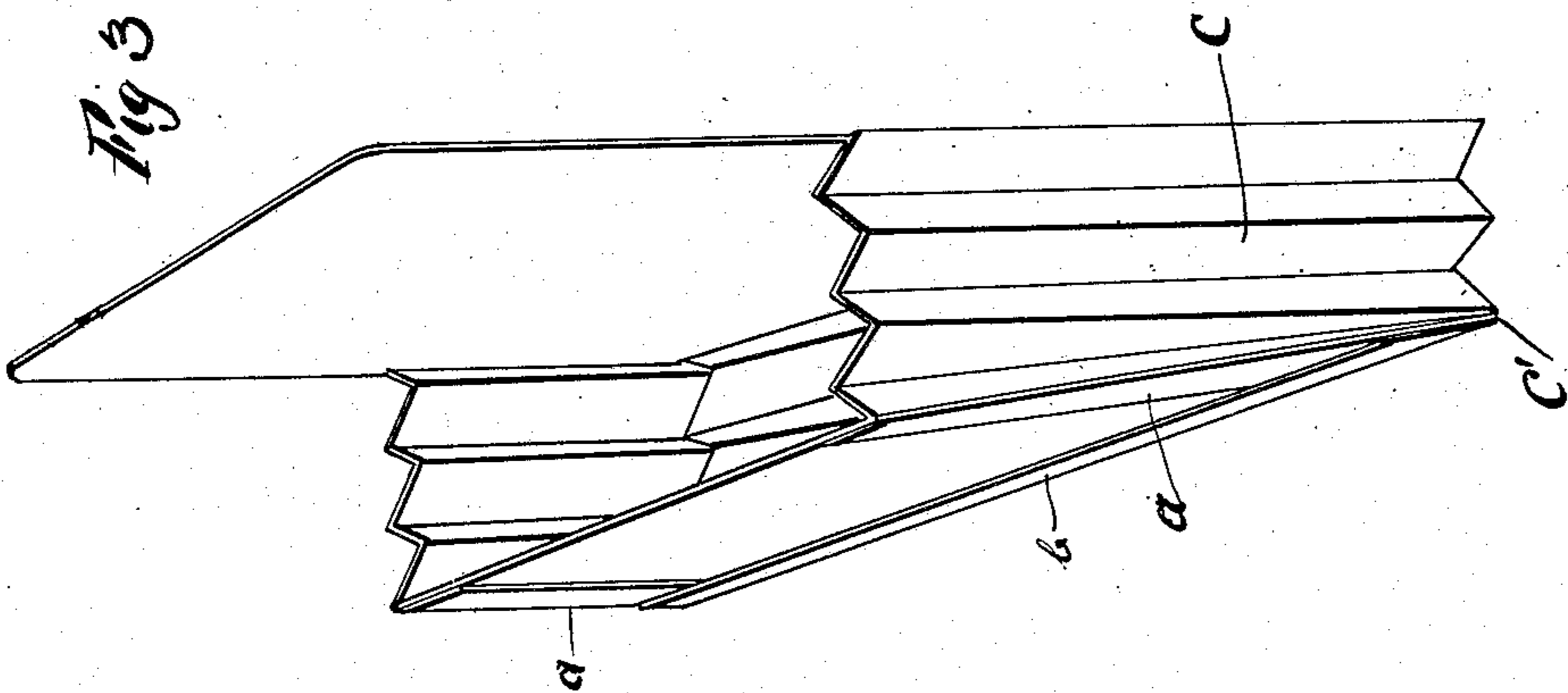
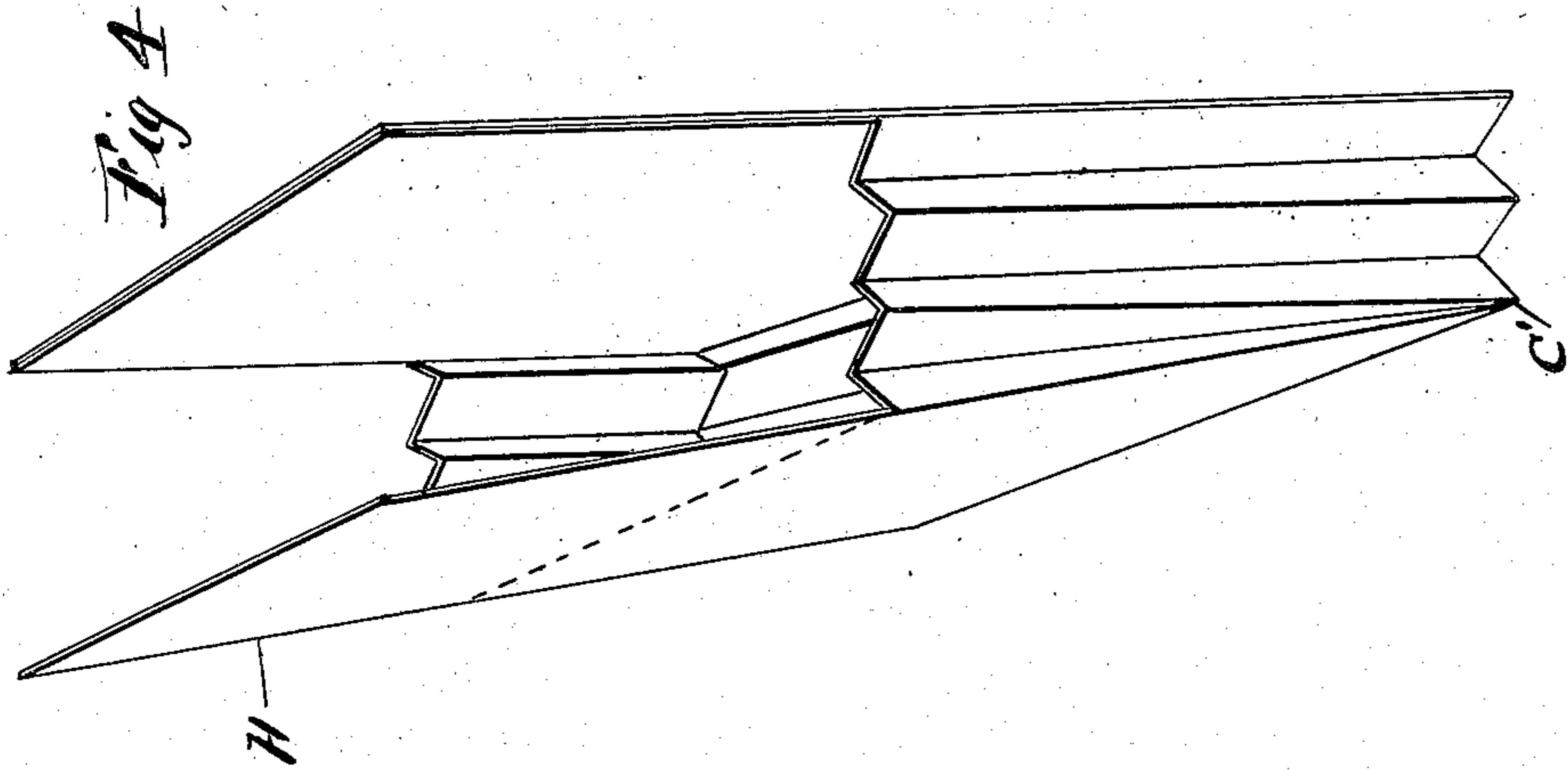
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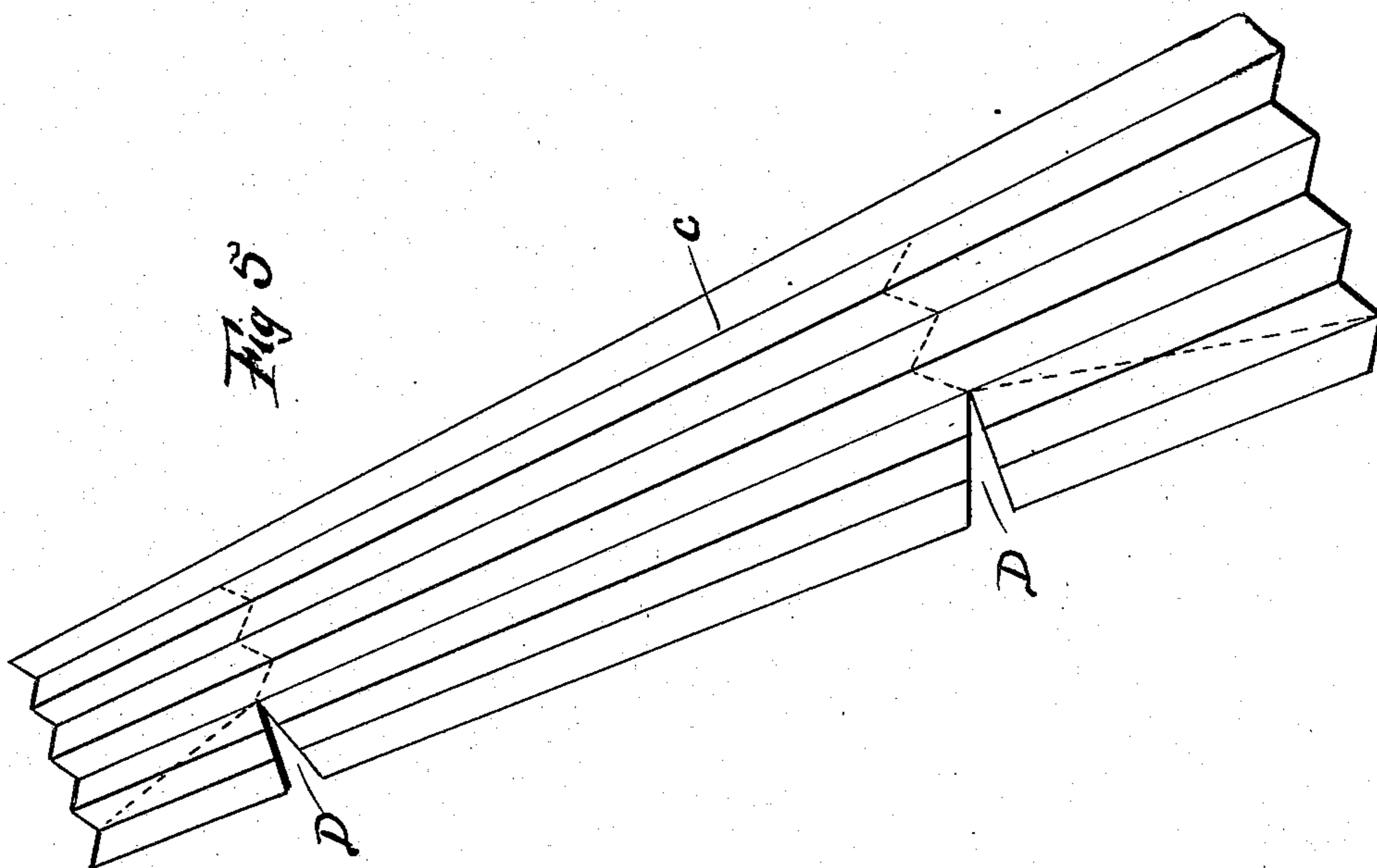
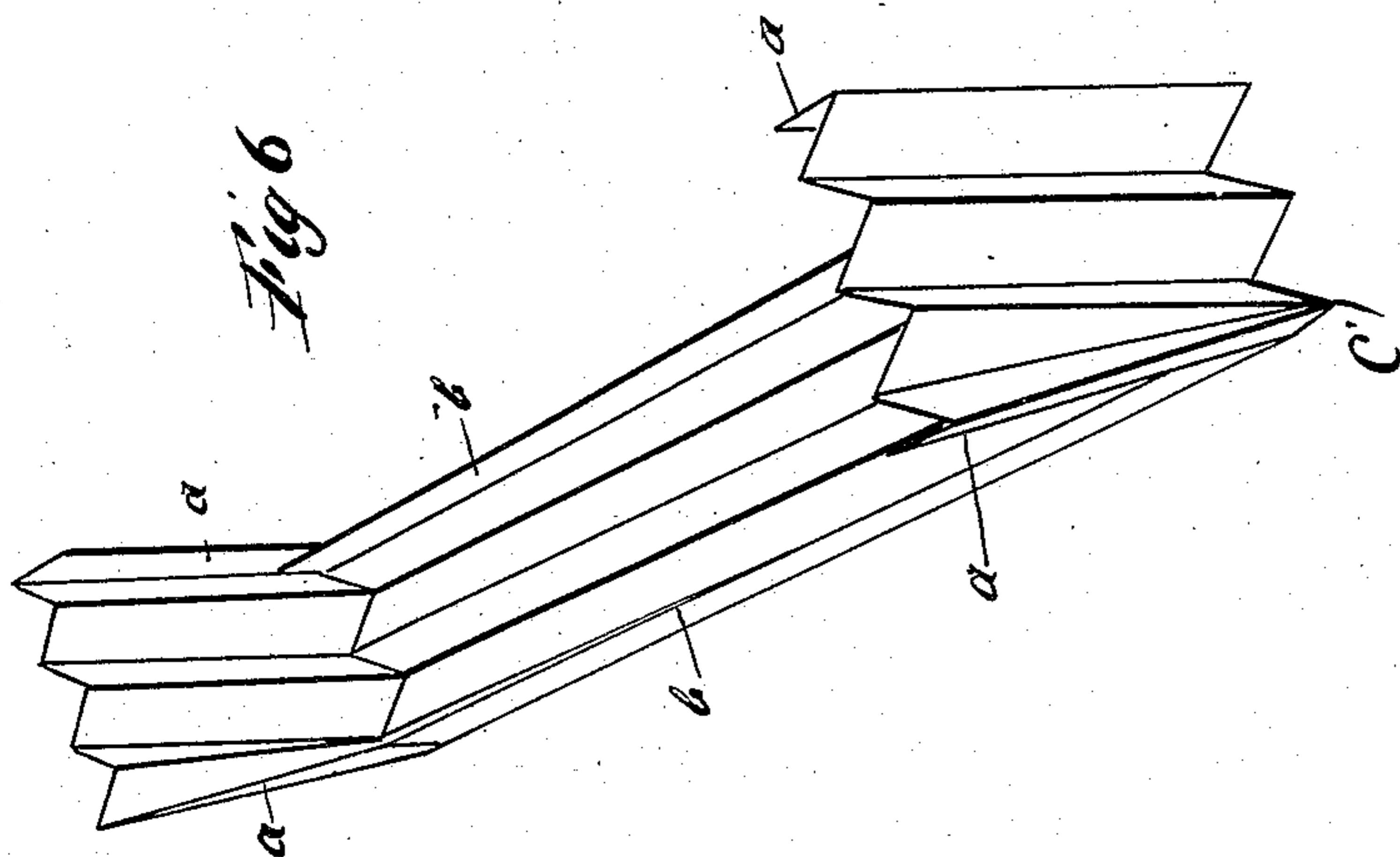
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALVAH BUSHNELL, JR., a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Envelops for Carrying or Filing Correspondence and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

10 My invention relates to a new and useful improvement in envelops for filing or carrying correspondence and the like, and has for its object to primarily so construct such an envelop that the end gussets will expand
15 greater at the top than at the bottom thus facilitating the inspection of the contents of the envelop.

A further object of my invention is to so secure a tape between the layers of the back
20 of the envelop as to prevent it from pulling out or having a tendency to tear the outer layer, and a still further object of my invention is to provide for the separation of the pocket of the envelop by a leaf or leaves,
25 or partition or partitions which are free to swing back and forth within the pocket in accommodating the contents thereof.

With these ends in view this invention consists in the details of construction and
30 combination of elements hereinafter set forth and then specifically designated by the claims.

In order that those skilled in the art to which this invention appertains may understand how to make and use the same I will describe its construction in detail, referring by letter to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification in which—

Figure 1, is a perspective of an envelop
40 made in accordance with my improvement. Fig. 2, a cross section at the back showing the manner of running the tape therein. Fig. 3, a perspective showing the envelop partly completed. Fig. 4, a similar view
45 showing a completed envelop of one style. Fig. 5, represents a scored and bent gusset before being applied to the envelop. Fig. 6, a perspective of the gusset after it is
50 folded into the position adapted for entering into the constructing of the envelop.

In carrying out my invention as shown in Figs. 1 to 6 inclusive, I form an expansible envelop with a front section A and back section B the two being connected by the gusset
55 C which latter consists of a single piece of

material scored as shown in Fig. 5 having the V-shaped cutaway portions D, and when this gusset is folded as shown in Fig. 6 and attached to the front and back sections it forms the bottom and end sections of the
60 envelop.

The front and back sections are each composed of two layers of material and in building up the envelop the gusset is pasted to the inner layers of each of these sections,
65 and to accomplish this the gusset is provided with the inturned ends *a* and *b*, the ends *a* being pasted upon the outer surfaces and along the end edges of the sections A and B while the ends *b* are likewise pasted upon
70 the outer surfaces along the bottom edges of said sections.

In order that the pocket of the envelop may have a greater expansion at the top than at the bottom one or more of the folds
75 upon each end of the gusset is confined at the bottom by the front end *b* in pasting the latter in the front section; this will limit the bottom of the envelop to an expansion less than the expansion at the top; according
80 ing to the amount confined by the front end *b*, while the top will be free to expand the full width of the gusset thus producing a very desirable result namely, permitting the free access to the top of the pocket of the
85 envelop and the easy examination of the contents thereof, without the necessity of removal. While the allowance for the extra amount of expansion at the top could be
90 made at either the front or back or at both, it will generally suffice to have it adjacent to the front of the envelop, as the usual desire is to tilt the front forward to examine the contents. To complete the envelop a
95 layer of material is pasted upon the outer surface of both the front and back sections, thereby covering the ends of the gusset and strengthening the front and back sections.

In order that the envelop may be tied up for filing away, it is advantageous to permanently attach a tape thereto but heretofore the attachment of such a tape has been
100 of such a character as to render it liable to be pulled off or to tear the envelop, this I overcome by slotting the outer layer of material of the back section as indicated at *d*
105 and *e* and passing the tape E through these slots so that when the outer layer is pasted to the back section the ends of the tape will project so as to utilize for tying up the en-
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velop. By thus extending the tape entirely through the back section it cannot be readily pulled out and the tendency to tear the envelop is eliminated.

5 As shown in Fig. 1 the back section may extend so as to form the flap G or as shown in Figs. 3 and 4 this extended flap may be omitted and the upper portion of the back may be utilized as a flap for folding down
10 over the front section, and also the outer layer of the front section may be extended so as to form a secondary flap H adapted to fold down upon the face of the envelop.

15 Of course I do not wish to be limited to the exact details of construction here shown as these may be varied within certain limits without departing from the spirit of my invention.

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

1. An envelop consisting of gusset portions having inturned edges, said edges being pasted between two layers of the front and back sections of the envelop, and a tape
25 passed through the outer layer of the back

section, its ends projecting for tying up the envelop, as specified.

2. In an envelop, a front section, a back section, both of said sections being composed of two layers of material pasted together, a
30 gusset folded so as to form the bottom and ends of the envelop, inturned ends formed upon the gusset, said gusset being so pasted between the layers of the front and back sections as to confine one or more folds of
35 said gusset at the bottom of the pocket, as and for the purpose set forth.

3. In an envelop of the character described, a back section formed of two layers and a tape passed through slots in the outer
40 layer, the ends of said tape issuing in opposite directions and both being extended as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two
45 subscribing witnesses.

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