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Paper-Pouch.

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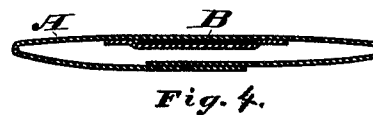
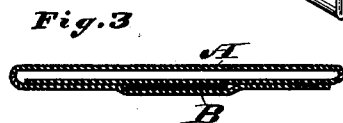
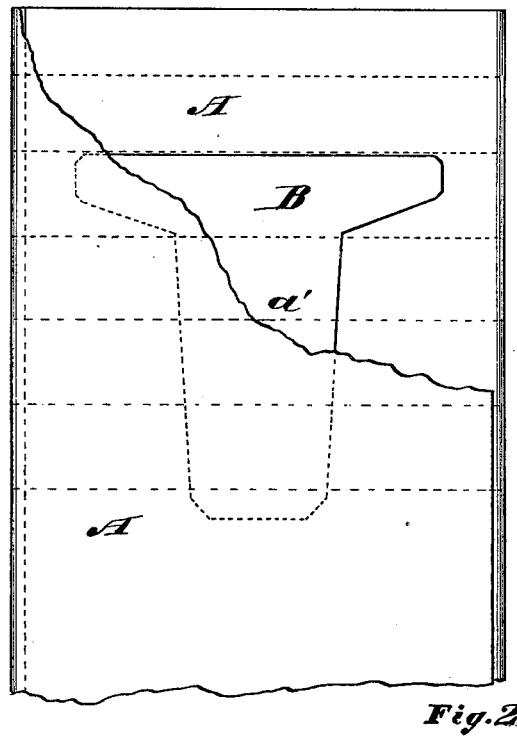
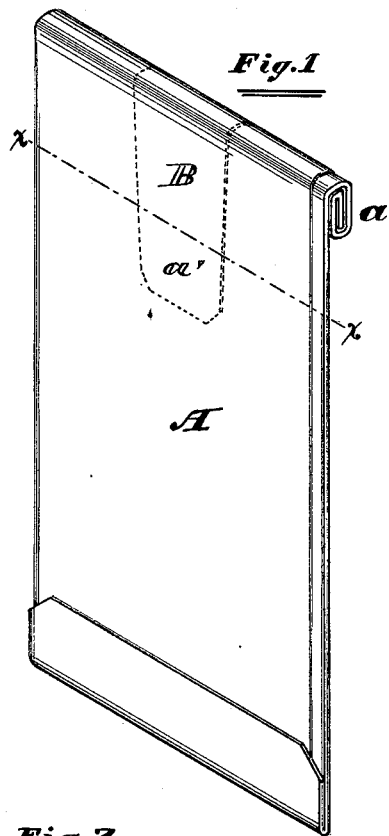
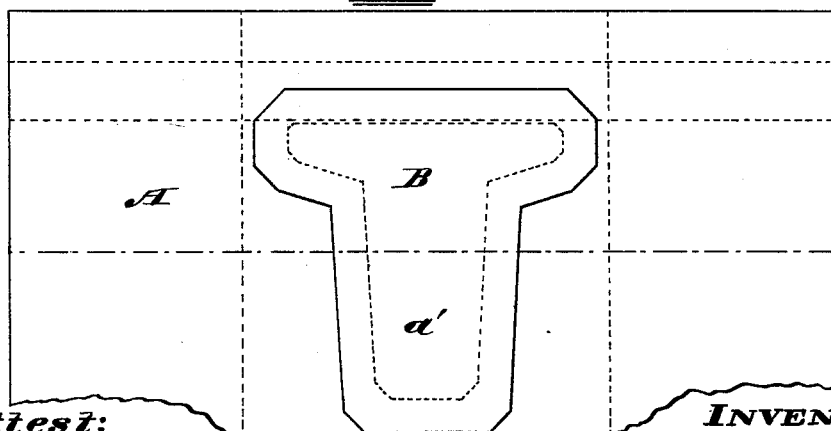


Fig. 5



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER POUCHES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES H. WEAVER, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Pouches, of which the following, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a pouch embodying my invention; Fig. 2, a side view of the same, a part thereof being broken away to show the flexible metallic part; Fig. 3, a section in the plane of the line *xx*, Fig. 1; Fig. 4, a like representation, showing a modification of construction; and Fig. 5, a plan view of the unfolded blank.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts.

A represents a small paper packet or pouch, made in any suitable way, and open at one end. B is a flexible metallic piece attached to one side of the pouch and arranged near the mouth or open end thereof.

I intend this pouch for use in the following manner: When the pouch is filled, for example, with chewing-tobacco, I fold the mouth or open end of the pouch upon itself until the upper end of the piece B is thus folded in, as represented at *a*, Fig. 1. By this means the mouth is kept closed securely, but may be easily opened by unfolding or unrolling the parts folded or rolled together in closing it, it being understood that the part B is long enough to admit of this result.

As the tobacco is used and diminished in quantity, the open end or mouth of the pouch may be folded in like manner upon that which remains, so that the tobacco, when only a small amount remains, will be as closely or as tightly inclosed as when the pouch was first filled, thus keeping the tobacco from being shaken about in the pouch and from being crumbled or broken up.

I deem it preferable to make the part B T-shaped, as shown, and to arrange the lateral

arms of the T near the mouth, thus leaving a comparatively slender tongue, *a'*, to extend toward the bottom or lower end of the pouch. I also deem it best to connect the part B to the pouch by making the blank for the latter about three times the width of the completed pouch, and by arranging the part B between the lateral wings of the blank, which are folded upon each other in making the pouch, it being understood that these wings are gummed together, all of which is clearly indicated in Fig. 3.

The part B, however, may be held in place by means of a separate piece of paper pasted over it, as represented in Fig. 4. Also, by making the upper end of the part B as broad or nearly as broad as the mouth of the pouch, the latter will be securely closed, while economy and lightness result by making the remaining or lower part of the metallic part B narrow or slender.

The pouch may also be made of muslin or other suitable material.

I have elsewhere shown and described an envelope or packet containing a flexible metallic stiffening-strip in a tongue or flap, and also fastening-strips containing such a stiffening in one end, and also a package consisting of a layer of metal and a layer of paper, both of or nearly of the same size, and folded together, and I do not therefore here intend to claim such; but,

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

A pouch provided on its body with the flexible metallic T-shaped piece B, arranged substantially as described with reference to the mouth of the pouch, for the purposes specified.

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