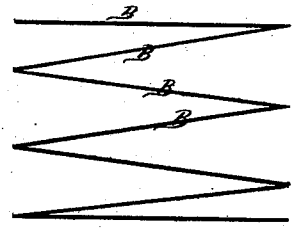
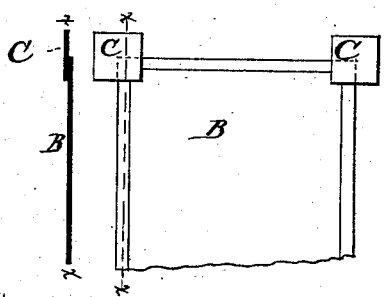
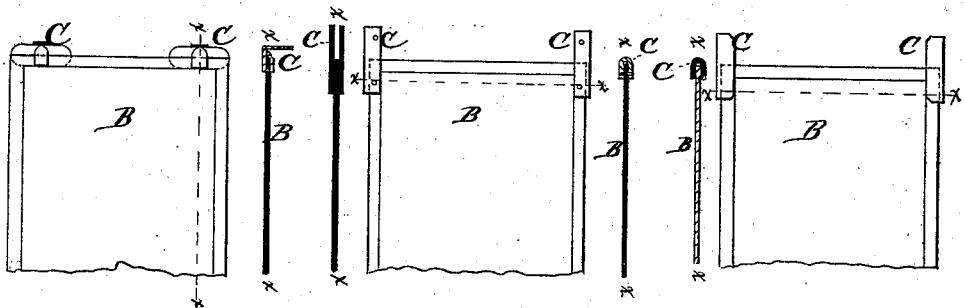
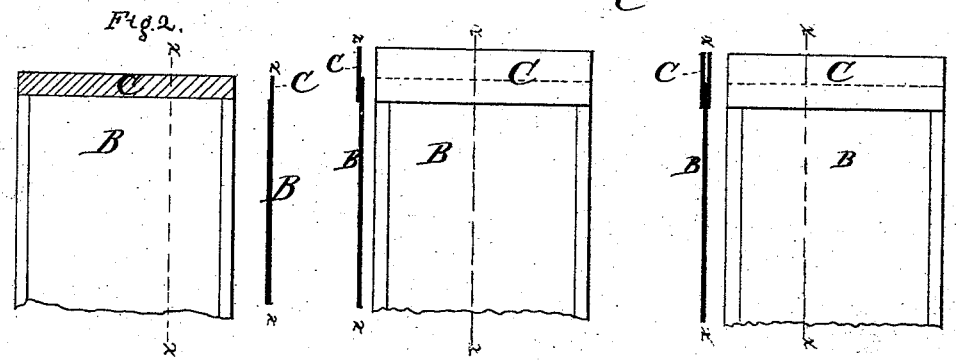
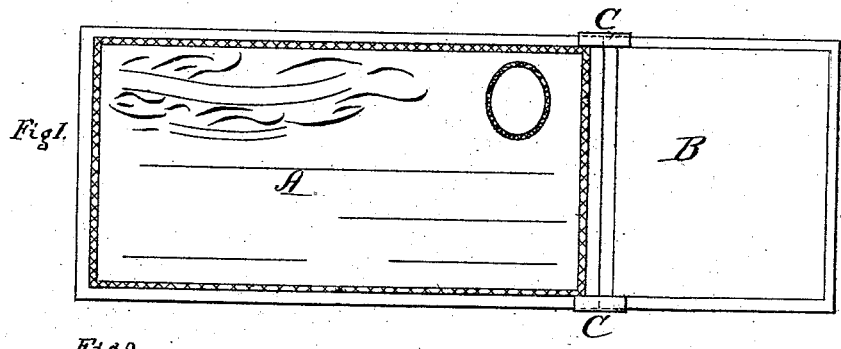


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IMPROVEMENT IN DEVICES FOR FACILITATING THE FILING OF POSTAL-CARDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER M. HITCHCOCK, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Device for Facilitating the Filing of Postal-Cards; 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improved device for facilitating the filing of postal-cards; and consists in providing an additional piece of card, paper, or other suitable material, which is attached to a postal-card by suitable clips, as hereinafter described, whereby the card is increased to a length suitable and convenient for filing.

In the drawings are shown, in Figure 1, a postal-card and piece attached, and in Fig. 2 a variety of methods whereby the said additional length may be attached to a postal-card.

Postal-cards are so short that it is very difficult to file them away with other papers. Moreover, they are generally so full of printed or written matter that it is difficult to find a place or space upon which to indorse the card properly before filing away.

The object of my invention is to increase the length of the card, so that it shall be of a suitable length to be conveniently filed away with other letters, and, at the same time, to provide a place upon which the proper indorsement can be made.

A is a postal-card. B is an additional length, whereby the said card is made of a suitable length for filing away. C are clips of any suitable form, either metallic or paper, or of any other character whereby the extra length can be quickly and conveniently adjusted and secured to the end of a postal-card. The said clips C may be made to either embrace the outer edges of the card and the extra length, whereby, by pinching the said clips together between the thumb and the finger, the two are securely united, or the said clip may be similarly located and be formed of paper or other material, one side of which is covered with paste, and the card and extra length may then be readily united by moistening the pasted surface and crimping it

around the edges of the two pieces A and B; or the end of the extra length may be halved, and the exposed surface provided with paste, whereby it can be readily moistened and secured to a postal-card; or the said union may be effected by suitable clips, placed intermediate between the two edges, so as to leave the edges smooth and not liable to catch in drawing out from the file; or any other of the various or obvious forms of metallic paper or other clips may be employed, the object being to form a simple and effective connection of the piece B to the card A, whereby its length is increased to a suitable length for filing away. One or both sides of the said piece B may be plain, or they may be provided with suitable blanks to facilitate filing away, upon which the necessary indorsements can be made or filled in.

I desire it understood that I do not limit myself to any particular form or style of clip, nor do I limit myself to any particular form or style of the additional length B. The said extra length B may be prepared in any suitable manner—that is, it may be put up in packages of separate cards; or they may be manufactured substantially as shown in the drawings, whereby they may be folded upon each other, and thereby be in the form of a number of cards or extra lengths in a single piece, which may be detached as required for use; or they may be put up in suitable form, as in sheets, for instance; but

What I do claim is—

1. The combination, with the extra length B, of suitable clips or fastenings C, whereby the said piece B may be readily attached to a postal-card, and the postal-card thereby be made of suitable size for filing, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. As an article of manufacture, piece B, provided with suitable clips C, whereby it can be readily attached to a postal-card, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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