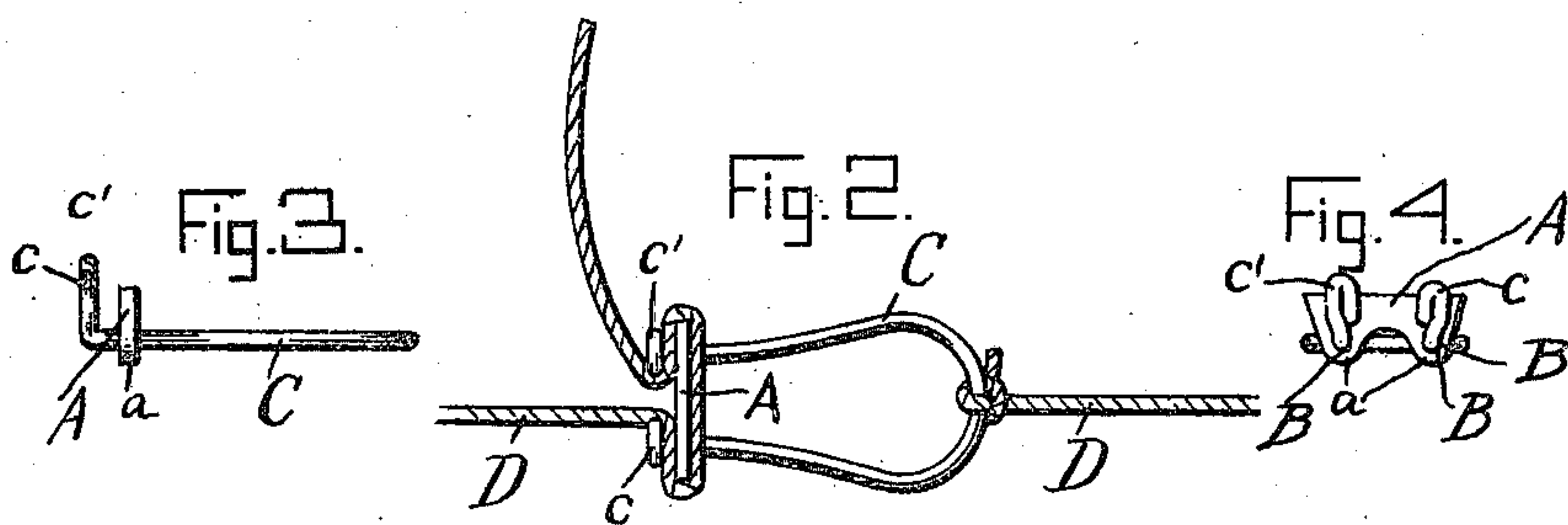
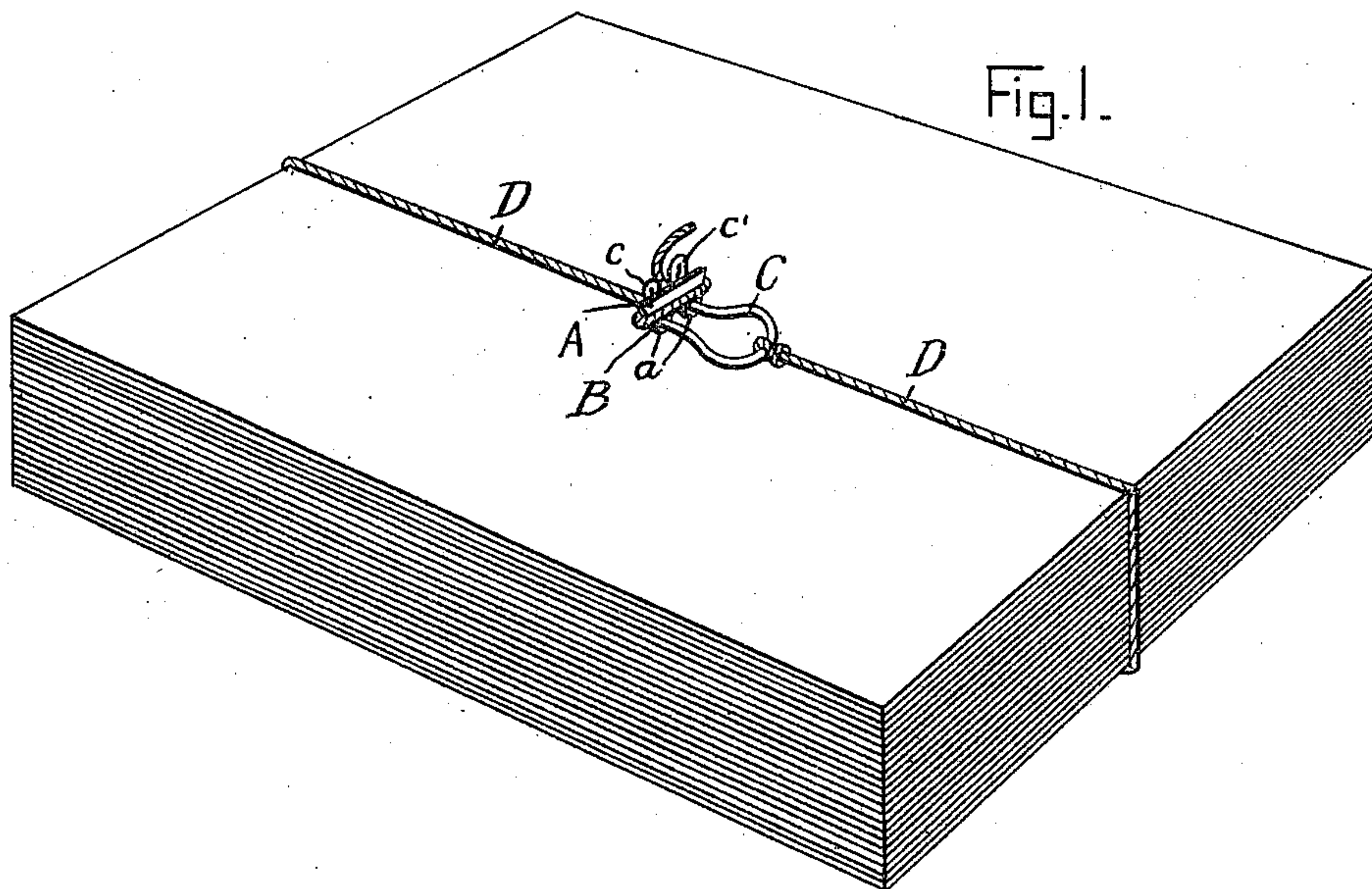


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN A. FOLLMAN, citizen of the United States, residing at York, in the county of Benson and State of North Dakota, have invented new and useful Improvements in Mail-Tying Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has relation to improvements in a device for tying together mail matter of various kinds for which it may be adapted, and the object of the invention is to improve and simplify the construction of this class of devices over the existing prior state of the art, and the invention consists in the novel construction and combination of parts as will be hereinafter more in detail described and the asserted novelty specifically claimed.

I have fully and clearly illustrated my invention in the accompanying drawings in which:

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my invention as applied to a package of mail matter. Fig. 2 is a top or plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side view, and Fig. 4 a front view thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings: A designates a horizontal metallic plate, the lower portion of which is provided with downwardly projecting lugs *a, a*, said lugs having perforations B, B formed therein.

C designates a loop formed of a single piece of wire and slightly tapering in form, the free ends *c, c'* of which are projected through the perforations B, B in the lugs *a, a* of the plate A, and are then bent upwardly, downwardly and against the upwardly bent portion of the body of the loop, one of the free ends of the loop being a little higher than the other end and the other free end extending a little lower, the plate A being loosely disposed upon the tapering end or narrow portion of said loop as more clearly shown in Figs. 2 and 4 of the drawings.

D designates a cord of suitable length with which the mail matter is fastened together, one of the ends of said cord being firmly and permanently secured to the larger portion of the loop, the opposite or free end of which is carried between the upwardly turned ends of the loop and around one end of the plate, and thence parallel therewith to the opposite end of said plate and around the end of same, and then out between the upturned ends *c, c'* of the loop, this portion of the cord being carried out in an opposite direction to that portion of the device in which the cord is first entered in tying.

By the construction of a device as herein shown and described it will be obvious that less time will be consumed in packaging mail matter than would be the case in other devices heretofore in use, and when it becomes necessary for untying the matter the same cords for binding the matter up can be again used indefinitely until worn out, thus saving the expenditure of a great deal of money for cord tying up mail matter or packages of any kind which in the ordinary manner would be more expensive.

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

The combination with a plate having perforated lugs formed integral therewith upon its lower edge, a wire forming a V-shaped loop the free ends of the loop passed through said perforations in the plate, and bent upwardly and downwardly providing a space between the bent free ends of the loop and plate, a cord seated in said space and interposed between the bent ends of the loop and plate and passed around the plate and between the bent ends of the loop substantially as described.

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

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