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Paper-Bag.

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Fig. 1.

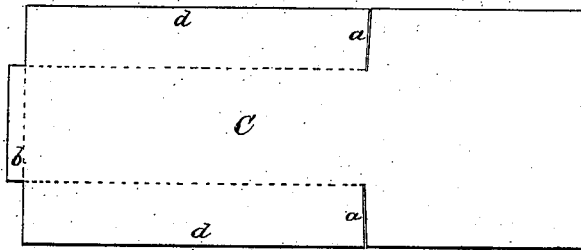
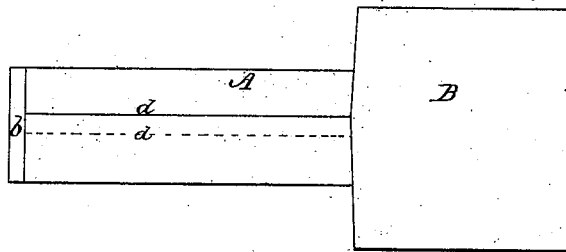


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER BAGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NEWTON J. ALEXANDER, of Austin, in the county of Travis and State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper Bags; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention is particularly adapted for druggists' use, but may be advantageously employed by grocers and other merchants in putting up articles which consist of loose separated parts or particles.

My improved bag has a broad extension or flap formed in one piece with its body. The bag is constructed or formed from an oblong rectangular blank having opposite side slits, as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a plan view of the blank from which the bag is formed. Fig. 2 is a side view of the bag.

A indicates the bag proper, and B the flap or extension thereof.

For economy of manufacture, the bag and flap are formed from the same blank C, Fig. 1, which is of oblong rectangular shape. The blank is cut or slitted from each side at *a*, at a point about two-thirds of the length of the blank from that end *b* of the latter which

is subsequently folded to form the bottom of the bag. After the blank has been cut in this manner the side flaps *d d* are suitably pasted, folded inward, lapped, and pressed together. The bottom *b* is then pasted and folded, which completes the bag.

In practical use the powder or other substance to be put up is deposited on the flap, and the bag may be held in the hand in such manner that slight compression of its sides, near its upper end, will cause the flap to assume a concave or trough-like form, so that it will prevent the powder from being spilled and guide it safely into the bag proper. The flap is then torn or cut off and the mouth of the bag closed in the usual way.

I am aware letter-envelopes have been provided with a flap extending laterally beyond the ends thereof, and formed in one piece with it.

What I claim is—

The oblong rectangular blank for a paper bag for druggists' use, the same having slits *a* at opposite points in its parallel sides, and the end projection *b*, as shown and described.

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