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FILING ENVELOPE

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FIG. 1

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FIG. 2

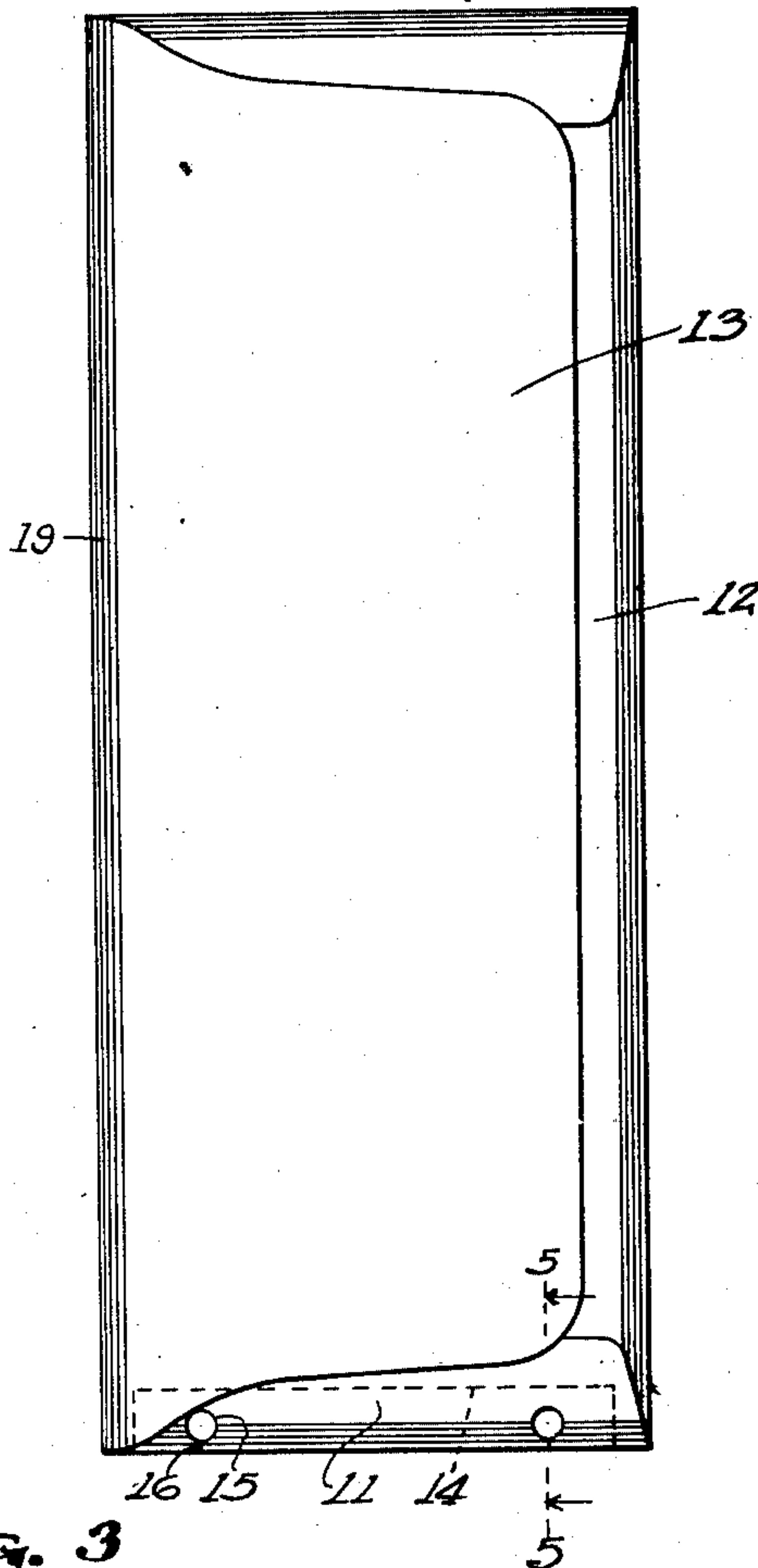


FIG. 3

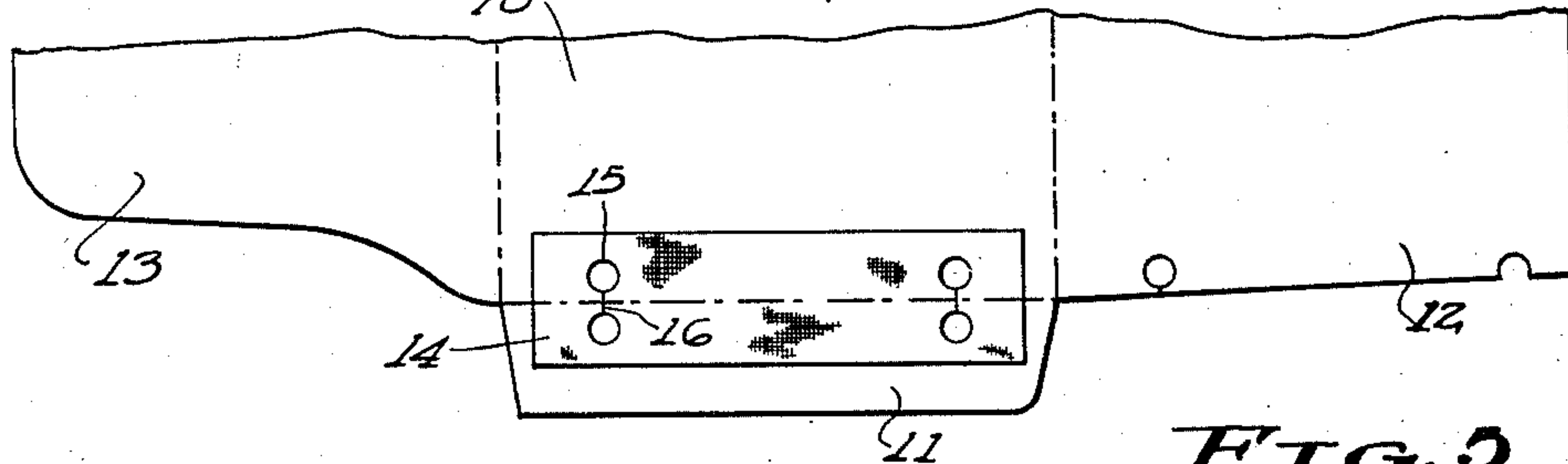


FIG. 4

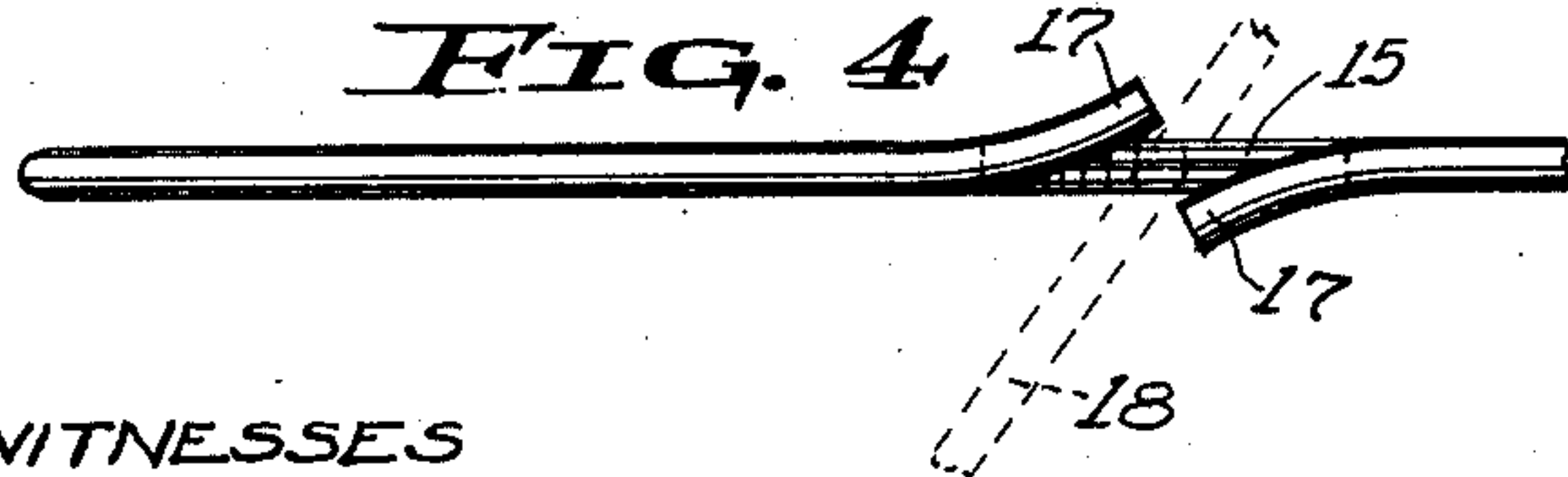
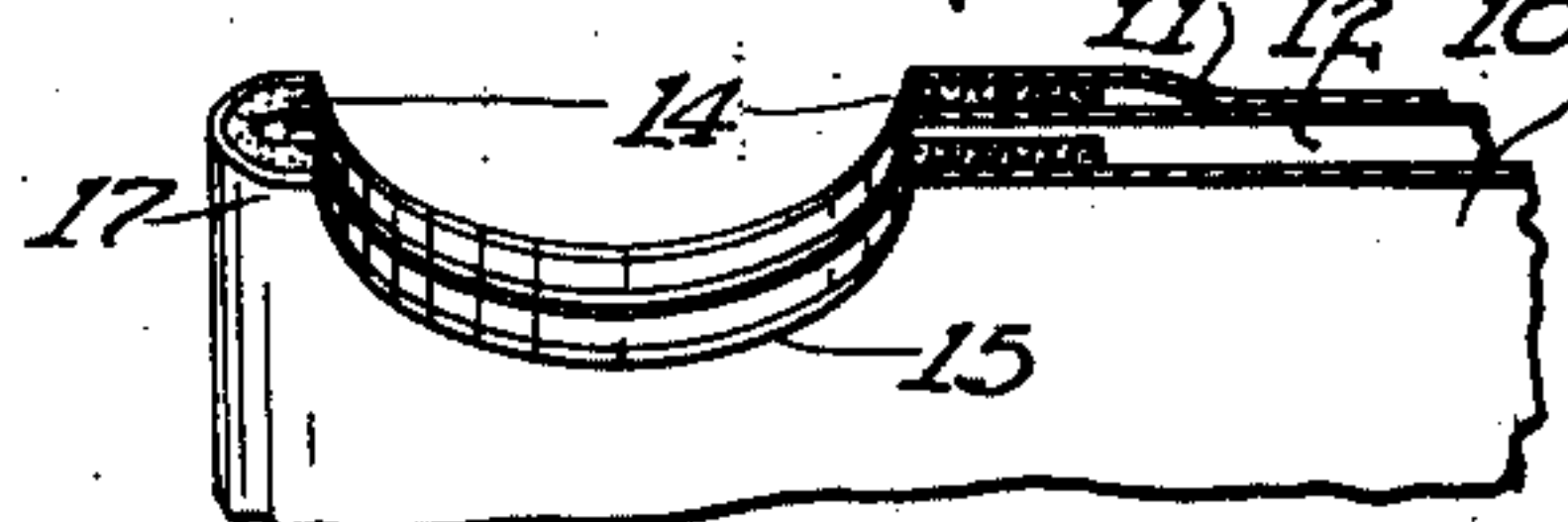


FIG. 5



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The invention relates to filing envelopes and the like, and has for an object the provision of an envelope which is apertured and slitted at a doubled edge portion for detach-
5 able connection with the retaining members of a cover, and which is so constructed that the apertures therein can be placed close to the edge of the envelope without danger of tearing the envelope.

10 Another object of the invention is to provide a filing envelope of this character in which a folded fabric strip is secured within the envelope at a folded edge portion thereof to form with the material of the en-
15 velope relatively firm lateral displaceable tongues at each slit.

The invention further consists in the several features hereinafter set forth and more particularly defined by the annexed claims.

20 In the accompanying drawings, Fig. 1 is a front view of a filing envelope embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is a rear view of the envelope;

25 Fig. 3 is a fragmentary development view of the envelope;

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary edge view of the envelope showing the tongues displaced for receiving a retaining member into the aper-
30 ture, and

Fig. 5 is a detail perspective sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 2.

In these drawings, the numeral 10 designates the body portion of an envelope to which are integrally connected folded end
35 flaps 11, a side flap 12, and a closure flap 13, the end flaps 11 overlapping the side flap 12 and being secured thereto by a suitable adhesive. A strip of firm woven fabric 14 is pasted to the inner face of the envelope
40 blank along and adjacent an end flap 11 to overlie the creasing line, as seen in Fig. 3, so that when the flap is folded the fabric strip will be doubled within an end of the envelope.

45 After the envelope is folded, openings 15 are punched in the end portion of the envelope and pass through the body portion 10, the end flap 11, the folded parts of the fabric strip 14, and also through the side
50 flap 12. A short slit 16 is cut in the envelope

between each opening 15 and the adjacent edge of the envelope to define the end portions of relatively firm resilient tongues 17 which are practically in engagement at their adjacent free ends. The tongues 17 can be
55 laterally displaced in opposite directions, as seen in Fig. 4, to admit a thong 18 or other retaining member of a cover or binder within which several of the envelopes may be assembled. After the thong 18 is admitted
60 the tongues 17 spring back to their aligned position with their ends in close juxtaposition. Upon an outward pull of the envelope with respect to the thongs 18, the tongues
65 17, being relatively firm and strong, will resist the pressure of the thongs and thus prevent accidental passage of the thongs through the slits, or the tearing of the envelope adjacent the openings.

By constructing the envelope in this man-
70 ner the openings 15 can be placed relatively close to the edge of the envelope, thereby increasing the interior envelope space available for any given length of envelope and also
75 facilitating the manipulation of the envelopes on their retaining thongs or other retaining members.

The marginal portions of each envelope may be provided with a colored band 19 which is preferably darker than the body of
80 the envelope, so that when the group of envelopes is assembled within a foldable cover, such as a valuable-paper wallet, the exposed edge portions of the envelopes will
85 present a uniform appearance. A suitable type of wallet for the envelopes is shown in my co-pending application for valuable-paper wallets, Serial No. 442,788, filed April
9, 1930.

While the openings 15 have been shown to
90 be formed in an end edge portion of the envelope it will be obvious that they could be formed in a side edge portion of the envelope.

What I claim as new and desire to secure
95 by Letters Patent is:

1. A filing envelope comprising a body portion having a folded flap, and a fabric strip secured to the inner face of said body
100 portion and said flap and folded in doubled

relation therewithin, there being a plurality of openings formed in the folded edge portion of the envelope and extending through said body portion and said flap and through the doubled portions of said fabric strip, and there being a slit formed between each opening and the adjacent edge of the envelope.

2. A filing envelope comprising a body portion having a folded flap, a strip of resilient material secured to the inner face of said body portion and said flap and folded in doubled relation therewithin to form a relatively firm edge portion of the envelope, there being a plurality of openings formed in the folded edge portion of the envelope and extending through said body portion and said flap and through the doubled portions of said strip, and there being a slit formed between each opening and the adjacent edge of said envelope to define the ends of a pair of firm narrow tongues adapted to be laterally displaced with respect to each other to admit a retaining member into said opening.

3. A loose-leaf element comprising a sheet having a doubled edge portion, and a fabric strip secured to said sheet along and within the folded edge portion and disposed in doubled relation within said folded edge portion, there being a plurality of openings formed in the folded edge portion of the sheet and extending through the doubled portions of said fabric strip, and there being a slit formed between each opening and the adjacent folded edge of the sheet to define the ends of a pair of narrow resilient tongues including portions of said fabric strip, said tongues being adapted for relative lateral displacement to admit a retaining member into the opening.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.
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