

(No Model.)

H. H. CABOT.  
PAPER FASTENER.

No. 526,855.

Patented Oct. 2, 1894.

Fig. 1.

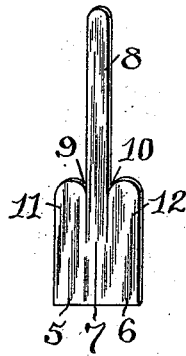
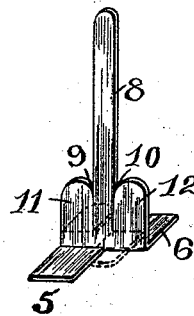


Fig. 2.



**WITNESSES:**

*W. Pick*

*W. L. Mahoney*

**INVENTOR:**

*Harry H. Cabot*  
*by Joseph A. Miller & Co. Attys.*

# UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE;

HARRY H. CABOT, OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND.

## PAPER-FASTENER.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 526,855, dated October 2, 1894.

Application filed May 28, 1894. Serial No. 512,770. (No model.)

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HARRY H. CABOT, of Bristol, in the county of Bristol and State of Rhode Island, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper-Fasteners; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention has reference to improvements in devices which are adapted to secure several sheets of paper, &c., together, and to secure articles to the layer or layers of paper.

One object of the invention is to provide a simple and durable paper-fastener which can be produced at a small cost.

Another object of the invention is to produce a new and improved paper-fastener by means of which articles may be secured to the paper.

The invention consists in a sheet-metal paper-fastener having lower clamping-arms separated by a vertical slit and located edge to edge, upper clamping-arms of less diameter than the lower arms, and a central securing-arm longer than the upper arms and extending down to the upper end of the slit dividing the lower arms.

The invention likewise consists in such other novel features of construction and combination of parts as may hereinafter be more fully described and pointed out in the claim.

Figure 1 represents a view of the improved paper fastener and securing device. Fig. 2 represents a view of the same showing the manner of fastening to a paper or other flat article.

Similar numbers of reference designate corresponding parts throughout.

In carrying my invention into practice I form a paper-fastener and securing device from a sheet-metal strip which I divide for a short portion of its length by a central slit. At the opposite end the diameter of the strip is reduced so as to leave a central tongue extending therefrom. I now divide this end of the strip into three parts by slits extending in lines with the edges of the central tongue and to a distance slightly beyond the end of the central tongue at the opposite end of the strip.

In the drawings 5 and 6 represent the base arms of the paper-fastener which are separated by a slit 7 and are preferably of equal width. From the inner portion of each base arm the material extends upward to form the securing-tongue 8 which is separated by the slits 9 and 10 from the upper fastening arms 11 and 12, the slits 9 and 10 extending down to points opposite the upper end of the slit 7 so that the arms may be bent on this line. This device is designed not only for a paper-fastener by the use of the arms 5 and 6, and 9 and 10, but also serves as a device for securing articles to the paper or card to which it is attached by its fastening arms, the tongue 8 being of any convenient length for this purpose.

The paper fastener is secured in place to one or several sheets of paper or cards by first cutting a slit through the card or paper sufficiently long to allow the passage of the arms 11 and 12. The arms 5 and 6 are now bent at right angles with the main portion of the fastener, extending in opposite directions. The tongue 8 and the arms 11 and 12 are then passed through the slit in the paper and are bent down as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The article may now be secured to the card by bending the tongue 8 into the shape of a hook or by passing the tongue over the article and then through a slit previously cut in the paper, the tongue, in the process, being bent at its juncture with the arms 5 and 6.

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

A paper fastener consisting of a piece of sheet-metal having the base arms 5 and 6 separated by the slit 7, the securing-tongue extending from the metal above this slit, and the upper fastening-arms 10 and 11 separated from the tongue 8 by the slits 9 and 10 which extend downward to points opposite the upper end of the slit 7.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand.

HARRY H. CABOT.

Witnesses:

HENRY J. MILLER,  
M. F. BLIGH.