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Paper-Fastener and Card-Suspender.

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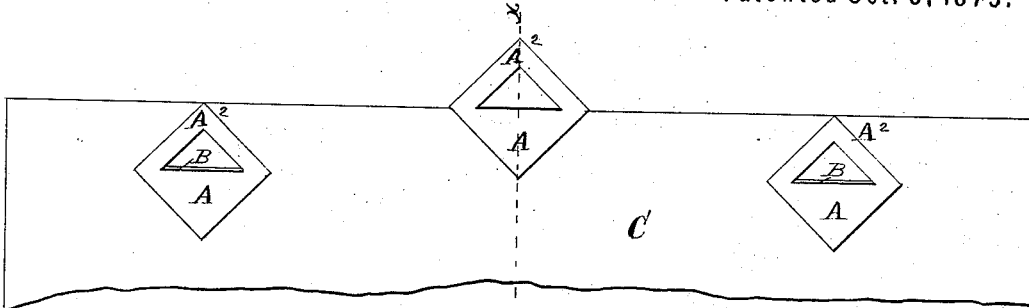


FIG. 1.

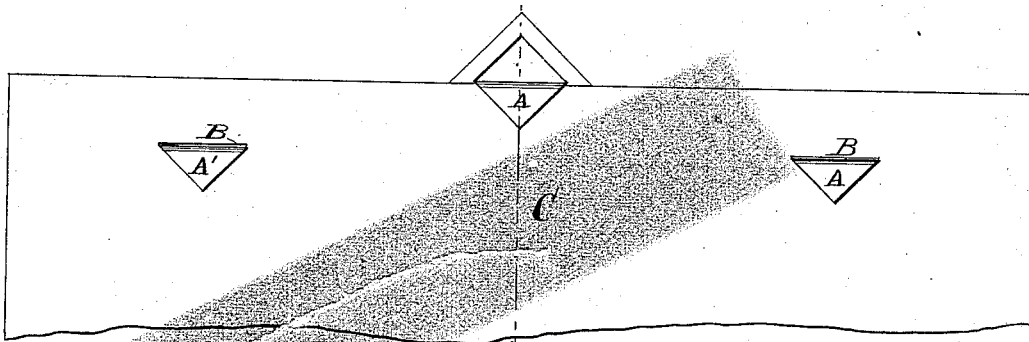


FIG. 2.

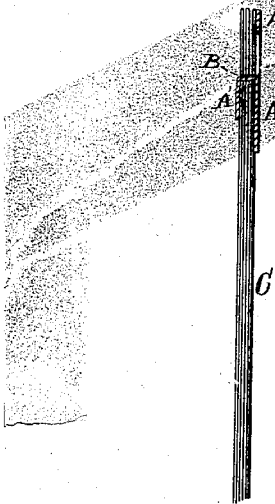


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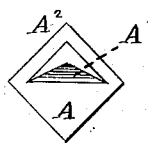


FIG. 4.

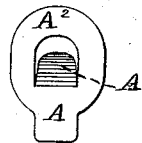


FIG. 5.

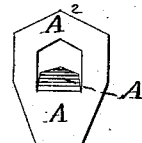


FIG. 6.

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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER-FASTENERS AND CARD-SUSPENDERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **168,536**, dated October 5, 1875; application filed September 12, 1874.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE K. SNOW, of Watertown, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Paper-Fastener and Card-Suspender, of which the following, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification:

My invention relates to a new article of manufacture to be used for securing together a series of detached or separate sheets of paper into a single connected package for convenience of preservation and reference, and also adapted to be applied to cards, pamphlets, and other light articles, as a means of hanging or suspending the same; and it consists in the formation, from cloth, parchment, leather, or other flexible material, of pieces cut to any desired exterior shape, either square, oblong, oval, or otherwise, with a slit cut around two or three sides of the central portion of one-half, so as to form a tongue attached at one side to the main piece, along which line of junction it is to be folded for use, said piece of flexible material being secured to the article upon which it is to be used by means of gum, glue, or other suitable adhesive material, which may be applied at the time of manufacturing or at the time of applying the device to use, as will be more particularly described.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents one form of my invention as applied to securing several sheets of paper together, and also as a means of hanging up or suspending said papers, if desired. Fig. 2 represents the opposite side of the same; and Fig. 3 is a transverse section, on line *x x* on Figs. 1 and 2. Figs. 4, 5, and 6 represent three different forms of my device, essentially the same in principle, and to be applied in the same manner.

A represents my improved paper-fastener and card-suspender, provided with the tongue A¹, formed by cutting a curved or angular slit through A, leaving the part A² connected to A, as shown.

These fasteners may be made of various exterior forms, and from various materials, such, for instance, as linen or cotton cloth, parchment, thin leather, or any flexible material of

sufficient strength that is susceptible of being secured firmly to paper by gum, glue, or other adhesive material.

I propose to cut the fasteners, by means of dies, from a sheet or web of suitable material, and sell them to the trade in packages of, say, one hundred or one thousand, either with or without coating one side thereof with gum or other adhesive material, though I prefer gumming the material in the sheet or web, and allowing it to dry before cutting out the fasteners.

The manner of applying my improved fasteners and card-suspenders is as follows: For the purpose of suspension of show-cards, calendars, and other articles, the gummed side of the fastener is moistened, and the part A is pressed upon the front of the card or other article to be suspended, and the tongue A¹ is folded over the edge of the card and made to adhere to the back side thereof, while the part A² projects beyond the edge of the card, and in the form of a loop, as seen in Figs. 1 and 2.

When used for the purpose of fastening together several sheets of paper, the sheets C are placed in position, one above another, in their proper order, and one or more slits, B B, are cut through the several sheets, at right angles to their surfaces, through each of which is passed one of the tongues A¹, which is secured by gum, paste, or other suitable adhesive material, to the back sheet of paper, while the parts A and A² are secured in like manner to the front sheet, or vice versa.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

A paper-fastener and card-suspender having tongue A¹ cut from its body and turned down, leaving the loop A², all formed from a single piece of cloth, leather, or other flexible material, susceptible of being secured to sheets of paper by means of gum, glue, or other adhesive material, all as and for the purpose described.

Executed at Boston, Massachusetts, this 8th day of September, 1874.

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