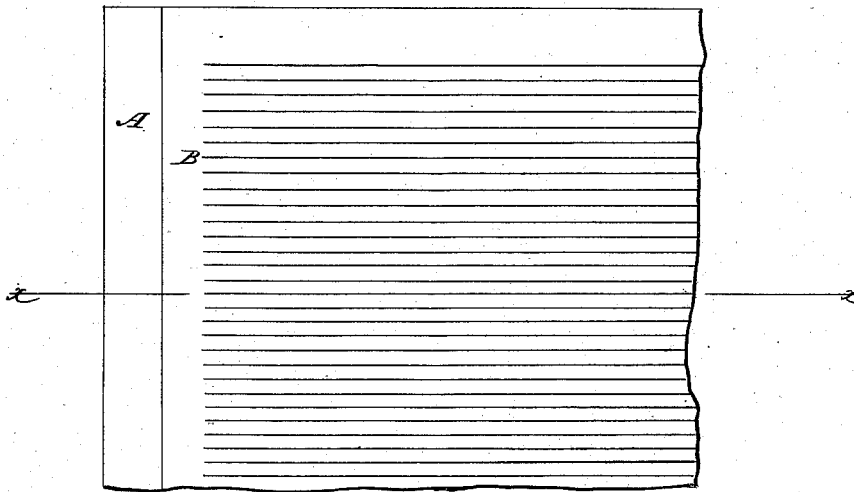


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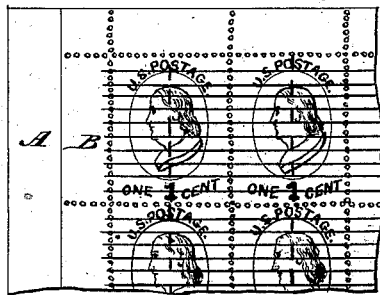
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN POSTAGE OR REVENUE STAMPS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, DAVID GREENLEAF BEAUMONT, of Austin, in the county of Travis, and State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Postage and Revenue Stamps, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 represents a piece of the prepared paper before the stamps have been printed upon it. Fig. 2 is a section of the same taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 represents the same after it has been printed and punctured.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish postage and revenue stamps which shall be so constructed that they cannot be used a second time, and which may be used as conveniently as stamps made in the usual way.

The invention consists in postage and revenue stamps printed upon paper having parallel incisions formed in it, and which is pasted to the paper to which the mucilage is applied, as hereinafter fully described.

The stamps are made of two thicknesses of paper, the lower one, A, to which the mucilage is applied, and the upper one, B, upon which the stamps are printed. The paper B

has incisions cut in and across it, parallel with each other, and at suitable distances apart. The paper B is then laid smoothly upon the paper A, and the two are secured together with mucilage. The stamps are printed upon the paper thus prepared, and the paper is then punctured between and around the stamps in the usual way. The paper B may also have incisions formed in it through the body of the stamps, and at right angles with the main incisions.

With this construction it will be impossible to remove the canceling-ink without mutilating the stamps so that they cannot be again used.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

A postage or revenue stamp, composed of two superposed sheets or layers, A B, the top layer carrying the printed designs, having parallel incisions therein, and the bottom layer being provided with adhesive material on the back, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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